## **Senator Steiner Hayward**

## **FULL COMMITTEE PONY**

## **Public Employees Retirement System Retiree Health Insurance Program Report**

The General Government Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Committee on Ways and Means acknowledge receipt of a report from the Public Employees Retirement System on its Retiree Health Insurance Programs, with instruction.

PERS was directed to review the healthcare insurance marketplace and report on whether the Affordable Care Act or Cover Oregon could provide coverage for its pre-Medicare and Medicare participants.

The PERS report concludes that the Affordable Care Act or Cover Oregon coverages are not available for its Medicare-related policies; however, its pre-Medicare program could be modified to allow for individual coverage under the Affordable Care Act or other commercially-available health plan(s).

Your General Government Subcommittee recommends acknowledging receipt of the report, with direction that PERS return to the Interim House and Senate Committees on Healthcare and the Interim Joint Committee on Ways and Means in September of 2015 on the feasibility of moving the Retiree Health Insurance Premium Account population into individual coverage under the Affordable Care Act or other commercially-available health plan(s).