



City of Pelican

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Dear Senate State Affairs Committee Members

Subject: Support for SB 48

The City of Pelican has had significant population decline in the last decade due to the closure of the fish processing facility here. The City has had to endure economic hardship due to loss of revenue. Revenue decline has resulted in the need to reduce staff, so our total salary subject to PERS has declined below the 2008 floor. We have had to pay PERS on the wage amount of the 2008 floor which adds to the burden of financing city services. We understand that the 2008 floor was established to prevent 'gaming the system'. We can assure you that Pelican is not gaming the system, we are struggling for survival and paying PERS on wages that we don't even have anymore simply isn't helping.

Please support SB 48 so that Pelican can continue to provide services to our remaining residents.

Sincerely

Clint Bean

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Mayor