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From: Barbara Bartholomew
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I appreciate your making the Employees Retirement System of Texas Staff Report available and the opportunity to comment. First, thank you for asking larger questions and identifying larger issues than I pointed out in my original e-mail. On the whole I believe that if the Legislature adopts your recommendations, ERS will be strengthened for the people who rely on it and for Texas as a good place to invest a lifetime of work. Second, I believe ERS's preoccupation with cutting costs did not originate with that body. I urge you to use all your powers of persuasion with the Legislature to strengthen ERS's programs and ERS's means of carrying them out.

Sincerely,
Barbara Bartholomew