

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 10—COMMITTEE ON
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM)

FEBRUARY 26, 1999

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Urges Congress to oppose extension of mandatory Social Security coverage of newly hired state and local governmental employees. (BDR R-789)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION—Urging Congress to oppose the extension of mandatory Social Security coverage to newly hired state and local governmental employees.

- 1 WHEREAS, The Constitution of the United States assigns certain powers
- 2 and responsibilities to the Federal Government and reserves the balance of
- 3 those powers and responsibilities to the individual states; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Beginning in the 1930s when the Social Security System
- 5 was established, public employees were excluded from participation; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Many pension plans of state and local governments have
- 7 elected to complement their own pension programs through coverage
- 8 under the Social Security System; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Other public pension plans, including the Public Employees'
- 10 Retirement System of Nevada, decided not to participate in the national
- 11 Social Security System, but rather to provide their own independent and
- 12 excellent programs of retirement benefits; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Mandatory Social Security coverage of newly hired state
- 14 and local governmental employees in the State of Nevada will seriously
- 15 disrupt our well-founded Public Employees' Retirement System; and
- 16 WHEREAS, There is no evidence to support the idea that mandatory
- 17 Social Security coverage of newly hired public employees will solve the
- 18 funding problems of the national Social Security System; and

1 WHEREAS, There are serious constitutional and administrative problems
2 with the extension of mandatory Social Security coverage to newly hired
3 public employees; now, therefore, be it
4 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA,
5 JOINTLY, That the members of the Legislature of the State of Nevada
6 hereby express their strong opposition to the extension of mandatory
7 Social Security coverage to newly hired state and local governmental
8 employees; and be it further
9 RESOLVED, That the Nevada Legislature hereby urges Congress to
10 oppose all efforts to extend mandatory Social Security coverage to newly
11 hired state and local governmental employees; and be it further
12 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit
13 a copy of this resolution to the Vice President of the United States as the
14 presiding officer of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
15 Representatives and each member of the Nevada Congressional
16 Delegation; and be it further
17 RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon passage and
18 approval.

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