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FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CS SB 2198

1 Amend ~~H.B. No. 2198~~ by adding the following appropriately
2 numbered SECTIONS to the bill and renumbering other SECTIONS of
3 the bill accordingly:

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

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

10 SECTION _____. (a) Contingent on the failure of H.B. No.
11 3148, S.B. No. 220, or similar legislation by the 83rd
12 Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, providing for the abolition
13 of the office of the fire fighters' pension commissioner and the
14 transfer and disposition of its functions relating to the Texas
15 Emergency Services Retirement System and the Texas local
16 firefighters retirement systems, to become law:

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

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

28 (b) An appeal under Subsection (a)(2) of this section is
29 begun by delivering a notice of appeal to the State Pension

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

6 (c) As soon as practicable after the effective date of this
7 Act, and contingent on the failure of the measures described by
8 Subsection (a) of this section to become law, the State Pension
9 Review Board shall adopt rules to establish the manner in which
10 an aggrieved person may provide notice of appeal under
11 Subsection (b) of this section.