

## MILWAUKEE COUNTY FISCAL NOTE FORM

**DATE:** July 21, 2015

Original Fiscal Note

Substitute Fiscal Note

**SUBJECT:** A resolution to quantify and develop a course of action related to an actuarial error made in the 2014 and 2015 calculation of required contributions to the Milwaukee County Employees' Retirement System

**FISCAL EFFECT:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Direct County Fiscal Impact<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing Staff Time Required<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increase Operating Expenditures<br>(If checked, check one of two boxes below)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Absorbed Within Agency's Budget<br><input type="checkbox"/> Not Absorbed Within Agency's Budget<br><input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Operating Expenditures<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increase Operating Revenues<br><input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Operating Revenues | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Capital Expenditures<br><input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Capital Expenditures<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increase Capital Revenues<br><input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Capital Revenues<br><input type="checkbox"/> Use of contingent funds |
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*Indicate below the dollar change from budget for any submission that is projected to result in increased/decreased expenditures or revenues in the current year.*

	Expenditure or Revenue Category	Current Year	Subsequent Year
<b>Operating Budget</b>	Expenditure	\$0	\$0
	Revenue	\$0	\$0
	Net Cost	\$0	\$0
<b>Capital Improvement Budget</b>	Expenditure	\$0	\$0
	Revenue	\$0	\$0
	Net Cost	\$0	\$0

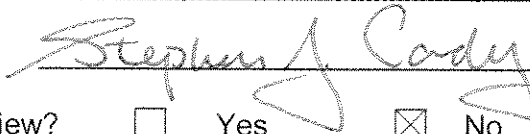
**DESCRIPTION OF FISCAL EFFECT**

**In the space below, you must provide the following information. Attach additional pages if necessary.**

- A. Briefly describe the nature of the action that is being requested or proposed, and the new or changed conditions that would occur if the request or proposal were adopted.
  - B. State the direct costs, savings or anticipated revenues associated with the requested or proposed action in the current budget year and how those were calculated. <sup>1</sup> If annualized or subsequent year fiscal impacts are substantially different from current year impacts, then those shall be stated as well. In addition, cite any one-time costs associated with the action, the source of any new or additional revenues (e.g. State, Federal, user fee or private donation), the use of contingent funds, and/or the use of budgeted appropriations due to surpluses or change in purpose required to fund the requested action.
  - C. Discuss the budgetary impacts associated with the proposed action in the current year. A statement that sufficient funds are budgeted should be justified with information regarding the amount of budgeted appropriations in the relevant account and whether that amount is sufficient to offset the cost of the requested action. If relevant, discussion of budgetary impacts in subsequent years also shall be discussed. Subsequent year fiscal impacts shall be noted for the entire period in which the requested or proposed action would be implemented when it is reasonable to do so (i.e. a five-year lease agreement shall specify the costs/savings for each of the five years in question). Otherwise, impacts associated with the existing and subsequent budget years should be cited.
  - D. Describe any assumptions or interpretations that were utilized to provide the information on this form.
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- A. Approval of this resolution will request the Office of the Corporation Counsel and Office of the Comptroller to provide a report to the County Board for the September 2015 meeting cycle to help quantify the costs and liability from the omission of the retiree COLA in the calculation of the pension contribution for all affected years. The report shall include the viability of various options that policymakers may have to remedy the errors, including but not limited to: 1) recovery through insurance (e.g. Errors and Omissions), 2) cancellation of the actuarial contract, 3) legal remedies for identified damages, and 4) other alternatives to reduce the burden on taxpayers and employees.
  - B. This resolution would not require the expenditure of funds but would require existing staff time to produce the report.
  - C. It is anticipated that there would be no budgetary impacts associated with the approval of this resolution.
  - D. No assumptions were made in the preparation of this fiscal note.

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Authorized Signature



Did DAS-Fiscal Staff Review?  Yes  No

Did CDBP Review?<sup>2</sup>  Yes  No  Not Required

<sup>1</sup> If it is assumed that there is no fiscal impact associated with the requested action, then an explanatory statement that justifies that conclusion shall be provided. If precise impacts cannot be calculated, then an estimate or range should be provided.