

TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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RESOLUTION OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 5097 AND SENATE BILL 850

WHEREAS, House Bill 5097 (HB 5097) was voted out of the House Committee on Commerce;
and

WHEREAS, HB 5097 would exempt police and fire unions from the provisions of the Public Employer Relations Act (PERA) that prohibit the awarding of retroactive pay, the passing along of benefit cost increase, and the cessation of step pay increases when labor contracts expire before another contract has been agreed upon; and

WHEREAS, an identical bill has been introduced in the Senate – Senate Bill 850 (SB 850); and

WHEREAS, these bills apply to police and fire unions only - however, since the enactment of changes to PERA in 2011, counties (including Tuscola County) have been able to settle a majority of their labor contracts prior to the expiration date; and

WHEREAS, without this cost-saving management tool, there is little incentive for police and fire unions to settle contract disputes prior to the expiration of their contacts.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners opposes HB 5097, SB 850, and any similar bills that would reverse the cost management tools put in place by changes to PERA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Representative Terry Brown, Senator Mike Green, Governor Rick Snyder and the Michigan Association of Counties.

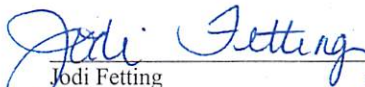
Date 6-26-14



Thom Bardwell, Chairperson
Tuscola County Board of Commissioners

I, Jodi Fetting, Tuscola County Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners at its regular meeting on June 26, 2014.

Date 6/26/14


Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

RESOLUTION

To: The Honorable Board of Commissioners
Huron County
Michigan

WE, the LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE, respectfully beg leave to submit the following resolution for your consideration:

WHEREAS, House Bill 5097 (HB 5097) was voted out of the House Committee on Commerce; and

WHEREAS, HB 5097 would exempt police and fire unions from the provisions of the Public Employer Relations Act (PERA) that prohibit the awarding of retroactive pay, the passing along of benefit cost increase, and the cessation of step pay increases when labor contracts expire before another contract has been agreed upon; and

WHEREAS, an identical bill has been introduced in the Senate – Senate Bill 850 (SB 850); and

WHEREAS, these bills apply to police and fire unions only; however, since the enactment of changes to PERA in 2011, counties (including Huron County) have been able to settle a majority of their labor contracts prior to the expiration date; and


WHEREAS, without this cost saving management tool, there is little incentive for police and fire unions to settle contract disputes prior to the expiration of their contacts; now

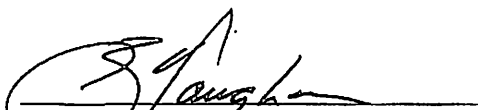
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board of Commissioners opposes HB 5097, SB 850, and any similar bills that would reverse the cost management tools put in place by changes to PERA; and


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the other 82 counties, Representative Terry Brown, Senator Mike Green, and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Respectfully submitted,

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE


David G. Peruski, Chairman


Steve Vaughan, Vice Chairman


John L. Bodis, Member

Dated: June 24, 2014



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MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL
RISK MANAGEMENT
A U T H O R I T Y

June 24, 2014

Michael Hoagland
Tuscola County
125 W. Lincoln Street
Caro, MI 48723

Dear Mt Hoagland:

Thank you for your recent renewal with the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority. On behalf of the MMRMA Board of Directors, I am very pleased to provide Tuscola County with \$61,354. This represents your share of the distribution of excess net assets to Members, which was declared by the Board in February 2014. In accordance with your instructions, your share of the distribution will be deposited in your Member Funds Held on Deposit with MMRMA.

This distribution is based on the most recent analysis of net asset adequacy at June 30, 2013. Please be aware this is not a guarantee of future distributions. Each year, the Board determines whether to declare a net asset distribution. This year, the total distribution to eligible Members is \$34.5 million. MMRMA's ability to declare this distribution is a direct reflection of consistently strong performance results. Factors contributing to these results include better than expected loss trends in recent years; Member responsiveness to risk control recommendations; good management practices by Members, resulting in fewer losses; and solid investment income.

However, the essential factor allowing MMRMA to distribute excess net assets is the long-term commitment of its Members. A majority of MMRMA Members enjoy over 20 years of continuous membership, and several have over 25 continuous years with the organization. The method used to calculate the distribution of excess net assets recognizes and rewards those municipalities with sustained longevity. In addition to the years of continuous membership, the calculation method considers General Fund contributions and claim loss history beyond your SIR over the past five years. The ultimate recognition goes to you – the MMRMA Members. Without your ongoing participation, such distributions would not be possible. The Board and I sincerely thank you for your loyal support of this fine organization.

Warmest regards,

Michael L. Rhyner
Executive Director