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STATE OF COLORADO

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BILL 1

LLS NO. 25-0227.01 Caroline Martin x5902

INTERIM COMMITTEE BILL

**Pension Review Commission**

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**BILL TOPIC:** Adjust PERA Direct Distribution for Inflation

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING THE ADJUSTMENT OF THE DIRECT DISTRIBUTION TO THE**  
102 **PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION FOR INFLATION**  
103 **OR DEFLATION.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/>.)*

**Pension Review Commission.** Current law requires the state treasurer to make a direct distribution of \$225 million per year to the public employees' retirement association until the association is fully funded. The bill requires the state treasurer to annually adjust the amount of the direct distribution for inflation or deflation as determined by the

*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing law.*

United States department of labor's bureau of labor statistics consumer price index for the Denver-Aurora-Lakewood area. The bill specifies that the amount of the direct distribution will not be less than \$225 million in any year.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-51-414, **add**  
3 (1)(c) as follows:

4 **24-51-414. Direct distribution.** (1) (c) ON JULY 1, 2025, AND ON  
5 JULY 1 EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL ANNUALLY  
6 ADJUST FOR INFLATION OR DEFLATION THE AMOUNT OF THE WARRANT  
7 REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION; EXCEPT THAT THE  
8 AMOUNT OF THE WARRANT ISSUED IN ANY YEAR PURSUANT TO  
9 SUBSECTION (1)(a) OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN TWO  
10 HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS. THE STATE TREASURER SHALL  
11 ROUND THE ADJUSTED AMOUNT UPWARD OR DOWNWARD TO THE NEAREST  
12 DOLLAR. INFLATION OR DEFLATION IS MEASURED BY THE ANNUAL  
13 PERCENTAGE CHANGE IN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR'S  
14 BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS CONSUMER PRICE INDEX FOR  
15 DENVER-AURORA-LAKEWOOD FOR ALL ITEMS PAID BY URBAN  
16 CONSUMERS, OR ITS APPLICABLE PREDECESSOR OR SUCCESSOR INDEX.

17 **SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
18 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
19 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
20 that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
21 of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
22 act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
23 effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in

- 1 November 2026 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
- 2 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.