

2024 Legislative Session | KPERS Bill Recap

Senate Bill 172: Retiree Death Benefit Increase

Where It's At

Policy amended into HB 2711

Quick Look

SB 172 increases the retiree death benefit from \$4,000 to \$6,000.

Hearings

February 15, 2023 – Senate Ways and Means

March 6, 2023 – Passed Senate Committee

January 9, 2024 – Returned to Committee

January 30, 2024 – Passed Senate Committee

February 15, 2024 – Passed Senate 24-14

The Fine Print

When a KPERS retiree passes away, KPERS pays a \$4,000 lump-sum death benefit to their beneficiaries. They can name a person, estate, trust or funeral establishment to receive this benefit.

SB 172 increases the retiree death benefit from \$4,000 to \$6,000.

The Legislature created the retiree death benefit in 1982 and increased it in 1993 to the current \$4,000 benefit.