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H.R. No. 623

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, The Texas Association of Public Employee Retirement  
2 Systems is holding its 24th Annual Conference in Austin, March 3  
3 through 6, 2013, and the event provides a welcome opportunity to  
4 honor this notable organization; and

5           WHEREAS, Founded in 1989, TEXPERS is a voluntary statewide  
6 organization focused on the goals of protecting public employee  
7 retirement systems in Texas as well as promoting quality management  
8 by providing members with outstanding educational programs; and

9           WHEREAS, Since it was chartered, this nonprofit association  
10 has provided forums for discussing state and national legislative  
11 issues that affect Texas pension systems; it has also supplied  
12 important information on retirement system administration, benefit  
13 design, and federal programs relating to public pensions; and

14           WHEREAS, TEXPERS has assumed the task of improving the  
15 management and administration of retirement systems through the  
16 creation of certified training for trustees; moreover, it is  
17 dedicated to helping ensure the actuarial integrity of systems and  
18 to addressing other urgent concerns; and

19           WHEREAS, This organization has grown extensively over the  
20 past 24 years; currently, its members are public retirement systems  
21 that represent more than 300,000 active and retired public  
22 employees, including police officers, firefighters, and employees  
23 of utility districts, transit systems, hospital districts,  
24 appraisal districts, and river authorities from all areas of the

1 state; and

2 WHEREAS, Firms that provide professional services to public  
3 pension funds belong to TEXPERS as associate members; these include  
4 actuarial, consulting, and law firms and banks and investment  
5 management companies; and

6 WHEREAS, As part of its annual conference, the association  
7 offers training for trustees and administrators, opportunities for  
8 communication between the diverse parties interested in public  
9 retirement plans, and information needed to protect the rights of  
10 public pension systems and the employees they cover, and the  
11 association is to be commended for the vital role it plays in  
12 promoting the sound condition of these public funds; now,  
13 therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 83rd Texas  
15 Legislature hereby recognize the many individuals affiliated with  
16 the Texas Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems and  
17 extend to them sincere best wishes for a successful gathering at the  
18 24th Annual Conference; and, be it further

19 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
20 prepared for the association as an expression of high regard by the  
21 Texas House of Representatives.