

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA



Session 2007

Legislative Fiscal Note

BILL NUMBER: House Bill 1583 (First Edition)

SHORT TITLE: Restore Contract Rights to State/Local.

SPONSOR(S): Representatives Coates, Goforth, Brown, and Blue

FISCAL IMPACT

	Yes ()	No (X)	No Estimate Available ()		
	<u>FY 2007-08</u>	<u>FY 2008-09</u>	<u>FY 2009-10</u>	<u>FY 2010-11</u>	<u>FY 2011-12</u>
REVENUES	N/A				
EXPENDITURES	N/A				
POSITIONS (cumulative):	N/A				
PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S): The Retirement Systems Division of the Department of State Treasurer and Office of the State Controller.					
EFFECTIVE DATE: When it becomes law except Section 2 is effective July 1, 2007.					

BILL SUMMARY: Repeals GS 95-98 (which prohibits collective bargaining between state or local governments and employee associations or unions). Amends GS 135-18.8 and 143B-426.40A to delete provisions in those statutes that make authority to use payroll deductions for specified association membership contingent on the associations not engaging in collective bargaining.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: The present law allows the Retirement Systems Division of the Department of State Treasurer and Office of the State Controller to make or authorize deductions for dues to various employee and retiree associations or organizations, with the provision that the plan of deductions becomes void if the employee and retiree associations engage in collective bargaining. If that provision is removed and they are allowed to engage in collective bargaining, the plan of deductions would continue.

SOURCES OF DATA: Presently, the Retirement Systems Division of the Department of State Treasurer deducts dues for three employee and retiree associations. The Office of State Controller also deducts or authorizes deductions for dues to various employee and retiree associations.

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: The bill only changes the law relating to the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. There is similar language in the laws governing the Consolidated Judicial Retirement System, the Legislative Retirement System, the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System, the Firemen's and Rescue Squad Workers' Pension Fund and the National Guard Pension Fund which will also need to be changed.

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