

Pension Fairness *for Illinois Communities*

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Statement from the Pension Fairness for Illinois Communities Coalition

Although the pension reform legislation passed yesterday by the Illinois General Assembly is a solid first step towards addressing the critical pension issues facing our state, police and firefighter pensions were unfortunately left out of the bill.

It is our hope that the General Assembly can use this legislation as a foundation for public safety pension reform, which is urgently needed to protect Illinois taxpayers and secure reliable retirement benefits for public safety employees.

We are continuing to negotiate through legislative leadership on a comprehensive pension reform platform, and we are optimistic it can be accomplished this session.

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