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(ITEM) From the Milwaukee County Executive, requesting authorization to amend Sections 201.24(8.5) and (8.17) of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances to provide a fiscal analysis before action by the Pension Board on any interpretation of Employees' Retirement System (ERS), any decision on benefits in ERS, or any proposed modification of the rules of ERS, by recommending adoption of the following:

AN AMENDED RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, interpretations of the Employee's Retirement System (ERS), decision on benefits in ERS, or modifications of the rules of ERS may have a substantial and lasting financial effect on both the budget of Milwaukee County and the liabilities and assets of the pension funds; and

WHEREAS, interpretations of ERS, decisions on benefits in ERS, or decisions by the Pension Board about modifications to ERS rules should be made with full information as to any such effects; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of May 19, 2016, provided no recommendation due to a tie vote on a motion to recommend adoption of the County Executive's request as amended (vote 3-3); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby amends Section 201.24(8.5) and (8.17) of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances by adopting the following:

AN ORDINANCE

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Milwaukee does ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 201.24(8.5) of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances is amended as follows:

8.5 - Decision Vote

Each member of the board shall be entitled to one (1) vote in the board. Compliance with section 8.17(c) and fFive (5) votes shall be necessary for a decision by the members of the board at any meeting of the board.

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Section 2. Section 201.24(8.17) of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances, governing the Employee's Retirement System, is amended as follows:

8.17. - Other powers.

(a) The board shall have the power to construe and interpret the system, decide all questions of eligibility and determine the amount, manner and time of payment of any benefits and reasonable administrative expenses hereunder. The board may, in its discretion, deny membership to any class of employees whose compensation is only partially paid by the county or who are serving on a temporary or other than per annum basis.

(b) The pension board shall be given no less than thirty (30) days to comment in writing to the county executive and the county board upon the fiscal impact of proposed benefit changes referred from the county board. The pension board may request of the county board an extension of time to comment. In making its referral, the county board shall make full disclosure to the pension board of all actuarial information utilized in the proposed benefit changes.

(c) In exercising its powers under section 8.17(a) or under section 8.6, on any question potentially affecting the rights of two or more current or future members, the board shall not take action before receiving and reviewing a fiscal analysis. The comptroller shall be requested to prepare the fiscal analysis. The director of performance strategy and budget shall be requested to approve review the analysis. The actuary shall be requested to assist in or verify the analysis. The analysis shall be requested to include a) the effect of the proposal on the county budget for the next five (5) years and b) the effect of the proposal on the liabilities and assets of the funds of the system and required contributions to the funds of the system for the relevant future period.

Section 3. The provisions of this amended ordinance shall be effective upon passage and publication.

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