

Amend **CSSB 200** by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering other SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Section 28(h), Texas Local Fire Fighters Retirement Act (Article 6243e, Vernon's Civil Statutes), is amended to read as follows:

(h) A retirement system established under this Act is exempt from Subchapter C, Chapter 802, Government Code, except Sections 802.202, 802.205, and 802.207.

SECTION _____. (a) Contingent on the failure of **HB 3148**, **SB 220**, or similar legislation by the 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, providing for the abolition of the office of the fire fighters' pension commissioner and the transfer and disposition of its functions relating to the Texas Emergency Services Retirement System and the Texas local firefighters retirement systems, to become law:

(1) the State Pension Review Board shall provide any necessary assistance, including educational training, technical assistance, and other information to retirement systems organized under the Texas Local Fire Fighters' Retirement Act; and

(2) a person aggrieved by a decision of a board of trustees of a retirement system organized under the Texas Local Fire Fighters' Retirement Act relating to eligibility for or the amount of benefits payable by a retirement system may appeal the decision to the State Office of Administrative Hearings in the manner described by Subsection (b) of this section.

(b) An appeal under Subsection (a)(2) of this section is begun by delivering a notice of appeal to the State Pension Review Board in the manner established under Subsection (c) of this section. As soon as practicable after receiving a notice of appeal, the State Pension Review Board shall refer the matter to the State Office of Administrative Hearings by submitting notice of the appeal to that office.

(c) As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, and contingent on the failure of the measures described by Subsection (a) of this section to become law, the State Pension Review Board shall adopt rules to establish the manner in which an

aggrieved person may provide notice of appeal under Subsection (b) of this section.