

PERSONNEL, AUDITS, AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the provision of disability retirement benefits for 83 public safety officers under the Los Angeles City Employees Retirement System (LACERS) Public Safety Tier 1 Enhanced Benefits.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Koretz - Buscaino):

DIRECT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) report in 60 days in regard to providing disability retirement benefits for the aforementioned 83 public safety officers under the LACERS Public Safety Tier 1 Enhanced Benefits provision for the following groups:

- a. 24 LAPD Officers (General Fund)
- b. 27 Municipal Police Officers (General Fund)
- c. 24 Park Rangers (General Fund)
- d. Eight Port Police Officers (Proprietary Fund)

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed an analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On February 3, 2021, your Committee considered a Motion (Koretz - Buscaino) relative to the provision of disability retirement benefits for 83 public safety officers under the LACERS Public Safety Tier 1 Enhanced Benefits. According to the Motion, the COVID-19 pandemic has placed first responders in regular contact with individuals infected with COVID-19. It is essential to ensure that the same disability retirement benefits are conferred to all public safety personnel in the City. There are currently four separate groups of public safety officers in the City of Los Angeles who do not receive the same benefits as other peace officers, as follows:

- 24 LAPD Officers (General Fund)
- 27 Municipal Police Officers (General Fund)
- 24 Park Rangers (General Fund)
- Eight Port Police Officers (Proprietary Fund)

After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the Motion. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PERSONNEL, AUDITS, AND ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE

| <u>MEMBER</u> | <u>VOTE</u> |
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| KORETZ: | YES |
| HARRIS-DAWSON: | YES |
| BONIN: | YES |
| ARL | |
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