

Week 11 Update

The Legislature completed the twenty-sixth and twenty-seventh legislative days of the Regular Session this week. There are only three legislative days remaining in the session.

The Legislature came close to passing both budgets this week with final passage of the Education Trust Fund budget (SB189) and conference committee action pending for the General Fund budget (HB309). The Education Trust Fund budget fully funds TRS and PEEHIP at the requested employer rates and the General Fund budget fully funds ERS at the requested employer rates.

Additionally, the House Ways and Means Education Committee gave favorable reports to companion bills SB61 and HB379, which would create a trust to fund bonuses for TRS retirees.

Finally, the Senate concurred in the House changes to SB79, by Sen. Gudger, which adds two local seats to the ERS Board. The bill has been sent to the Governor for her signature.