

To the Appropriations Committee:

By proposing increasing the retiree's contributions for their health care premium you would be penalizing the retired members who didn't have the advantage of the Enhancement Act of 1986. Instead, you will make their "golden years" a "Black Friday."

Because our retirement program has been skillfully managed, we should not have government intervention that will impact our program negatively, based on prior government mismanagement programs from the past.

Didn't the teachers help in the bailout of Colt some years back, financially, and look at the result of that transaction.

We do not need to have the Connecticut Retirement Teachers Board become part of the Connecticut Comptroller's office along with the increase proposal in the retiree's contribution for their health care premium. From my perspective, it gives our state government another way to flaunt this new money recklessly.

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