

Wyoming Liberty Index

62nd Wyoming Legislature ★ 2014 Budget Session

HB0070, State parks peace officer-benefits.

Sponsors: Joint Judiciary Interim Committee

Aye votes: Representatives Baker, Barlow, Berger, Blake, Blevins, Blikre, Brown, Burkhart, Byrd, Campbell, Cannady, Coleman, Connolly, Eklund, Esquibel, K., Filer, Freeman, Gingery, Goggles, Greene, Harshman, Harvey, Kasperik, Kirkbride, Larsen, Lockhart, Madden, Mader, McKim, Moniz, Nicholas, B., Northrup, Patton, Paxton, Petroff, Semlek, Sommers, Stubson, Teeters, Wilson, Winters, Zwonitzer, Dn. and Zwonitzer, Dv.

Nay votes: Representatives Davison, Gay, Greear, Halverson, Hunt, Hutchings, Jaggi, Kroeker, Loucks, Lubnau, Miller, Piiparinen, Reeder, Walters and Watt

Comments

Adds yet another benefit to the pile of benefits paid to state employees. This is fiscally irresponsible.

A: This bill contains an appropriation of \$15,000 from the GENERAL FUND to the Retirement System. This bill appropriates money from the Wyoming economy for expenditure by the government. Additionally, the monies are appropriated in support of a benefit-defined retirement system rather than a contribution-defined retirement system which has been found to be problematic in both the public and private sectors. If this was an appropriation addressing government responsibilities to an existing or new contribution-based retirement system this would be Liberty neutral. Since the money is going into a benefit-defined system which can be problematic and potentially destabilizing, this bill is somewhat antagonistic to Liberty.

Weighted Rating: -1.00. Unweighted Rating: -1.00.

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