

## FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate  
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: February 20, 1996

SUBJECT: **SB 2351 - HB 2870**

This bill, if enacted, will require partial payment by the state of the health insurance premium for retired state and higher education employees and teachers who choose to participate in the state plan. The amount of the contribution is to be set in the appropriation act.

The fiscal impact of this bill is estimated to increase state expenditures. The amount cannot be determined since it is dependent upon appropriations. However, 3,700 retired state and higher education employees currently participate in the state insurance plan and an additional 900 retired state employees are eligible but choose not to participate. According to the Department of Finance and Administration approximately 5,000 retired teachers may qualify for support. If each recipient received support of \$10 per month the estimated increase in state expenditures would total \$1,152,000.

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Current State Employees	3,700	\$ 444,000
Eligible State Employees	900	108,000
Retired Teachers	<u>5,000</u>	<u>600,000</u>
Total	9,600	\$ 1,152,000

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial 'J'.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director