



## **Pension & Health Benefits Committee**

California Public Employees' Retirement System

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### **Consent**

### **Agenda Item 4c**

October 20, 2015

**ITEM NAME:** Federal Health Care Policy Representatives Update

**PROGRAM:** Health Benefits

**ITEM TYPE:** Information Consent

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) Federal Health Care Policy Representatives, Avenue Solutions and Jennings Policy Strategies (a joint venture), are providing a written federal legislative update covering recent developments on issues of interest to CalPERS and related activities.

#### **STRATEGIC PLAN**

This agenda item supports Goal C of the 2012-17 Strategic Plan, because the Health Care Policy Representatives are key components in CalPERS ability to engage in national policy development to enhance the long-term sustainability and effectiveness of our programs.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Avenue Solutions and Jennings Policy Strategies officially became CalPERS Federal Health Care Policy Representatives in mid-February, following selection by the Board of Administration in November 2014. Avenue Solutions and Jennings Policy Strategies provide consultation and representation to CalPERS on any federal proposals potentially impacting CalPERS health care benefit programs. This includes assisting in the development and implementation of strategies to accomplish CalPERS priorities. This written report will cover the latest developments in Washington, D.C. on issues of interest to CalPERS and related activities.

#### **BUDGET AND FISCAL IMPACTS**

Not Applicable.

#### **BENEFITS/RISKS**

Not Applicable.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 – Avenue Solutions and Jennings Policy Strategies August and September 2015 Report

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