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During the 2009 Fall Session of the 96th General Assembly the ILFOP formed a coalition with other leaders from police and fire associations and the Illinois Public Pension Association. The Municipal League had just begun their attack against public employees' pensions. While the Public Safety Employee Coalition opposed the benefit reductions for new employees, we were successful in maintaining current employees' benefits and contribution levels, minimizing benefit reductions for new employees, and securing meaningful funding compliance language for all of the funds in the face of strong opposition by the municipal lobby. The challenge now is to maintain and grow the coalition and continue to fight for our members during the 97th General Assembly.

Listed below are several bills that have been introduced in the first weeks of the Spring Session that are being tracked on the ILFOP Watch List:

HB 001 Union Contributions	SB 29 Pensions-New Employees
HB 146 Pensions-Salary	SB 32 Pensions-Investments
HB 149 Pensions-Benefits	SB 36 Pension Funding and Fairness
HB 191 Part Time Police Hours	SB 105 Pensions-Election of Benefits
HB 1150 Public Labor-Arbitration	SB 148 Public Labor-Policy Employees
HB 1325 Pensions-Optional Retirement Plan	SB 1679 Pensions-Investments
HB 1427 Workers Compensation-Municipality Size	SB 1902 Pensions-Transfer Cost
HB 1459 Public Labor-Manning Levels	SB 2156 Pensions-Increases Funding Requirements
HJRCA-5 Pension Increase Vote	SB 2163 Police Training-Licensing

The State Lodge has a full-time lobbyist who argues for your rights in the legislature, but urges members and their families to contact your State Senator or State Representative to tell them how you and your family will be affected. You can contact legislators through these channels:

[Board of Elections website.](#)
[Members of the Illinois House of Representatives](#)
[Members of the Illinois Senate](#)

The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability (COGFA) is a group of legislators specifically responsible for conducting financial impact analysis for the General Assembly. Contact Commissioners at <http://www.ilga.gov/commission/cgfa2006/LegislativeMember.aspx>

Please look to the [Legislative Page](#) of our website, and our [Facebook](#) page for more information on the ongoing status of these and other bills we are tracking. If you are interested in becoming involved, please call the office at 800-522-2677 to speak with ILFOP staff.