

House Bill 1170

Before: House Government and Veteran Affairs
The Honorable Austen Schauer, Chair

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TESTIMONY

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on HB 1170. The Public Service Commission has carefully reviewed the proposed legislation and appreciates the opportunity to share our perspective.

Like other agencies, the Commission faces challenges in recruiting talented employees. In particular, we have encountered situations where potential hires, other than those employed by the state, raise concerns about or attempt to negotiate leave policies. This has been particularly pointed when recruiting individuals who are already well-established in their careers.

We recognize that HB 1170 involves numerous considerations and concerns with its implementation. However, the Commission believes the legislation holds potential benefits if applied thoughtfully and effectively. We appreciate the committee's efforts to address these challenges and explore possible solutions.

Thank you again for considering our input on HB 1170. Please feel free to reach out to the Commission if we can provide additional information or assistance.