

Amend **CSHB 1** as follows:

On page III-40 of the bill pattern for the Teacher Retirement System, add the following rider:

____. TRS Ombudsman. Out of funds appropriated above in Strategy A.1.3, Administrative Operations, it is the intent of the legislature that the Board of Trustees of the Teacher Retirement System (the Board) hire an independent ombudsman to investigate and resolve complaints by members of the system. The legislature further intends that the ombudsman report at least quarterly to the Board on member issues and challenges and provide recommendations for improvement to the Board. The legislature intends that the Board only implement this section to the extent that the ombudsman enhances and does not interfere with existing member service efforts by the system.