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Good governing on display as governor signs pension bill into law

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ST. PAUL, Minn. May 31, 2018 _ Gov. Mark Dayton has signed into law a bill to make necessary adjustments to the state's pension plans for public employees, including teachers and other educators.

"The state government can still improve the lives of everyday Minnesotans when leaders and ordinary citizens put aside their differences and compromise for the common good," said Denise Specht, president of Education Minnesota. "This bill is an example of what good governing looks like."

"A bipartisan group of lawmakers, and many stakeholders, spent years on this bill because they wanted to honor the promises made to Minnesota's teachers and other public employees," Specht said. "Those lawmakers insisted the bill go to the governor without controversial amendments. We wish that approach had been more common this session."

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