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Agency: BOARD TRUSTEES EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM TEXAS ERS

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or
Opposed: The Staff Report did not address the issue of the composition of the Board of Trustees.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: The Board has only 6 members. Three appointed and three elected from the active employee class.

There is no retiree class member on the board. Retirees represent about 90,000 people in the ERS plan. They should have an elected voice on the board. An additional board member would reduce the likelihood of tie votes on the board, and also reduce the likelihood of the board being unable to achieve a quorum to conduct its business. Please see HB 3227, HB 3573, and SB 1146 from the most recent legislative session.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree