

## **Denton ISD Board Topics**

## Relating to TRS Active Care and the 85th Legislature

- Status of HB 1998 and SB 789
  - o SB 789
    - Stated that entities with more than 1000 employees on January 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 (measure date), may not participate in the TRS Active Care program on or after September 1<sup>st</sup> 2018. Also stated that entities with less than 1000 employees would have a one-time option to exit the plan and that vote would be cast on 01/01/2018 for a 09/01/2018 effective date. This would, in our opinion, create adverse selection with all healthy entities leaving the TRS Active Care Plan for better rates and plan designs, while the unhealthy groups would stay in Active Care further deteriorating the plan.
    - SB 789 did not make it out of committee
  - o HB 1998
    - Stated that regional rating could be established for the TRS Active Care Plan. Also included language that would allow entities to exit the TRS Active Care Plan.
    - HB 1998 made it out of committee but was never heard and therefore died
  - Special Session
    - Governor Abbott has called a special session to begin on 07/18/2017. There are 20 items listed on the agenda with one of those being a pay increase of \$1,000 to all teachers, however there was no mention of any items related to TRS Active Care. Therefore the issue is more than likely tabled until the next legislative session (86<sup>th</sup> Legislature) beginning on 01/08/2019.