LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate		House
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The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Latvala) recommended the following:

## Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 8 and 9

insert:

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Section 1. Subsection (6) is added to section 175.351, Florida Statutes, to read:

7 175.351 Municipalities and special fire control districts 8 having their own pension plans for firefighters.—For any 9 municipality, special fire control district, local law 10 municipality, local law special fire control district, or local 11 law plan under this chapter, in order for municipalities and 12 special fire control districts with their own pension plans for



13 firefighters, or for firefighters and police officers if 14 included, to participate in the distribution of the tax fund 15 established pursuant to s. 175.101, local law plans must meet 16 the minimum benefits and minimum standards set forth in this 17 chapter.

18 (6) Notwithstanding any other provision, with respect to 19 any plan established under this chapter, if the municipality or 20 special fire control district and the plan members' collective 21 bargaining representative or, if none, a majority of the plan 22 members, mutually consent to the retirement benefits provided in 23 the plan or to the use of income from the premium tax provided 24 pursuant to this chapter, the provisions of the agreement shall 25 be deemed to comply with this chapter for retirement purposes. 26 This subsection is retroactive in application to any agreement 27 entered into or effective on or after October 1, 2010.

29 Between lines 63 and 64 30 insert:

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31 Section 3. Subsection (6) is added to section 185.35, 32 Florida Statutes, to read:

33 185.35 Municipalities having their own pension plans for 34 police officers.-For any municipality, chapter plan, local law municipality, or local law plan under this chapter, in order for 35 36 municipalities with their own pension plans for police officers, 37 or for police officers and firefighters if included, to 38 participate in the distribution of the tax fund established 39 pursuant to s. 185.08, local law plans must meet the minimum benefits and minimum standards set forth in this chapter: 40 41 (6) Notwithstanding any other provision, with respect to

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42	any plan established under this chapter, if the municipality and
43	the plan members' collective bargaining representative or, if
44	none, a majority of the plan members, mutually consent to the
45	retirement benefits provided in the plan or to the use of income
46	from the premium tax provided pursuant to this chapter, the
47	provisions of the agreement shall be deemed to comply with this
48	chapter for retirement purposes. This subsection is retroactive
49	in application to any agreement entered into or effective on or
50	after October 1, 2010.
51	Section 4. The Legislature finds that a proper and
52	legitimate state purpose is served when employees and retirees
53	of the state and its political subdivisions, and the dependents,
54	survivors, and beneficiaries of such employees and retirees, are
55	extended the basic protections afforded by governmental
56	retirement systems that provide fair and adequate benefits and
57	that are managed, administered, and funded in an actuarially
58	sound manner as required by s. 14, Article X of the State
59	Constitution and part VII of chapter 112, Florida Statutes.
60	Therefore, the Legislature determines and declares that this act
61	fulfills an important state interest.
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64	And the title is amended as follows:
65	Delete line 2
66	and insert:
67	An act relating to public retirement plans; amending
68	s. 175.351, F.S.; revising provisions relating to
69	benefits paid from the premium tax by a municipality
70	or special fire control district that has its own
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71	pension plan; providing for retroactive application;
72	amending
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74	Delete line 4
75	and insert:
76	"compensation" or "salary" for purposes of police
77	officers' pensions; amending s. 185.35, F.S.; revising
78	provisions relating to benefits paid by a municipality
79	that has its own pension plan; providing for
80	retroactive application; providing a declaration of
81	important state interest; providing an effective

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