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INTRODUCED BY Elan House BILL NO. 496

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING EMPLOYEES OF COUNTY HOSPITALS OR REST HOMES IN CERTAIN CLASSES OF COUNTIES TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTION 19-3-412, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 19-3-412, MCA, is amended to read:

"19-3-412. Optional membership. The following employees in covered employment may become members of the retirement system at their option at any time during their employment in a covered position by filing a membership card with the board:

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NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Fiscal Note for HB0496, as introduced

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act allowing employees of county hospitals or rest homes in certain classes of counties to become members of the Public Employees' Retirement System.

ASSUMPTIONS:

Department of Administration, Public Employees' Retirement Division:

1. This bill will have no fiscal impact to either the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) or the Public Employees' Retirement Division.

Department of Commerce, Local Government Assistance Division:

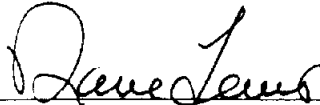
2. Some employees of county hospitals or rest homes in third, fourth, and fifth class counties will choose to become members of PERS. It is not known how many employees will elect not to be covered by PERS.
3. Employer contributions will remain at the current rate of 6.70% for those employees who choose coverage.
4. There is no fiscal impact to the Department of Commerce.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

The total cost or savings to the county is not determinable because it is dependent upon the number of eligible employees who will elect to be a member of the PERS.

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DAVE LEWIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR DATE
Office of Budget and Program Planning

GARY FELAND, PRIMARY SPONSOR DATE

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