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Disappointing budget target; TRA bill introduced

We are very disappointed with the pension budget target that has been released, and this only increases our dedication to continue to fight for pension improvements. We will continue to organize our members across the state, and we know our members, staff and officers will continue to keep up the pressure.

BUT some good news following up on what we shared in last week's Extra Edition about progress on the TRA proposal: <u>House File 3100</u> has been introduced and has fantastic authors in Reps. Kaohly Vang Her, Ethan Cha, Kaela Berg, Mike Nelson and Dan Wolgamott. We continue to work to get as many pension reform options on the table and the TRA proposal is another fantastic improvement for legislators to discuss.

Next steps

We have to get more members face-to-face with legislators over the next two months to discuss how important an investment into pensions is to educators and to apply more pressure.

Our challenge: Hit the local action trifecta! We need every local to get members to take action. Here are the goals:

- 2 members from your local attend the Pension Town Hall.
- 2 members from your local attend the Pension Day of Action in St. Paul.
- 3 members from your local attend the virtual Pension Issue Lobby Day.

NEW! April 3 – Pension Day of Action at the Capitol

<u>Join us at the Capitol</u> on Monday, April 3, to rally and speak with your legislators in person about the importance of investing in pensions.

Register online here.

An optional members-only briefing on current pension legislation will be held at 1 p.m. at Education Minnesota headquarters. Sign-making materials will be available there.

Members are asked to reach out to their legislators if they'd like a personal meeting to talk about pension reform.

A rally in the Capitol rotunda is planned for 3:45-4:45 p.m.

March 29 - Pension Town Hall with LCPR Chair and HF2222 lead author We're hosting a virtual pension town hall from 5-6 p.m. Wednesday, March 29. During this time, members will hear from LCPR Chair Rep. Kaohly Vang Her and LCPR member Rep. Dan Wolgamott to get their perspective on pension legislation and the overall legislative landscape.

Members must register online here.

<u>Submit your questions here</u> for us to ask Reps. Her and Wolgamott. We will not be able to take questions during the town hall. We will try to get to as many of your questions as possible, but cannot guarantee all will be asked due to time constraints.

April 20 - Pension Issue Lobby Day

Join members from across the state to speak with legislators about the importance of investing in pensions. <u>Register for this online event here</u>.

If you have any questions, please email Adam Janiak.

Keep organizing, sharing and talking to your colleagues about our plan. <u>Sign</u> <u>up and forward this Education Minnesota Pension Updates signup today</u> <u>or use the QR code below!</u>

