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**Testimony in Support of Senate Bill 809  
State Retirement and Pension System - Reemployment Earnings Offset – Clarification  
Senate Budget and Taxation Committee  
February 20, 2020  
8:30 A.M.**

**Anne Gawthrop  
Director of Legislative Affairs  
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The Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System wishes to express its support for Senate Bill 809, State Retirement and Pension System - Reemployment Earnings Offset - Clarification. Senate Bill 809 is legislation sponsored by the Joint Committee on Pensions at the request of the Board.

Each of the several systems, except the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System, include provisions that address the amount by which the Board may reduce a retiree's allowance when the retiree is subject to the reemployment earnings limitation. Specifically, these sections are intended to provide that a retiree's allowance may not be reduced to less than what is required to be deducted for the retiree's monthly State-approved medical insurance premiums. However, the existing provisions of law that address this particular issue are not a model of clarity. Senate Bill 809 makes clear how the earnings limitation in these plans should be applied in conjunction with the retiree's monthly State-approved medical insurance premiums.

Therefore, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, I would request a favorable report on Senate Bill 809.

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