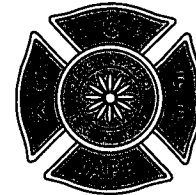


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Testimony by Jerry Marlatt, Lobbyist  
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RE: Defined Contribution Plan

Chairman Johnson and committee members I, thank you for this opportunity to appear before the committee today on behalf of the Kansas State Council of Fire Fighters in opposition to a defined contribution plan for KPERS. In 2011 the legislature had a study commission on KPERS. After having meetings all summer and fall then more meetings during the session a defined contribution plan did not resolve the UAL. The reason this did not resolve this issues it would take future employees out from under the umbrella of KPERS and increase the UAL.

When the UAL became more of a problem the Study Commission goal was to resolve the UAL. The Kansas State Council of Fire Fighters believes changing to a Defined Contribution Plan would have the opposite affect and increase the UAL. Therefore I would ask you to oppose this change to a Defined Contribution Plan.

Again thank you for this opportunity to appear before you today and I would stand for questions.

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