

# Public Retirement

## H.B. 184

**Primary Sponsor:** Rep. Carfagna

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- Authorizes the Ohio Police and Fire Pension Fund (OP&F) Board of Trustees to assign advanced practice registered nurses and physician assistants, in addition to physicians and vocational evaluators, to examine OP&F members applying for disability benefits.
- Permits the Board to (1) grant disability benefits based solely on a member's application and supporting medical documentation or (2) require, before granting benefits, the member to undergo a medical examination, vocational evaluation, or both.
- Requires, for a member's disabling condition to be considered permanent, that the condition be expected to last for at least a continuous 12-month period after a disability benefit application is filed.
- Removes the requirement that the pre-employment examination of a prospective member be conducted by a physician.