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Dear Representatives,

My name is Adam Farrell, and I am emailing you in regards to HB 79. I was born and raised in Alaska, and in 2007 I was lucky enough to get my dream job with the Anchorage Fire Department. Since I was hired in 2007 that put me in the first group in the Tier IV retirement system. I am writing in support of HB 79, and urging all of you to move it through the legislative process. As some of you might know, it is very expensive to train new public safety employees. What we are starting to see is people leave after they get their training and some experience. I do not blame them for doing this because I have considered doing a lateral hire to another fire department in Washington. Being married and having three beautiful daughters really makes me consider how I am going to manage retirement, and moving out of state is a very real option. The decision to move out of Alaska does not come lightly to me, but I have to think about what's best for my family. Thanks for taking the time to read my email.

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