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The Honorable Tina McKinnor
Chair, Assembly Committee on Public Employment and Retirement
1020 N Street, Room 153
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 1383 (McKinnor) Public employees' retirement benefits.
OPPOSE (As Amended May 13, 2026)

Dear Assembly Member McKinnor,

The City of Lomita respectfully opposes AB 1383, which would make significant changes to public employee retirement benefits and increase pension liability for public agencies.

PEPRA was adopted to promote long term pension sustainability and help local agencies manage future retirement costs. AB 1383 would weaken those reforms by increasing pensionable compensation limits and allowing expanded retirement benefit formulas for certain public safety members beginning January 1, 2027. As amended May 13, 2026, the bill maintains changes that could increase future costs for CalPERS employers and public agencies.

The City recognizes the importance of recruiting and retaining qualified public safety professionals. However, AB 1383 would create additional cost pressures at a time when cities are already managing rising pension obligations, service costs, infrastructure needs, and broader fiscal uncertainty. For a small contract city like Lomita, even incremental increases to long term pension costs can affect the City's ability to maintain core services and plan responsibly for future obligations.

While Lomita supports fair and competitive compensation for public employees, AB 1383 does not adequately balance workforce needs with taxpayer fairness, local fiscal sustainability, and the long-term stability of public retirement systems.

For these reasons, the City of Lomita respectfully opposes AB 1383.

Sincerely,

Cindy Segawa
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