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Mr. Chairman, members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony in opposition of SB 299.

Retirees can be valuable resources to school districts in their struggle to secure teachers for their classrooms. Many districts currently benefit from retirees who have returned to work following their retirement.

This bill would no longer extend the current provisions in law regarding working after retirement for KPERS retirees. At this late stage in the session, rather than pass a bill with immense changes to working after retirement provisions, it is more beneficial to all involved to simply extend the three year sunset. We urge you to vote no on SB 299.

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