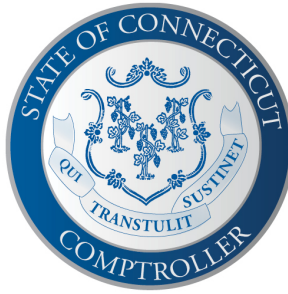


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A regular meeting of the State Employees Retirement Commission (the “Commission”) was held on December 18, 2025. The meeting was held electronically via Zoom. The meeting convened at 9:00 a.m. and the following members of the Commission were present:

- Peter Adomeit, Chairman
- Michael Bailey, Trustee
- Karen Buffkin, Trustee
- Michael Carey, Trustee
- Carl Chisem, Trustee
- John Disette, Trustee
- Tara Downes, Deputy Comptroller, Ex Officio Member
- Brian Hill, Trustee
- David Kraveski, Trustee
- Sal Luciano, Trustee
- Karen Nolen, Trustee
- Michael O’Brien, Trustee
- Claude Poulin, Trustee
- Ted Wright, Chief Investment Officer, Office of the Treasurer, Ex Officio Member

Absent were:

- Angel Quiros, Trustee
- Rebecca Simonsen, Trustee

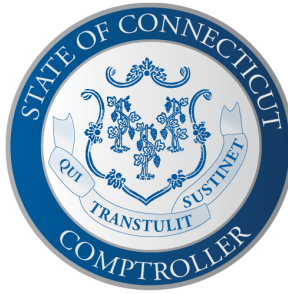
Also present were:

- Bruce Barth, Tax Counsel, Robinson & Cole
- Cindy Cieslak, General Counsel to the Commission, Rose Kallor
- Robert Helfand, Retirement Services Division
- John Herrington, Director, Retirement Services Division
- Virginia McGarrity, Tax Counsel, Robinson & Cole
- Michael Rose, General Counsel to the Commission, Rose Kallor
- Benjamin Sedrowski, Retirement Services Division
- Larry Langer, CavMac

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Call to Order

Chairman Adomeit called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. Ms. Cieslak identified the individuals in attendance.

At 9:05 a.m., Mr. Poulin moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to amend the agenda to include as Item 15: Request Commission Acceptance of the Connecticut Judges, Family Support Magistrates, and Compensation Commissioners Retirement System Actuarial Valuation Report Prepared as of June 30, 2025. All voted in favor.

Chairman's Report

At 9:06 a.m., Mr. Adomeit provided the Chairman's Report. He advised that Timothy Ryor, Actuarial Trustee resigned this month.

Division Director's Report

At 9:08 a.m., Mr. Herrington provided the Division Director's Report.

Division Director Report (12/18/2025)

I. SERS Disability Retirements:

A. Pending Disability Applications for Initial Review by the Medical Examining Board (MEB): Currently the Disability Retirement Unit is scheduling into April 2026.

- There are 9 New Applications received for December 2025.
 - There are 104 initial Disability Retirement applications pending of which:
 - 0 Applications are awaiting review and scheduling by Unit.
 - 19 Tabled cases have not yet provided updated medical documentation.
 - 18 Reconsideration cases to be scheduled in 2026 and have not provided updated medical documentation.
 - 67 Applications are scheduled for upcoming MEB meetings.

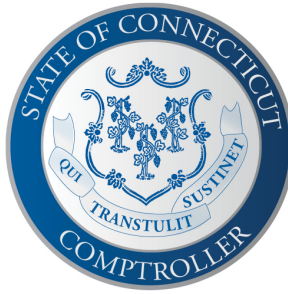
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
2024	76	79	74	75	75	94*	97*	87*	85*	79*	87*	83*
2025	83*	85*	94*	92*	90*	88*	89*	92*	95*	91*	92*	104*

*Going forward, we will be including tabled and reconsideration cases in the total pending count.

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B. Twenty-Four Month Reviews:

- 36 Cases are scheduled for review and 21 are scheduled for approval due to Social Security MOU.
- 2 Reconsideration case has not provided updated medical documentation.
- 87 cases are awaiting the due date for scheduling.

II. Normal SERS Retirements:

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.		Totals
2025	162	129	104	115	110	129	186	156	150	110	106	92		1549
2024	111	87	98	96	83	125	121	136	132	111	103	91		1294
Historical Average	179	153	129	255	128	205	262	177	180	248	116	98		2,130

New Matters

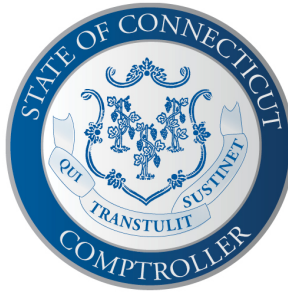
The trustees addressed Item 15 first.

15. Request Commission Acceptance of the Connecticut Judges, Family Support Magistrate, and Compensation Commissioners Retirement System Actuarial Valuation Report Prepared as of June 30, 2025.
 - i. At 9:09 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the Judges, Family Support Magistrate, and Compensation Commissioners Retirement System Actuarial Valuation Report Prepared as of June 30, 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the Connecticut Judges, Family Support Magistrate, and Compensation Commissioners Retirement System Actuarial Valuation Report Prepared as of June 30, 2025.
1. Request Commission Approval of SERC minutes w/ Directors Report from the November 2025 meeting.
 - i. At 9:10 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the SERC minutes w/ Directors Report from the November 2025 meeting.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the SERC minutes w/ Directors Report from the November 2025 meeting.

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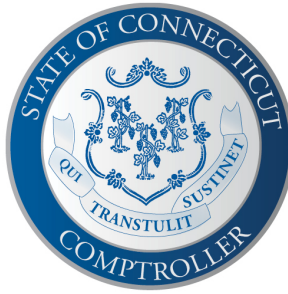
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2. Request Commission Approval of the Connecticut SERS Expenses for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:10 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the Connecticut SERS Expenses for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the Connecticut SERS Expenses for November 2025.
3. Request Commission Approval of the State Employees Retirement Commission Chairman's Per Diem Expenses for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:11 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the State Employees Retirement Commission Chairman's Per Diem Expenses for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the State Employees Retirement Commission Chairman's Per Diem Expenses for November 2025.
4. Request Commission Approval of the State Employees Retirement Commission Union Trustee Claude Poulin's Per Diem and Travel Expenses Reimbursement for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:11 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the State Employees Retirement Commission Union Trustee Claude Poulin's Per Diem and Travel Expenses Reimbursement for November 2025.
 - ii. Mr. Poulin abstained.
 - iii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iv. The Commission voted unanimously in favor, with Mr. Poulin abstaining, to approve the State Employees Retirement Commission Union Trustee Claude Poulin's Per Diem and Travel Expenses Reimbursement for November 2025.
5. Request Commission Approval of the State Employees Retirement Commission Management Trustee Timothy A. Ryor's Per Diem Expenses for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:11 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the State Employees Retirement Commission Management Trustee Timothy A. Ryor's Per Diem Expenses for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the State Employees Retirement Commission Management Trustee Timothy A. Ryor's Per Diem Expenses Reimbursement for November 2025.
6. Request Commission Acceptance of Invoices from Rose Kallor for November 2025.

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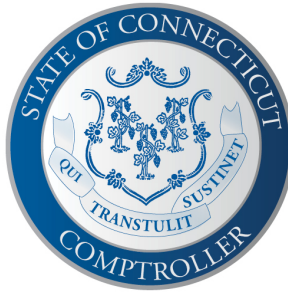
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- i. At 9:12 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the invoices from Rose Kallor for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the invoices from Rose Kallor for November 2025.
7. Request Commission Acceptance of the Invoices from Robinson and Cole for Federal Tax Matter Services for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:12 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the invoices from Robinson and Cole for Federal Tax Matter Services for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the invoices from Robinson and Cole for Federal Tax Matter Services for November 2025.
8. Request Commission Approval of the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Service Retirements for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:12 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Service Retirements for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Service Retirements for November 2025.
9. Request Commission Approval of the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Voluntary Pending Retirements for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:12 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Voluntary Pending Retirements for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Voluntary Pending Retirements for November 2025.
10. Request Commission Approval of the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Disability Retirements for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:12 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Disability Retirements for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, the Chairman called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Disability Retirements for November 2025.

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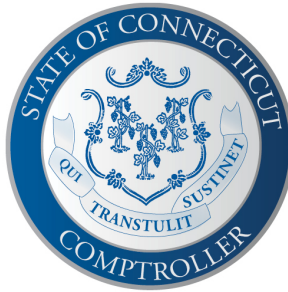
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11. Request Commission Approval of the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Retroactive Retirements for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:12 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Retroactive Retirements for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, the Chairman called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the Connecticut State Employees Retirement System Retroactive Retirements for November 2025.
12. Request Commission Acceptance of Recommendations by Medical Examining Board for SERS Continued Entitlement Approvals for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:13 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the recommendations by the Medical Examining Board for SERS Continued Entitlement Approvals for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iii. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the recommendations by the Medical Examining Board for SERS Continued Entitlement Approvals for November 2025.
13. Request Commission Acceptance of Recommendations by Medical Examining Board for SERS Continued Entitlement Tabled and Denials for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:13 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to accept the recommendations by the Medical Examining Board for SERS Continued Entitlement Tabled and Denials for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - iv. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to accept the recommendations by the Medical Examining Board for SERS Continued Entitlement Tabled and Denials for November 2025.
14. Request Commission Approval of the RSD to Discontinue Disability Apps. 1-Year Limitations for November 2025.
 - i. At 9:13 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to approve the RSD to Discontinue Disability Applications for the 1-Year limitations period for November 2025.
 - ii. Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote.
 - v. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to approve the RSD to Discontinue Disability Applications for the 1-Year limitations period for November 2025.

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Executive Session – discussion and possible action

1. Judicial Retirement System refunds – written legal opinion.
2. Patrick Butler v. SERC - pending litigation/pending claim.
3. Roderick Porter v. SERC – pending litigation.

At 9:14 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to suspend the regular meeting and go into executive session for the purpose of discussing Items 1-3. Bruce Barth, Cindy Cieslak, Robert Helfand, John Herrington, Virginia McGarrity, Michael Rose, and Benjamin Sedrowski were invited by the Commission to stay for executive session on Items 1-3 because they may give opinions or factual background with respect to the topics at issue. The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote. The Commission voted unanimously in favor to enter executive session to discuss Items 1-3.

At 9:28 a.m., Mr. Bailey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to exit executive session. The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote. The Commission voted unanimously to exit executive session.

Public Session

At 9:29 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Bailey to table Item #1 while the Commission awaits further information. All voted in favor.

At 9:29 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Bailey to approve the draft declaratory ruling regarding Mr. Butler's claim. All voted in favor.

Adjournment

With no further business before the Commission, Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Bailey to adjourn the meeting at 9:29 a.m. The Commission voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Peter Adomeit, Chairman

Prepared by John Herrington
Director Retirement Services Division