



NCRGEA Government Relations Update

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The House of Representatives continues to pull their budget together. The Appropriation Committee Chairs are receiving reports from the budget subcommittees, which is the first step in finalizing their budget. The House is scheduled to have their budget completed by the second week in August.

House Appropriation Chairs and House Leadership are well aware of retirees' needs and are working to have funding for retirees in their budget.

Next week the General Assembly will effectively be in recess as the leadership from the House and Senate head to a national legislative meeting.

Your emails and calls telling legislators why you need a cost-of-living adjustment have been a great benefit to our efforts. So, if you haven't emailed your legislator, please review the information below and do so.

Contact your Legislator!!

Retirees deserve better!

Why do you need a cost-of-living adjustment?

- Inflation is rising
- The State has a \$6 billion surplus
- Pension values have declined by almost 20 percent since 2008
- COLAs and quality of life aren't partisan issues! Nor should they be!

What can you do? Share why you need a cost-of-living adjustment. Call and email your legislators. You can visit our government relations section at our website, www.ncrgea.com. There you can find your representatives names and their contact information. You can also go directly to the North Carolina General Assembly's website at www.ncleg.gov to find your elected officials and their contact information.

Please follow us on Twitter and Facebook for updated information.

Thank YOU for being an advocate for the more than 320,000 retirees across North Carolina!

Stay Tuned!

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