ADAMS SUBSTITUTE FLOOR AMENDMENT HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO S.B. 1609

I move the following SUBSTITUTE amendment to the EMPLOYMENT AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS Committee Amendment to

SENATE BILL 1609 (Reference to Senate engrossed bill)

1 Page 1, between lines 1 and 2, insert:

"Section 1. Title 13, chapter 7, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 13-713, to read:

13-713. <u>Forfeiture of public retirement system benefits</u>; definition

- A. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LAW, IF A MEMBER OF A STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN IS CONVICTED OF OR PLEADS NO CONTEST TO AN OFFENSE THAT IS A CLASS 1, 2, 3, 4 OR 5 FELONY AND THAT WAS COMMITTED IN THE COURSE OF THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYMENT AS A PUBLIC OFFICIAL OR FOR A PUBLIC EMPLOYER, THE COURT SHALL ORDER THE PERSON'S MEMBERSHIP TERMINATED AND THE PERSON SHALL FORFEIT ALL RIGHTS AND BENEFITS EARNED UNDER THE STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN. A MEMBER WHO FORFEITS ALL RIGHTS AND BENEFITS EARNED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE, IN A LUMP SUM AMOUNT, THE MEMBER'S CONTRIBUTION TO THE STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN PLUS INTEREST AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF THAT STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN, LESS ANY BENEFITS RECEIVED BY THE MEMBER.
- B. AN ORDER FORFEITING A MEMBER'S BENEFITS ON CONVICTION OF AN OFFENSE LISTED IN SUBSECTION A SHALL NOT BE STAYED ON THE FILING OF ANY APPEAL OF THE CONVICTION. WHILE AN APPEAL OF THE CONVICTION IS BEING ADJUDICATED AND UNTIL A FINAL JUDGMENT IS ISSUED, FOR A MEMBER WHO IS NOT RECEIVING BENEFITS, THE MEMBER AND THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYER ARE REQUIRED TO CONTINUE MAKING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN AND FOR A MEMBER WHO IS RECEIVING BENEFITS, THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN SHALL SUSPEND PAYMENTS TO THE MEMBER AND HOLD THE ASSETS IN TRUST. IF THE CONVICTION IS REVERSED ON FINAL JUDGMENT, NO RIGHTS OR BENEFITS SHALL BE FORFEITED AND THE MEMBER'S MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE REINSTATED.

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- C. NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION A. THE COURT MAY AWARD TO A SPOUSE. 1 2 DEPENDENT OR FORMER SPOUSE OF A MEMBER WHO IS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION A SOME OR 3 ALL OF THE AMOUNT THAT WAS FORFEITED UNDER SUBSECTION A. THE AWARD UNDER 4 THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT REQUIRE THE BOARD OF THE STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN TO PROVIDE ANY TYPE, FORM OR TIME OF PAYMENT OF SEVERANCE, SURVIVOR OR 5 RETIREMENT BENEFITS OR ANY SEVERANCE, SURVIVOR OR RETIREMENT BENEFIT OPTION 6 THAT IS NOT PROVIDED BY THE LAWS GOVERNING THE STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR 7 8 PLAN FROM WHICH THE AWARD IS BEING MADE. IN DETERMINING WHETHER TO MAKE AN AWARD UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE JUDGE SHALL CONSIDER THE TOTALITY OF 9 CIRCUMSTANCES, INCLUDING: 10
 - 1. THE ROLE, IF ANY, OF THE PERSON'S SPOUSE, DEPENDENT OR FORMER SPOUSE IN CONNECTION WITH THE ILLEGAL CONDUCT FOR WHICH THE PERSON WAS CONVICTED.
 - 2. THE DEGREE OF KNOWLEDGE, IF ANY, POSSESSED BY THE PERSON'S SPOUSE, DEPENDENT OR FORMER SPOUSE IN CONNECTION WITH THE ILLEGAL CONDUCT FOR WHICH THE PERSON WAS CONVICTED.
 - 3. THE COMMUNITY PROPERTY NATURE OF THE BENEFITS INVOLVED.
 - 4. THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE PERSON'S SPOUSE, DEPENDENT OR FORMER SPOUSE WAS RELYING ON THE FORFEITED BENEFITS.
 - D. NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION H, THE COURT SHALL ORDER THAT A PERSON WHO IS SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE UNDER THIS SECTION IS INELIGIBLE FOR FUTURE MEMBERSHIP IN ANY STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN.
 - E. THE COURT SHALL PROVIDE A COPY OF THE ORDER OF FORFEITURE TO THE STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN TO WHICH IT APPLIES.
 - F. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A MEMBER WHOSE MOST RECENT RETIREMENT OCCURS BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE MEMBER HAS RESUMED MAKING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN.
 - G. NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION A, A COURT SHALL NOT ORDER THE FORFEITURE OF RIGHTS AND BENEFITS EARNED UNDER THE STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN THAT ACCRUED BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION OR FOR A FELONY COMMITTED BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.
 - H. THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO THE STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN IN WHICH THE PERSON WAS A CONTRIBUTING MEMBER AT THE TIME THE OFFENSE WAS COMMITTED.
 - I. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR PLAN" MEANS THE ARIZONA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM ESTABLISHED BY TITLE 38, CHAPTER 5,

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1 ARTICLE 2, THE ELECTED OFFICIALS' RETIREMENT PLAN ESTABLISHED BY TITLE 38, CHAPTER 5. ARTICLE 3. THE PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM 2 3 ESTABLISHED BY TITLE 38, CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 4 AND THE CORRECTIONS OFFICER 4 RETIREMENT PLAN ESTABLISHED BY TITLE 38, CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 6. Sec. 2. Section 38-711, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 5

38-711. <u>Definitions</u>

In this article, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 1. "Active member" means a member as defined in paragraph 23, subdivision (b) of this section who satisfies the eligibility criteria prescribed in section 38-727 and who is currently making member contributions as prescribed in section 38-736.
- 2. "Actuarial equivalent" means equality in value of the aggregate amounts expected to be received under two different forms of payment, based on mortality and interest rate assumptions approved from time to time by the board.
- 3. "ASRS" means the Arizona state retirement system established by this article.
- 4. "Assets" means the resources of ASRS including all cash, investments or securities.
 - 5. "Average monthly compensation" means:
- (a) For a member whose membership in ASRS commenced before January 1, 1984 and who left the member's contributions on deposit or reinstated forfeited credited service pursuant to section 38-742 for a period of employment that commenced before January 1, 1984, the higher of either:
- (i) The monthly average of compensation that is calculated pursuant to subdivision (b) of this paragraph.
- (ii) The monthly average of compensation on which contributions were remitted during a period of sixty consecutive months during which the member receives the highest compensation within the last one hundred twenty months of credited service. Any month for which no contributions are reported to ASRS or that falls within a period of nonpaid or partially paid leave of absence or sabbatical leave shall be excluded from the computation. The sixty consecutive months may entirely precede, may be both before and after or may be completely after any excluded months. If the member was employed for less than sixty consecutive months, the average monthly compensation is based on the total consecutive months worked. Payments for accumulated vacation or annual leave, sick leave, compensatory time or other forms of

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termination pay which, before August 12, 2005, constitute compensation for members whose membership in ASRS commenced before January 1, 1984, do not cease to be included as compensation if paid in the form of nonelective employer contributions under a 26 United States Code section 403(b) plan if all payments of employer and employee contributions are made at the time of termination. Contributions shall be made to ASRS on these amounts pursuant to sections 38-735, 38-736 and 38-737.

- (b) For a member whose membership in ASRS commenced on or after January 1, 1984 but before July 1, 2011, the monthly average of compensation on which contributions were remitted during a period of thirty-six consecutive months during which a member receives the highest compensation within the last one hundred twenty months of credited service. Any month for which no contributions are reported to ASRS or that falls within a period of nonpaid or partially paid leave of absence or sabbatical leave shall be excluded from the computation. The thirty-six consecutive months may entirely precede, may be both before and after or may be completely after any excluded months. If the member was employed for less than thirty-six consecutive months, the average monthly compensation shall be based on the total consecutive months worked.
- (c) For a member whose membership in ASRS commenced on or after July 1, 2011, the monthly average of compensation on which contributions were remitted during a period of sixty consecutive months during which a member receives the highest compensation within the last one hundred twenty months of credited service. Any month for which no contributions are reported to ASRS or that falls within a period of nonpaid or partially paid leave of absence or sabbatical leave shall be excluded from the computation. The sixty consecutive months may entirely precede, may be both before and after or may be completely after any excluded months. If the member was employed for less than sixty consecutive months, the average monthly compensation shall be based on the total consecutive months worked.
 - 6. "Board" means the ASRS board established in section 38-713.
- 7. "Compensation" means the gross amount paid to a member by an employer as salary or wages, including amounts that are subject to deferred compensation or tax shelter agreements, for services rendered to or for an employer, or that would have been paid to the member except for the member's election or a legal requirement that all or part of the gross amount be used for other purposes, but does not include amounts paid in excess of

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compensation limits established in section 38-746. Compensation includes amounts paid as salary or wages to a member by a second employer if the member meets the requirements prescribed in paragraph 23, subdivision (b) of this section with that second employer. Compensation, as provided in paragraph 5, subdivision (b) or (c) of this section, does not include:

- (a) Lump sum payments, on termination of employment, for accumulated vacation or annual leave, sick leave, compensatory time or any other form of termination pay whether the payments are made in one payment or by installments over a period of time.
- (b) Damages, costs, attorney fees, interest or other penalties paid pursuant to a court order or a compromise settlement or agreement to satisfy a grievance or claim even though the amount of the payment is based in whole or in part on previous salary or wage levels, except that, if the court order or compromise settlement or agreement directs salary or wages to be paid for a specific period of time, the payment is compensation for that specific period of time. If the amount directed to be paid is less than the actual salary or wages that would have been paid for the period if service had been performed, the contributions for the period shall be based on the amount of compensation that would have been paid if the service had been performed.
- (c) Payment, at the member's option, in lieu of fringe benefits that are normally paid for or provided by the employer.
- (d) Merit awards pursuant to section 38-613 and performance bonuses paid to assistant attorneys general pursuant to section 41-192.
- (e) Amounts that are paid as salary or wages to a member for which employer contributions have not been paid.
- 8. "Contingent annuitant" means the person named by a member to receive retirement income payable following a member's death after retirement as provided in section 38-760.
- 9. "Credited service" means, subject to section 38-739, the number of years standing to the member's credit on the books of ASRS during which the member made the required contributions.
 - 10. "Current annual compensation" means the greater of:
- (a) Annualized compensation of the typical pay period amount immediately before the date of a request to ASRS to purchase credited service pursuant to section 38-743, 38-744 or 38-745. The typical pay period amount shall be determined by taking the five pay periods immediately before the

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date of a request, disregarding the highest and lowest compensation amount pay periods and averaging the three remaining pay periods.

- (b) Annualized compensation of the partial year, disregarding the first compensation amount pay period, if the member has less than twelve months total credited service on the date of a request to purchase credited service pursuant to section 38-743, 38-744 or 38-745.
- (c) The sum of the twelve months of compensation immediately before the date of a request to ASRS to purchase credited service pursuant to section 38-743, 38-744 or 38-745.
- (d) The sum of the thirty-six months of compensation immediately before the date of a request to ASRS to purchase credited service pursuant to section 38-743, 38-744 or 38-745 divided by three.
- (e) If the member has retired one or more times from ASRS, the average monthly compensation that was used for calculating the member's last pension benefit times twelve.
- 11. "Early retirement" means retirement before a member's normal retirement date after five years of total credited service and attainment of age fifty.
- 12. "Effective date" means July 1, 1970, except with respect to employers and members whose contributions to ASRS commence thereafter, the effective date of their membership in ASRS is as specified in the applicable joinder agreement.
 - 13. "Employer" means:
 - (a) This state.
 - (b) Participating political subdivisions.
 - (c) Participating political subdivision entities.
- 14. "Employer contributions" means all amounts paid into ASRS by an employer on behalf of a member.
- 15. "Fiscal year" means the period from July 1 of any year to June 30 of the following year.
- 16. "Inactive member" means a member who previously made contributions to ASRS and who satisfies each of the following:
 - (a) Has not retired.
 - (b) Is not eligible for active membership in ASRS.
 - (c) Is not currently making contributions to ASRS.
 - (d) Has not withdrawn contributions from ASRS.

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- 17. "Interest" means the assumed actuarial investment earnings rate approved by the board.
- 18. "Internal revenue code" means the United States internal revenue code of 1986, as amended.
- 19. "Investment management" means the persons, companies, banks, insurance company investment funds, mutual fund companies, management or any combinations of those entities that are appointed by ASRS and that have responsibility and authority for investment of the monies of ASRS.
 - 20. "Late retirement" means retirement after normal retirement.
- 21. "Leave of absence" means any unpaid leave authorized by the employer, including leaves authorized for sickness or disability or to pursue education or training.
- 22. "Life annuity" means equal monthly installments payable during the member's lifetime after retirement.
 - 23. "Member":
 - (a) Means any employee of an employer on the effective date.
- (b) Means all employees of an employer who are eligible for membership pursuant to section 38-727 and who are engaged to work at least twenty weeks in each fiscal year and at least twenty hours each week.
 - (c) Means any person receiving a benefit under ASRS.
- (d) Means any person who is a former active member of ASRS and who has not withdrawn contributions from ASRS pursuant to section 38-740.
- (e) Does not include any employee of an employer who is otherwise eligible pursuant to this article and who begins service in a limited appointment for not more than eighteen months on or after July 1, 1979. If the employment exceeds eighteen months, the employee shall be covered by ASRS as of the beginning of the nineteenth month of employment. In order to be excluded under this subdivision, classifications of employees designated by employers as limited appointments must be approved by the director.
- (f) Does not include any leased employee. For the purposes of section 414(n) of the internal revenue code, "leased employee" means an individual who:
 - (i) Is not otherwise an employee of an employer.
- (ii) Pursuant to a leasing agreement between the employer and another person, performs services for the employer on a substantially full-time basis for at least one year.

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- (iii) Performs services under the primary direction or control of the employer.
 - 24. "Member contributions" means all amounts paid to ASRS by a member.
 - 25. "Normal costs" means the sum of the individual normal costs for all active members for each fiscal year. The normal cost for an individual active member is the cost that is assigned to the fiscal year using the projected unit credit method.
 - 26. "Normal retirement age" means the age at which a member reaches the member's normal retirement date.
 - 27. "Normal retirement date" means the earliest of the following:
 - (a) FOR A MEMBER WHOSE MEMBERSHIP COMMENCED BEFORE JULY 1, 2011:
 - (a) (i) A member's sixty-fifth birthday.
 - (b) (ii) A member's sixty-second birthday and completion of at least ten years of credited service.
 - (c) (iii) For a member whose membership commenced before July 1, 2011, The first day that the sum of a member's age and years of total credited service equals eighty. For a member whose membership commenced on or after July 1, 2011, the first day that the sum of a member's age and years of total credited service equals eighty-five.
 - (b) FOR A MEMBER WHOSE MEMBERSHIP COMMENCED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2011:
 - (i) A MEMBER'S SIXTY-FIFTH BIRTHDAY.
 - (ii) A MEMBER'S SIXTY-SECOND BIRTHDAY AND COMPLETION OF AT LEAST TEN YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE.
 - (iii) A MEMBER'S SIXTIETH BIRTHDAY AND COMPLETION OF AT LEAST TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE.
 - (iv) A MEMBER'S FIFTY-FIFTH BIRTHDAY AND COMPLETION OF AT LEAST THIRTY YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE.
 - 28. "Political subdivision" means any political subdivision of this state and includes a political subdivision entity.
 - 29. "Political subdivision entity" means an entity:
 - (a) That is located in this state.
 - (b) That is created in whole or in part by political subdivisions, including instrumentalities of political subdivisions.
 - (c) Where a majority of the membership of the entity is composed of political subdivisions.
 - (d) Whose primary purpose is the performance of a government related service.

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- 30. "Retired member" means a member who is receiving retirement benefits pursuant to this article.
 - 31. "Service year" means fiscal year, except that:
 - (a) If the normal work year required of a member is less than the full fiscal year but is for a period of at least nine months, the service year is the normal work year.
 - (b) For a salaried member employed on a contract basis under one contract, or two or more consecutive contracts, for a total period of at least nine months, the service year is the total period of the contract or consecutive contracts.
 - (c) In determining average monthly compensation pursuant to paragraph 5 of this section, the service year is considered to be twelve months of compensation.
 - 32. "State" means this state, including any department, office, board, commission, agency, institution or other instrumentality of this state.
 - 33. "Vested" means that a member is eligible to receive a future retirement benefit."

Renumber to conform

Page 2, between lines 38 and 39, insert:

"Sec. 4. Repeal

Section 38-728, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.

- Sec. 5. Section 38-743, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:
- 38-743. Public service credit
- A. If an active member of ASRS or a member who is receiving benefits pursuant to section 38-797.07 was previously employed by the United States government, a state, territory, commonwealth, overseas possession or insular area of the United States or a political subdivision of a state, territory, commonwealth, overseas possession or insular area of the United States, excluding any time worked for a prison while the member was incarcerated, the member may receive UP TO SIXTY MONTHS OF credited service for this prior employment if the member pays into ASRS the amount prescribed in subsection B of this section.
- B. A member who elects to receive credit for service with the United States government, a state, territory, commonwealth, overseas possession or insular area of the United States or a political subdivision of a state, territory, commonwealth, overseas possession or insular area of the United States shall pay to ASRS an amount equal to the present value of the

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additional benefit that is derived from the purchased credited service using the actuarial assumptions that are approved by the board.

- C. A member who previously was a member of another public employee retirement system and who receives or is eligible to receive retirement benefits from that system for any period of employment is ineligible to receive retirement benefits from ASRS for the same period.
- D. Beginning July 1, 2010, A member shall have at least five TEN years of credited service in ASRS before electing to receive credit for service pursuant to this section.
 - Sec. 6. Section 38-744, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 38-744. Leave of absence; credit for leave without pay
- A. If an active member of ASRS or a member who is receiving benefits pursuant to section 38-797.07 is officially granted a leave of absence from employment without pay and returns to employment with the same employer, unless employment could not be resumed because of disability or nonavailability of a position, the member may elect to be credited with service for retirement purposes for not more than one year of the leave, BUT NOT MORE THAN A TOTAL OF SIXTY MONTHS UNDER THIS SECTION, by paying to ASRS the amounts as provided in subsection B of this section, if the member has not withdrawn contributions from ASRS and the member's employer has certified that the leave of absence benefits or is in the best interests of the employer.
- B. A member who elects to be credited with a leave period as provided in subsection A of this section shall pay to ASRS an amount equal to the present value of the additional benefit that is derived from the purchased credited service using the actuarial assumptions that are approved by the board.
- C. Beginning July 1, 2010, A member shall have at least five TEN years of credited service in ASRS before electing to receive credit for service pursuant to this section.
- D. For the purposes of subsection A of this section, each employer shall adopt rules establishing guidelines for a leave of absence that benefits or is in the best interests of the employer.

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- Sec. 7. Section 38-745, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 38-745. Credit for military service
- A. An active member of ASRS or a member who is receiving benefits pursuant to section 38-797.07 may purchase UP TO SIXTY MONTHS OF credited service in ASRS for active military service if all of the following apply:
 - 1. The member was honorably separated from the military service.
- 2. The member submits a copy of the member's military service record (DD-214) or its equivalent with the member's application for military service credit.
- 3. Beginning July 1, 2010, A member has at least $\frac{\text{five}}{\text{TEN}}$ TEN years of credited service in ASRS.
 - 4. THE MEMBER IS NOT YET ELIGIBLE FOR A MILITARY RETIREMENT BENEFIT.
- B. The cost to purchase military service credit is an amount equal to the present value of the additional benefit that is derived from the purchased credited service using the actuarial assumptions that are approved by the board.
- C. An active member of ASRS who is called to active military service may receive credited service for not more than sixty months of active military service, except as provided by the uniformed services employment and reemployment rights act (38 United States Code section 4312(c)). The member's employer shall make employer contributions and member contributions for the member if the member meets the following requirements:
- 1. Was an active member of ASRS on the day before the member began active military service.
- 2. Is a member of the Arizona national guard or is a member of the reserves of any military establishment of the United States.
- 3. Volunteers or is ordered into active military service of the United States as part of a military call-up.
 - 4. One of the following occurs:
- (a) Is honorably separated from active military service and returns to employment for the same employer from which the member left for active military service within ninety days after the date active military service is terminated.
- (b) Is hospitalized as a result of military service and returns to employment for the same employer from which the member left for active military service within ninety days after release from service related hospitalization.

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- (c) Becomes disabled as a result of or during the military service and is unable to return to the same employer.
 - (d) Dies as a result of or during the military service.
- D. Contributions made pursuant to subsection C of this section shall be for the period of time beginning on the date the member began active military service and ending on the later of one of the following dates:
 - 1. The date the member is separated from active military service.
- 2. The date the member is released from service related hospitalization or one year after initiation of service related hospitalization, whichever date is earlier.
 - 3. One year after the date of disability.
- 4. The date the member dies as a result of or during active military service.
- E. Notwithstanding any other law, on payment of the contributions made pursuant to subsection C of this section, the member shall be credited with service for retirement purposes for the period of time of active military service of not more than sixty months.
- F. The employer shall make contributions pursuant to subsection ${\tt C}$ of this section as follows:
- 1. Contributions shall be based on the compensation that a member would have received but for the period that the member was ordered into active military service.
- 2. If the employer cannot reasonably determine a member's rate of compensation for the period that the member was ordered into active military service, the employer shall make contributions based on the member's average rate of compensation during the twelve-month period immediately preceding the period of active military service.
- 3. If a member has been employed less than twelve months before being ordered into active military service, the employer shall make contributions based on the employment period immediately preceding the period of active military service.
- 4. Employer contributions shall be made in a lump sum and without penalty when the member returns to employment, when it is determined that the member is unable to return to employment because of a disability as a result of or that occurred during military service or on receipt of the member's death certificate. If a member suffers a service related death, the employer shall make the employer and member contributions up to and including the date

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of the member's death. Death benefits shall be calculated as prescribed by law.

- G. In computing the length of total credited service of a member for the purpose of determining retirement benefits or eligibility, the period of military service, as prescribed by this section, shall be included.
- H. Notwithstanding any other law, the member is not required to reimburse the member's employer or ASRS for any contribution made pursuant to subsection C of this section.
- I. In addition to, but not in duplication of, the provisions of subsection C of this section, contributions, benefits and credited service provided pursuant to this section shall be provided in accordance with section 414(u) of the internal revenue code.
 - Sec. 8. Section 38-758, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 38-758. Early retirement
- A. A member who has attained age fifty and who has five years of total credited service is eligible to elect, in a form and manner prescribed by the board, to receive a reduced retirement income.
- B. For a member whose membership in ASRS commenced before July 1, 2011, the benefit payable to a member electing early retirement shall be determined by reducing the normal retirement benefit computed in accordance with section 38-757 either:
- 1. At the rate of three per cent per year from age sixty to age sixty-five and five per cent per year from age fifty to age sixty. The reduction in normal retirement benefits pursuant to this paragraph for an eligible member electing early retirement shall be based on the period from the date of commencement of early retirement benefits to the member's sixtieth birthday if the member has at least twenty years of total credited service, sixty-second birthday if the member has at least ten but less than twenty years of total credited service or sixty-fifth birthday if the member has at least five but less than ten years of total credited service.
- 2. If the sum of a member's age and years of total credited service equals seventy-seven or more, but is less than eighty, at the rate of three per cent for each unit of one or fraction of one by which the sum is less than eighty.
- C. For a member whose membership in ASRS commenced on or after July 1, 2011, the benefit payable to a member electing early retirement shall be

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determined by reducing the normal retirement benefit computed in accordance with section 38-757 by the lesser of either:

1. at the rate of three per cent per year from age sixty to age sixty-five and five per cent per year from age fifty to age sixty. The reduction in normal retirement benefits pursuant to this paragraph SUBSECTION for an eligible member electing early retirement shall be based on the period from the date of commencement of early retirement benefits to the member's sixty-second birthday if the member has at least ten years of total credited service or sixty-fifth birthday if the member has at least five but less than ten years of total credited service.

2. If the sum of a member's age and years of total credited service equals eighty-two or more, but is less than eighty-five, at the rate of three per cent for each unit of one or fraction of one by which the sum is less than eighty-five.

- Sec. 9. Section 38-766, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:
- 38-766. Retired members: return to work; suspension of benefits:

exceptions; maximum benefit

- A. A retired member who is engaged to work by an employer for at least twenty weeks in each fiscal year and at least twenty hours per week resumes active membership in ASRS. ASRS shall suspend payment of the member's retirement benefits until the member either:
- 1. Terminates employment and files an application for reretirement on a form that is approved by the director.
- 2. Attains a normal retirement date, no longer meets the requirements for active membership pursuant to this subsection and files an application for reretirement on a form that is approved by the director.
- B. A RETIRED MEMBER WHOSE RETIREMENT BENEFITS HAVE BEEN SUSPENDED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION SHALL REPAY ASRS ANY RETIREMENT BENEFITS RECEIVED BY THE MEMBER FROM THE DATE ASRS NOTIFIES THE MEMBER IN WRITING THAT THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYMENT RESULTED IN ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP IN ASRS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION, FROM THE DATE ASRS DETERMINES THAT THE MEMBER KNEW OR SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYMENT RESULTED IN MEMBERSHIP IN ASRS PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION OR FOR ANY OTHER PERIOD THAT APPROXIMATES THE DURATION OF THE VIOLATION, AS DETERMINED BY ASRS.
- ${\tt B.}$ C. A member who satisfies subsection A, paragraph 1 or 2 of this section is entitled to receive an annuity recomputed to include the

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additional compensation and credited service. However, the recomputed annuity shall be in the original optional form chosen pursuant to section 38-760, with the same beneficiary, if applicable, as when the member first retired, unless the member has resumed active membership for at least sixty consecutive months. A member who retired under a provision of law allowing increased benefits if the retirement occurred during a specific period of time and who subsequently becomes an employee under ASRS shall not retain the increased benefits under the prior law when benefits are computed for the member's most recent retirement.

- C. D. Notwithstanding subsection A of this section, ASRS shall not suspend the payment of retirement benefits if a retired member begins or returns to employment with an employer in a position that satisfies all of the following:
- 1. Results in a true change in position, job duties and job title from the position occupied by the member before ASRS retirement.
 - 2. Either:
- (a) Requires participation in another state retirement system, plan or program and the retired member makes contributions or waives participation pursuant to section 38-804, subsection A.
- (b) Permits a member to elect to participate in another state retirement system, plan or program and the member makes such an election.
- 3. Does not require membership in the defined benefit plan established by this article.
- Dof this section does not accrue credited service, member service as provided in section 15-1628, subsection B, paragraph 4, additional account balances, retirement benefits or long-term disability program benefits pursuant to article 2.1 of this chapter for the period the retired member returns to work. The period the retired member returns to work is not eligible for purchase under section 38-743 or 38-744.
- E. F. Section 38-769, subsection L applies when determining the maximum benefit that may be paid to a retired member who resumes active membership and subsequently retires.
- G. AN EMPLOYER THAT ENGAGED THE RETIRED MEMBER TO WORK PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL PAY TO ASRS AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE RATE ESTABLISHED BY THE ACTUARY PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-766.02. SUBSECTION B FOR THE PERIOD STARTING

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WITH THE FIRST DAY THE RETIRED MEMBER BEGAN WORKING AFTER RETIREMENT THROUGH THE EARLIER OF:

- 1. THE DATE THE MEMBER TERMINATES EMPLOYMENT.
- 2. THE DATE THE EMPLOYER BEGINS PAYMENT FOR THAT MEMBER PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-766.02.
- 3. THE DATE THE MEMBER RESUMES ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION AND THE MEMBER AND EMPLOYER ARE REQUIRED TO MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-736. 38-737 OR 38-738.
- Sec. 10. Section 38-766.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

38-766.01. Retired members; return to work

- A. Notwithstanding section 38-766, at a retired member's election, a retired member may return to work and still be eligible to receive retirement benefits if all of the following requirements are satisfied:
 - 1. The retired member has attained the member's normal retirement age.
- 2. The retired member terminated DIRECT employment WITH AN EMPLOYER at least twelve months THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE CONSECUTIVE DAYS before returning to work.
- 3. If the retired member returns to work as a teacher, the retired member's employment is not subject to the requirements prescribed in sections 15-536, 15-538, 15-538.01 and 15-539 through 15-543.
- B. A retired member's election to return to work under this section is irrevocable for the remainder of the retired member's employment for which the retiree made the election.
- C. The retired member shall acknowledge this section in writing and file the acknowledgement with the employer within thirty days of returning to work.
- D. An employer of a retired member who returns to work pursuant to this section shall not pay contributions on behalf of the retired member pursuant to section 38-736, 38-737 or 38-797.05.
- E. A retired member who returns to work pursuant to this section does not accrue credited service, member service as provided in section 15-1628, subsection B, paragraph 4, additional account balances, retirement benefits or long-term disability program benefits pursuant to article 2.1 of this chapter for the period the retired member returns to work. The period the retired member returns to work is not eligible for purchase under section 38-743 or 38-744.

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Sec. 11. Title 38, chapter 5, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 38-766.02, to read:

38-766.02. Retired members; return to work; employer contribution payments; definitions

- A. NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 38-766.01, SUBSECTION D, BEGINNING JULY 1, 2012, AN EMPLOYER SHALL PAY CONTRIBUTIONS AT AN ALTERNATE CONTRIBUTION RATE ON BEHALF OF A RETIRED MEMBER WHO RETURNS TO WORK IN ANY CAPACITY IN A POSITION ORDINARILY FILLED BY AN EMPLOYEE OF THE EMPLOYER WHO IS INCLUDED IN AGREEMENTS PROVIDING FOR THEIR COVERAGE UNDER THE FEDERAL OLD AGE AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE SYSTEM. THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES TO A RETIRED MEMBER WHO HAS REACHED A NORMAL RETIREMENT AGE OR A RETIRED MEMBER WHO RETIRED UNDER SECTION 38-758 IF THE RETIRED MEMBER'S RETIREMENT BENEFIT HAS NOT BEEN SUSPENDED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-766.
- B. THE ASRS ACTUARY SHALL DETERMINE THE ALTERNATE CONTRIBUTION RATE IN AN ANNUAL VALUATION PERFORMED AS OF JUNE 30. FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON JULY 1 OF THE FOLLOWING CALENDAR YEAR, THE VALUATION SHALL DETERMINE THE PERCENTAGE TO BE APPLIED TO THE COMPENSATION, GROSS SALARY OR CONTRACT FEE OF A RETIRED MEMBER WHO MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.
- C. THE ALTERNATE CONTRIBUTION RATE SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN TWO PER CENT IN ANY FISCAL YEAR. THE ALTERNATE CONTRIBUTION RATE IS EQUAL TO THE LESSER OF:
- 1. THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATE ESTABLISHED BY THE ASRS ACTUARY PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-737 PLUS THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATE ESTABLISHED BY THE ASRS ACTUARY PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-797.06.
- 2. THE TOTAL PAST SERVICE FUNDING REQUIREMENT RATE ESTABLISHED BY THE ASRS ACTUARY PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-737 PLUS THE TOTAL PAST SERVICE FUNDING REQUIREMENT RATE ESTABLISHED BY THE ASRS ACTUARY PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-797.06.
- D. ASRS SHALL DETERMINE THE SCHEDULE AND METHOD OF PAYMENT OF THE ALTERNATE CONTRIBUTION RATE. SUBJECT TO SECTION 38-738, SUBSECTION A, ALL CONTRIBUTIONS MADE BY THE EMPLOYER AND ALLOCATED TO THE FUND ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 38-712 ARE IRREVOCABLE AND SHALL BE USED AS BENEFITS UNDER THIS ARTICLE OR TO PAY THE EXPENSES OF ASRS. PAYMENTS MADE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION BY EMPLOYERS BECOME DELINQUENT AFTER THE DUE DATE PRESCRIBED IN THE BOARD'S RULES AND THEREAFTER SHALL BE INCREASED BY INTEREST FROM AND AFTER THAT DATE UNTIL PAYMENT IS RECEIVED BY ASRS. ASRS SHALL CHARGE INTEREST ON THE DELINQUENT PAYMENTS AS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 38-711. ASRS MAY RECOVER

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DELINQUENT PAYMENTS DUE UNDER THIS SECTION, TOGETHER WITH INTEREST CHARGES AS
PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION, BY ACTION IN A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION
AGAINST AN EMPLOYER LIABLE FOR PAYMENTS OR, AT THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR,
ASRS MAY DEDUCT THE DELINQUENT PAYMENTS AND INTEREST CHARGES FROM ANY OTHER
MONIES, INCLUDING EXCISE REVENUE TAXES, PAYABLE TO THE EMPLOYER BY ANY
DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY OF THIS STATE.

- E. AN EMPLOYER OF A RETIRED MEMBER SHALL SUBMIT ANY REPORTS, DATA, PAPERWORK OR MATERIALS THAT ARE REQUESTED BY ASRS AND THAT ARE NECESSARY TO DETERMINE THE COMPENSATION, GROSS SALARY OR CONTRACT FEE ASSOCIATED WITH A RETIRED MEMBER WHO RETURNS TO WORK OR TO DETERMINE THE FUNCTION, UTILIZATION, EFFICACY OR OPERATION OF THE RETURN TO WORK PROGRAM.
 - F. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:
- 1. "CONTRACT FEE" MEANS THE GROSS AMOUNT PAID TO A RETIRED MEMBER AS AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR MINUS AN AMOUNT, NOT TO EXCEED TEN PER CENT, FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE.
- 2. "GROSS SALARY" MEANS THE GROSS AMOUNT PAID TO A RETIRED MEMBER BY A LEASING COMPANY AS SALARY OR WAGES, INCLUDING AMOUNTS THAT ARE SUBJECT TO DEFERRED COMPENSATION OR TAX SHELTER AGREEMENTS, FOR SERVICES RENDERED OR THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN PAID TO THE RETIRED MEMBER EXCEPT FOR THE MEMBER'S ELECTION OR A LEGAL REQUIREMENT THAT ALL OR PART OF THE GROSS AMOUNT BE USED FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Renumber to conform

- 23 Page 3, line 13, strike "AND WHO IS NOT A RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL"
- Line 19, strike "A RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL" insert "AN ELECTED OFFICIAL WHO
 BECOMES A MEMBER OF THE PLAN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012"
- Page 4, line 34, after "person" insert "BUT ONLY IF THE ADMINISTRATOR IS EMPLOYED
 BY THE BOARD BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2012"

Strike line 38

- 29 Page 6, strike lines 11 through 14
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- 31 Page 7, line 2, strike "AND WHO IS NOT A RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL"
- Line 38, strike "A RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL" insert "AN ELECTED OFFICIAL WHO
 33 BECOMES A MEMBER OF THE PLAN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012"

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Page 8, after line 43, insert:
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                 "Sec. 14. Title 38, chapter 5, article 3, Arizona Revised Statutes, is
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           amended by adding section 38-804.01, to read:
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                 38-804.01. Reinstatement of credited service; effect of prior
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                 AN ELECTED OFFICIAL WHO RECEIVED A REFUND AS PROVIDED IN SECTION
           38-804, WHO IS SUBSEQUENTLY REEMPLOYED AS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL AND WHO
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           OR AN ELECTED OFFICIAL WHO REDEEMS PRIOR SERVICE PURSUANT TO STATUTE IS
           SUBJECT TO THE BENEFITS AND DUTIES IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF THE ELECTED
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           OFFICIAL'S MOST RECENT REEMPLOYMENT. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF A COURT
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           OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION ORDERS REINSTATEMENT OF BENEFITS AND DUTIES UNDER A
           PRIOR LAW."
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     Page 9, lines 3 and 4, strike ", WHO IS NOT A RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL"
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        Line 12, strike "RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL" insert "MEMBER WHO BECOMES A MEMBER OF
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           THE PLAN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012 AND"
        Line 20, strike "WHO IS NOT A RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL,"
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        Strike lines 23, 24 and 25
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     Page 10, line 33, strike "AND WHO IS NOT A RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL"
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        Lines 35 and 36, strike "RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL" insert "MEMBER WHO BECOMES A
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           MEMBER OF THE PLAN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012"
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        Lines 7 and 8, strike "RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL" insert "MEMBER WHO BECOMES A
           MEMBER OF THE PLAN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012"
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        Line 37. strike "AND WHO IS NOT A RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL"
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     MEMBER OF THE PLAN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012"
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        Line 14, after the period strike remainder of line
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        Line 17, strike "THAT IS ACCRUED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012"
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        Line 18, strike "THIS"
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Page 13, strike lines 3 through 45

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        Line 21, strike "2012 AND WHO IS NOT A RECENT ELECTED OFFICIAL,"
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        Line 24, strike "NINE" insert "TEN"
        Line 26, strike "TEN" insert "ELEVEN AND ONE-HALF"
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        Line 28, strike "ELEVEN" insert "THIRTEEN"
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     Page 19, strike lines 1 through 12, insert:
                 "Sec. 22. Section 38-816, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
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38-816. Redemption of prior service

- A. Any present active elected official WHO HAS AT LEAST TEN YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE WITH THE PLAN may elect to redeem UP TO SIXTY MONTHS OF any part of the following prior service or employment by paying into the fund the amounts required under subsection B of this section if the prior service or employment is not on account with any other retirement system or plan:
- 1. Prior service in this state as an elected official with an employer now covered by the plan before the effective date of participation if the elected official has received a refund from a prior retirement system or plan on termination of employment before the elected official's application for redemption of prior service.
- 2. Prior service in this state as an elected official with an employer now covered by the plan before the effective date of participation if the elected official was not covered by a retirement system or plan during the elected official's prior elected official service.
- 3. Prior service as an elected official of this state or a city, town or county of this state if the elected official was not covered by a retirement system or plan during that service whether or not the city, town or county is an employer now covered by the plan.
- 4. Prior employment with the United States government, a state of the United States or a political subdivision of a state of the United States.

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- B. Any present active elected official who elects to redeem any part of the prior service or employment for which the elected official is deemed eligible by the board under this section shall pay into the plan the amounts previously withdrawn by the elected official as a refund of the elected official's accumulated contributions, if any, plus the additional amount, if any, that is computed by the plan's actuary and that is necessary to equal the increase in the actuarial present value of projected benefits resulting from the redemption calculated using the actuarial methods and assumptions that are prescribed by the plan's actuary.
- C. On approval by the governing body of an incorporated city or town that executes a joinder agreement under section 38-815, the city or town may pay into the fund all or any part of the amount sufficient to provide retirement benefits for elected officials or former elected officials for the time of service as an elected official of the city or town before the joinder agreement if no retirement benefits were in effect for elected officials during the time of service being redeemed under this section.
- D. A member electing to redeem service pursuant to this section may pay for service being redeemed in the form of a lump sum payment to the plan, a trustee-to-trustee transfer or a direct rollover of an eligible distribution from a plan described in section 402(c)(8)(B)(iii), (iv), (v) or (vi) of the internal revenue code or a rollover of an eligible distribution from an individual retirement account or annuity described in section 408(a) or (b) of the internal revenue code.
- Sec. 23. Title 38, chapter 5, article 3, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding sections 38-818.01 and 38-818.02, to read:
 - 38-818.01. Future benefit increases for retirees and survivors
- A. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013 AND EACH JULY 1 THEREAFTER, EACH RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE A PERMANENT INCREASE IN THE BASE BENEFIT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION IF BENEFIT INCREASE MONIES ARE AVAILABLE.
- B. THE RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN INCREASE AS FOLLOWS:
- 1. IF THE RETIRED MEMBER BECAME A MEMBER OF THE PLAN BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2012:
- (a) THE RETIRED MEMBER OR THE SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER WAS RECEIVING BENEFITS ON OR BEFORE JULY 31 OF THE TWO PREVIOUS YEARS.

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- (b) THE RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER WAS FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER ON JULY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND WAS RECEIVING BENEFITS ON OR BEFORE JULY 31 OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR.
- 2. IF THE RETIRED MEMBER BECAME A MEMBER OF THE PLAN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012, THE RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER WAS FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER ON JULY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND IS RECEIVING BENEFITS.
- C. SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION D, THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT INCREASE UNDER THIS SECTION IS LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SIXTY PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN SIXTY-FIVE PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, TWO PER CENT OF THE BENEFIT BEING RECEIVED ON THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- 2. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SIXTY-FIVE PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN SEVENTY PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, TWO AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE BENEFIT BEING RECEIVED ON THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- 3. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SEVENTY PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN SEVENTY-FIVE PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, THREE PER CENT OF THE BENEFIT BEING RECEIVED ON THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- 4. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SEVENTY-FIVE PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN EIGHTY PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, THREE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE BENEFIT BEING RECEIVED ON THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- 5. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS EIGHTY PER CENT OR MORE AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF

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THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, FOUR PER CENT OF THE BENEFIT BEING RECEIVED ON THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.

- D. A PERMANENT INCREASE IN BENEFITS IS AVAILABLE ONLY IF THE FUND ATTAINS A TOTAL RETURN OF MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE. THE AMOUNT OF MONIES AVAILABLE TO FULLY FUND THE PRESENT VALUE OF THE APPROPRIATE PERCENTAGE INCREASE ALLOWED BY SUBSECTION C IN ANY YEAR IS ONE HUNDRED PER CENT OF THE EARNINGS OF THE FUND THAT EXCEED TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE TOTAL RETURN OF THE FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE. IF ONE HUNDRED PER CENT OF THE EARNINGS OF THE FUND THAT EXCEED TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE TOTAL RETURN IS INSUFFICIENT TO FULLY FUND THE PRESENT VALUE OF THE APPROPRIATE PERCENTAGE INCREASE ALLOWED BY SUBSECTION C, THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE IS LIMITED TO THAT PERCENTAGE THE PRESENT VALUE OF WHICH CAN BE FULLY FUNDED BY THE BENEFIT INCREASE MONIES AVAILABLE.
- E. ANY EARNINGS IN EXCESS OF THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO FULLY PAY THE AMOUNT PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION C ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR FUTURE BENEFIT INCREASES IN THE FOLLOWING YEARS AND REVERT BACK TO THE APPROPRIATE EMPLOYER ACCOUNTS.
 - F. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:
- 1. TOTAL RETURN IS THE AMOUNT PUBLISHED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PLAN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE.
- 2. THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS THE NUMBER DETERMINED BY THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE.
- G. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF MONIES ARE AVAILABLE PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-818 FOR BENEFIT INCREASES FOR RETIRED MEMBERS OR SURVIVORS OF THE PLAN.

38-818.02. Ad hoc increase in retirement benefits: analysis by the joint legislative budget committee

FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2015, THE LEGISLATURE MAY ENACT PERMANENT ONE-TIME INCREASES IN RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR ELIGIBLE RETIREES AND SURVIVORS OF THE PLAN AFTER AN ANALYSIS OF THE EFFECT OF THE INCREASE ON THE PLAN BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE. THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE SHALL ANALYZE THE EFFECT OF THE PERMANENT BENEFIT INCREASE

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CONSIDERING THE FUNDED STATUS OF THE PLAN, THE LENGTH OF TIME SINCE THE LAST BENEFIT INCREASE, THE INCREASE IN THE COST OF LIVING SINCE THE LAST INCREASE, THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CONDITION OF THIS STATE, RECENT INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE OF THE PLAN, THE OVERALL VIEW OF THE ECONOMY AND MARKET AND THE TOTAL COST OF THE BENEFIT INCREASE TO THE PLAN.

- Sec. 24. Section 38-820, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 38-820. Credit for military service
- A. A member of the plan WHO HAS AT LEAST TEN YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE WITH THE PLAN may receive credited service for periods of active military service performed before employment with the member's current employer if:
 - 1. The member was honorably separated from the military service.
- 2. The period of military service for which the member receives credited service does not exceed forty eight SIXTY months.
- 3. The period of military service for which the member receives credited service is not on account with any other retirement system, except as provided by 10 United States Code section 12736 OR EXCEPT IF THE MEMBER IS NOT YET ELIGIBLE FOR A MILITARY RETIREMENT BENEFIT.
- 4. The member pays the cost to purchase the prior active military service. The cost is the amount necessary to equal the increase in the actuarial present value of projected benefits resulting from the additional credited service.
- 5. The amount of benefits purchased pursuant to this subsection is subject to limits established by section 415 of the internal revenue code.
- B. An active member of the plan who volunteers or is ordered to perform military service may receive credited service for not more than sixty months of military service as provided by the uniformed services employment and reemployment rights act (38 United States Code part III, chapter 43). The member's employer shall make employer contributions and the member shall make the member contributions pursuant to subsection C of this section if the member meets the following requirements:
- 1. Was an active member of the plan on the day before the member began military service.
- 2. Entered into and served in the armed forces of the United States or is a member of the national guard.
- 3. Complies with the notice and return to work provisions of 38 United States Code section 4312.

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- C. Contributions made pursuant to subsection B of this section shall be for the period of time beginning on the date the member began military service and ending on the later of one of the following dates:
 - 1. The date the member is separated from military service.
- 2. The date the member is released from service related hospitalization or two years after initiation of service related hospitalization, whichever date is earlier.
 - 3. The date the member dies as a result of or during military service.
- D. Notwithstanding any other law, on payment of the contributions made pursuant to subsection B of this section, the member shall be credited with service for retirement purposes for the period of military service of not more than sixty months. The member shall submit a copy of the military discharge certificate (DD-256A) and a copy of the military service record (DD-214) or its equivalent with the member's application when applying for credited service corresponding to the period of military service.
- E. The employer and the member shall make contributions pursuant to subsection B of this section as follows:
- 1. Contributions shall be based on the compensation that the member would have received but for the period that the member was ordered into active military service.
- 2. If the employer cannot reasonably determine the member's rate of compensation for the period that the member was ordered into military service, contributions shall be based on the member's average rate of compensation during the twelve-month period immediately preceding the period of military service.
- 3. If a member has been employed less than twelve months before being ordered into military service, contributions shall be based on the member's compensation being earned immediately preceding the period of military service.
- 4. The member has up to three times the length of military service, not to exceed sixty months, to make the member contributions. Once the member has made the member contributions or on receipt of the member's death certificate, the employer shall make the employer contributions in a lump sum. Death benefits shall be calculated as prescribed by law.
- 5. If the member's employer pays military differential wage pay to members serving in the military, contributions shall be paid to the plan

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pursuant to section 38-810 for any military differential wage pay paid to the member while performing military service.

- F. In computing the length of total credited service of a member for the purpose of determining retirement benefits or eligibility, the period of military service, as prescribed by this section, shall be included.
- G. If a member performs military service due to a presidential call-up, not to exceed forty-eight months, the employer shall make the employer and member contributions computed pursuant to subsection E of this section on the member's return and in compliance with subsection B of this section.
- H. In addition to, but not in duplication of, the provisions of subsection B of this section, beginning December 12, 1994 contributions, benefits and credited service provided pursuant to this section shall be provided pursuant to section 414(u) of the internal revenue code, and this section shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with that internal revenue code section."

Renumber to conform

Page 20, line 27, after "party" strike remainder of line

Strike lines 28 through 32

Line 33, strike "management services" insert ", except for third party contracts between public agencies for law enforcement, criminal, traffic and crime suppression activities training OR FIRE, wildfire, emergency medical or emergency management activities or where the employer supervises the employee's performance of law enforcement, criminal, traffic and crime suppression activities,— training,— OR fire, wildfire, emergency medical or emergency management services ACTIVITIES"

Page 24, line 24, after "duty" insert "OR, BEGINNING RETROACTIVELY TO JANUARY 1, 2009, WHO IS A POLICE CHIEF OR A FIRE CHIEF"

29 Page 28, line 24, strike "OR F"

30 Page 29, line 3, after "E." strike remainder of line

Line 4, strike "1, 2012,"

32 Line 6, strike "9.65" insert "8.65"

Line 8, strike "10.65" insert "9.55"

Between lines 9 and 10, insert:

"4. FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014, 10.35 PER CENT OF THE MEMBER'S COMPENSATION.

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5. FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015, 11.05 PER CENT OF THE MEMBER'S COMPENSATION."

Renumber to conform

Page 29, line 10, strike "2013-2014" insert "2015-2016"

Strike lines 17 through 29

Reletter to conform

Page 30, between lines 31 and 32, insert:

"Sec. 29. Section 38-844.03, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

38-844.03. <u>Eligibility; participation</u>

- A. Any member who is eligible for a normal pension pursuant to section 38-844, subsection A, WHO BECOMES A MEMBER OF THE SYSTEM BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2012 and who has at least twenty years of credited service is eligible to participate in the deferred retirement option plan. In addition, any member who is subject to section 38-858, subsection B is eligible to participate in the deferred retirement option plan retroactive to the member's twentieth year of credited service or on the day before the member began military service, whichever is later, if the member makes the election pursuant to this section on or before resuming employment with the member's employer.
- B. A member who elects to participate in the deferred retirement option plan shall voluntarily and irrevocably:
- 1. Designate a period of participation that is not more than sixty consecutive months.
- 2. Beginning on the date the member elects to participate in the deferred retirement option plan, cease to accrue benefits under any other provision of this article. The member's effective date of participation is the first day of the month following the date the member elects to participate.
- 3. Have deferred retirement option plan benefits credited to a deferred retirement option plan participation account pursuant to section 38-844.05.
- 4. Receive benefits from the system on termination of employment at the same time and in the same manner as otherwise prescribed in this article.
- 5. Agree to terminate employment on completion of the deferred retirement option plan participation period designated by the member on the appropriate deferred retirement option plan participation form.

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- C. If a member fails to terminate employment on completion of the designated deferred retirement option plan participation period:
- 1. The member is not entitled to the interest accumulation on the deferred retirement option plan participation account.
- 2. The deferred retirement option plan participation account shall not be credited with the monthly amount prescribed in section 38-844.05, subsection C, paragraph 1 and that amount shall not be paid directly to the member.
- 3. The payment prescribed in section 38-844.08, subsection A, paragraph 1 shall not be paid until the member terminates employment and is payable at the same time as the pension amount is paid on retirement.
- 4. The member does not acquire any further credited service in the system.
- Sec. 30. Section 38-844.05, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

38-844.05. <u>Deferred retirement option benefits and</u> participation accounts

- A. A deferred retirement option plan participation account is an account established within the system on behalf of each deferred retirement option plan participant. All benefits accrued pursuant to this article shall be accounted for in the deferred retirement option plan participation account. A deferred retirement option plan participant does not have a claim on the assets of the system with respect to the member's deferred retirement option plan participation account and assets shall not be set aside for any deferred retirement option plan participant that are separate from all other system assets.
- B. All amounts credited to a member's deferred retirement option plan participation account are fully vested.
- C. A member's deferred retirement option plan participation account shall be credited with the following:
- 1. An amount, credited monthly, that is computed in the same manner as a normal retirement benefit using the factors of credited service and average monthly benefit compensation in effect on the date of deferred retirement option plan participation.
- 2. An amount, credited monthly, that represents interest at a rate equal to the assumed rate of return determined by the board, EXCEPT THAT FOR A MEMBER WHO HAS LESS THAN TWENTY YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE ON JANUARY 1,

2012 AND WHO ELECTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012, THE AMOUNT CREDITED MONTHLY IS THE AMOUNT THAT REPRESENTS INTEREST AT A RATE EQUAL TO THE AVERAGE ANNUAL RETURN OF THE SYSTEM OVER THE PERIOD OF YEARS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD FOR USE IN THE CALCULATION OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS FOR THE PREVIOUS YEAR, BUT NOT TO EXCEED THE SYSTEM'S ASSUMED INVESTMENT RATE OF RETURN BUT AT LEAST TWO PER CENT.

D. The participant is not entitled to receive any amount prescribed by

- D. The participant is not entitled to receive any amount prescribed by section 38-856, 38-856.02 or 38-857 during the deferred retirement option plan participation period.
- Sec. 31. Section 38-844.06, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

38-844.06. Additional deferred retirement option plan provisions

- A. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION, beginning on the day after the date the member elects to participate in the deferred retirement option plan, employee and employer contributions pursuant to section 38-843 cease with respect to that member.
- B. A MEMBER WHO HAS LESS THAN TWENTY YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE ON JANUARY 1, 2012 AND WHO ELECTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012, SHALL MAKE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SYSTEM IN THE AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS CALCULATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-843.
- B. C. A member who elects to participate in the deferred retirement option plan and who becomes disabled during the period of deferred retirement option plan participation is eligible to apply for disability retirement benefits. If the application for disability retirement benefits is approved by the local board:
- 1. The disability retirement benefits shall be computed using the factors of credited service and average monthly benefit compensation in effect the day before the effective date of the member's deferred retirement option plan participation.
- 2. All amounts in the member's deferred retirement option plan participation account shall be distributed pursuant to section 38-844.08.
- C. D. If a member dies during the period of the member's deferred retirement option plan participation, the designated beneficiary of the

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           member is entitled to receive all amounts in the member's deferred retirement
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                 "Sec. 35. Title 38, chapter 5, article 4, Arizona Revised Statutes, is
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        Line 26, after "subsection" strike remainder of line
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        Strike lines 27, 28 and 29, insert ", SECTION 13-713 APPLIES."
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     Page 36, strike lines 4 through 44
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     Page 37, strike lines 1 through 23, insert:
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           read:
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                 38-853.01. Redemption of prior service
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                 A. Each present active member of the system WHO HAS AT LEAST TEN YEARS
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           OF SERVICE WITH THE SYSTEM may elect to redeem UP TO SIXTY MONTHS OF any part
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board under this section shall pay into the system the amounts previously 14 withdrawn by the member, if any, as a refund of the member's accumulated contributions plus accumulated interest as determined by the board and the

services for a political subdivision of this state.

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additional amount, if any, computed by the system's actuary that is necessary to equal the increase in the actuarial present value of projected benefits resulting from the redemption calculated using the actuarial methods and

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B. Any present active member who elects to redeem any part of the

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government, a state of the United States or a political subdivision of this

state or of a state of the United States as a full-time paid firefighter or

employment as an employee of a corporation that contracted with an employer

now covered by the system to provide firefighting services on behalf of that

employer as a full-time paid firefighter or that provided firefighting

prior service or employment for which the employee is deemed eligible by the

- assumptions prescribed by the system's actuary.
- C. A member electing to redeem service pursuant to this section may pay for service being redeemed in the form of a lump sum payment to the system, a trustee-to-trustee transfer or a direct rollover of an eligible distribution from a plan described in section 402(c)(8)(B)(iii), (iv), (v) or (vi) of the internal revenue code or a rollover of an eligible distribution from an individual retirement account or annuity described in section 408(a) or (b) of the internal revenue code.
- Sec. 39. Title 38, chapter 5, article 4, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding sections 38-856.02 and 38-856.03, to read:
 - 38-856.02. <u>Future benefit increases for retirees and survivors</u>
- A. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013 AND EACH JULY 1 THEREAFTER, EACH RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE A PERMANENT INCREASE IN THE BASE BENEFIT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION IF BENEFIT INCREASE MONIES ARE AVAILABLE.
- B. THE RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN INCREASE AS FOLLOWS:
- 1. IF THE RETIRED MEMBER BECAME A MEMBER OF THE SYSTEM BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2012:

- (a) THE RETIRED MEMBER OR THE SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER WAS RECEIVING BENEFITS ON OR BEFORE JULY 31 OF THE TWO PREVIOUS YEARS.
- (b) THE RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER WAS FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER ON JULY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND WAS RECEIVING BENEFITS ON OR BEFORE JULY 31 OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR.
- 2. IF THE RETIRED MEMBER BECAME A MEMBER OF THE SYSTEM ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012:
- (a) THE RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER WAS FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER ON JULY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND IS RECEIVING BENEFITS.
- (b) THE RETIRED MEMBER WAS UNDER FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE ON JULY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, WAS RECEIVING AN ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY OR A CATASTROPHIC DISABILITY RETIREMENT BENEFIT AND WAS RECEIVING BENEFITS ON OR BEFORE JULY 31 OF THE TWO PREVIOUS YEARS.
- (c) A SURVIVOR WAS UNDER FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE ON JULY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, IS THE SURVIVOR OF A MEMBER WHO WAS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY AND WAS RECEIVING BENEFITS ON OR BEFORE JULY 31 OF THE TWO PREVIOUS YEARS.
- C. SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION D, THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT INCREASE UNDER THIS SECTION IS LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SIXTY PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN SIXTY-FIVE PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, TWO PER CENT OF THE AVERAGE NORMAL BENEFIT CALCULATED AS OF THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- 2. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SIXTY-FIVE PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN SEVENTY PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, TWO AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE AVERAGE NORMAL BENEFIT CALCULATED AS OF THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- 3. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SEVENTY PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN SEVENTY-FIVE PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, THREE PER CENT OF THE AVERAGE NORMAL BENEFIT CALCULATED AS OF THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.

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- 4. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SEVENTY-FIVE PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN EIGHTY PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, THREE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE AVERAGE NORMAL BENEFIT CALCULATED AS OF THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- 5. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS EIGHTY PER CENT OR MORE AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, FOUR PER CENT OF THE AVERAGE NORMAL BENEFIT CALCULATED AS OF THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- D. A PERMANENT INCREASE IN BENEFITS IS AVAILABLE ONLY IF THE FUND ATTAINS A TOTAL RETURN OF MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE. THE AMOUNT OF MONIES AVAILABLE TO FULLY FUND THE PRESENT VALUE OF THE APPROPRIATE PERCENTAGE INCREASE ALLOWED BY SUBSECTION C IN ANY YEAR IS ONE HUNDRED PER CENT OF THE EARNINGS OF THE FUND THAT EXCEED TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE TOTAL RETURN OF THE FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE. IF ONE HUNDRED PER CENT OF THE EARNINGS OF THE FUND THAT EXCEED TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE TOTAL RETURN IS INSUFFICIENT TO FULLY FUND THE PRESENT VALUE OF THE APPROPRIATE PERCENTAGE INCREASE ALLOWED BY SUBSECTION C, THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE IS LIMITED TO THAT PERCENTAGE THE PRESENT VALUE OF WHICH CAN BE FULLY FUNDED BY THE BENEFIT INCREASE MONIES AVAILABLE.
- E. ANY EARNINGS IN EXCESS OF THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO FULLY PAY THE AMOUNT PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION C ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR FUTURE BENEFIT INCREASES IN THE FOLLOWING YEARS AND REVERT BACK TO THE APPROPRIATE EMPLOYER ACCOUNTS.
 - F. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:
- 1. TOTAL RETURN IS THE AMOUNT PUBLISHED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SYSTEM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE.
- 2. THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS THE NUMBER DETERMINED BY THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE.

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G. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF MONIES ARE AVAILABLE PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-856 FOR BENEFIT INCREASES FOR RETIRED MEMBERS OR SURVIVORS OF THE

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FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2015, THE LEGISLATURE MAY ENACT PERMANENT ONE-TIME INCREASES IN RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR ELIGIBLE RETIREES AND SURVIVORS OF THE SYSTEM AFTER AN ANALYSIS OF THE EFFECT OF THE INCREASE ON THE SYSTEM BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE. THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE SHALL ANALYZE THE EFFECT OF THE PERMANENT BENEFIT INCREASE CONSIDERING THE FUNDED STATUS OF THE SYSTEM, THE LENGTH OF TIME SINCE THE LAST BENEFIT INCREASE, THE INCREASE IN THE COST OF LIVING SINCE THE LAST INCREASE, THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CONDITION OF THIS STATE, RECENT INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE OF THE SYSTEM. THE OVERALL VIEW OF THE ECONOMY AND MARKET AND THE TOTAL COST OF THE BENEFIT INCREASE TO THE SYSTEM.

- Sec. 40. Section 38-858, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 38-858. Credit for military service
- A. A member of the system WHO HAS AT LEAST TEN YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE SYSTEM may receive credited service for periods of active military service performed before employment with the member's current employer if:
 - 1. The member was honorably separated from the military service.
- The period of military service for which the member receives credited service does not exceed forty eight SIXTY months.
- The period of military service for which the member receives credited service is not on account with any other retirement system, except as provided by 10 United States Code section 12736 OR EXCEPT IF THE MEMBER IS NOT YET ELIGIBLE FOR A MILITARY RETIREMENT BENEFIT.
- 4. The member pays the cost to purchase the prior active military The cost is the amount necessary to equal the increase in the actuarial present value of projected benefits resulting from the additional credited service.
- 5. The amount of benefits purchased pursuant to this subsection is subject to limits established by section 415 of the internal revenue code.
- B. An active member of the system who volunteers or is ordered to perform military service may receive credited service for not more than sixty months of military service as provided by the uniformed services employment and reemployment rights act (38 United States Code part III, chapter 43).

The member's employer shall make employer contributions and the member shall make the member contributions pursuant to subsection C of this section if the member meets the following requirements:

- 1. Was an active member of the system on the day before the member began military service.
- 2. Entered into and served in the armed forces of the United States or is a member of the national guard.
- 3. Complies with the notice and return to work provisions of 38 United States Code section 4312.
- C. Contributions made pursuant to subsection B of this section shall be for the period of time beginning on the date the member began military service and ending on the later of one of the following dates:
 - 1. The date the member is separated from military service.
- 2. The date the member is released from service related hospitalization or two years after initiation of service related hospitalization, whichever date is earlier.
 - 3. The date the member dies as a result of or during military service.
- D. Notwithstanding any other law, on payment of the contributions made pursuant to subsection B of this section, the member shall be credited with service for retirement purposes for the period of military service of not more than sixty months. The member shall submit a copy of the military discharge certificate (DD-256A) and a copy of the military service record (DD-214) or its equivalent with the member's application when applying for credited service corresponding to the period of military service.
- E. The employer and the member shall make contributions pursuant to subsection B of this section as follows:
- 1. Contributions shall be based on the compensation that the member would have received but for the period that the member was ordered into active military service.
- 2. If the employer cannot reasonably determine the member's rate of compensation for the period that the member was ordered into military service, contributions shall be based on the member's average rate of compensation during the twelve-month period immediately preceding the period of military service.
- 3. If a member has been employed less than twelve months before being ordered into military service, contributions shall be based on the member's

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compensation being earned immediately preceding the period of military service.

- 4. The member has up to three times the length of military service, not to exceed sixty months, to make the member contributions. Once the member has made the member contributions or on receipt of the member's death certificate, the employer shall make the employer contributions in a lump sum. Death benefits shall be calculated as prescribed by law.
- 5. If the member's employer pays military differential wage pay to members serving in the military, contributions shall be paid to the system pursuant to section 38-843 for any military differential wage pay paid to the member while performing military service.
- F. In computing the length of total credited service of a member for the purpose of determining retirement benefits or eligibility, the period of military service, as prescribed by this section, shall be included.
- G. If a member performs military service due to a presidential call-up, not to exceed forty-eight months, the employer shall make the employer and member contributions computed pursuant to subsection E of this section on the member's return and in compliance with subsection B of this section.
- H. In addition to, but not in duplication of, the provisions of subsection B of this section, beginning December 12, 1994 contributions, benefits and credited service provided pursuant to this section shall be provided pursuant to section 414(u) of the internal revenue code, and this section shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with that internal revenue code section."

Renumber to conform

Page 46, between lines 6 and 7, insert:

"Sec. 44. Title 38, chapter 5, article 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 38-884.01, to read:

38-884.01. Reinstatement of credited service; effect of prior

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A. A MEMBER WHO RECEIVED A SEVERANCE REFUND ON TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 38-884, WHO IS SUBSEQUENTLY REEMPLOYED BY AN EMPLOYER AND WHO REDEPOSITS THE AMOUNT WITHDRAWN WITH INTEREST AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 38-884 OR A MEMBER WHO REDEEMS PRIOR SERVICE PURSUANT TO STATUTE IS SUBJECT TO THE BENEFITS AND DUTIES IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF THE MEMBER'S MOST RECENT REEMPLOYMENT. THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF A COURT OF

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B. A MEMBER WHO TRANSFERS CREDITED SERVICE FROM ONE EMPLOYER TO ANOTHER EMPLOYER PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-908 RETAINS THE BENEFITS AND DUTIES IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF THE MEMBER'S TRANSFER."

Renumber to conform

7 Page 51, strike lines 18, 19 and 20

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9 Line 21, strike "2012-2013" insert "2011-2012"; strike "8.91" insert "8.41"

Lines 28 and 30, strike "3" insert "2"

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13 Page 54, strike lines 1 through 4, insert:

"Sec. 49. Title 38, chapter 5, article 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding sections 38-905.02 and 38-905.03, to read:

38-905.02. Future benefit increases for retirees and survivors

- A. EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013 AND EACH JULY 1 THEREAFTER, EACH RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO RECEIVE A PERMANENT INCREASE IN THE BASE BENEFIT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT DETERMINED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION IF BENEFIT INCREASE MONIES ARE AVAILABLE.
- B. THE RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN INCREASE AS FOLLOWS:
- 1. IF THE RETIRED MEMBER BECAME A MEMBER OF THE PLAN BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2012:
- (a) THE RETIRED MEMBER OR THE SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER WAS RECEIVING BENEFITS ON OR BEFORE JULY 31 OF THE TWO PREVIOUS YEARS.
- (b) THE RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER WAS FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER ON JULY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND WAS RECEIVING BENEFITS ON OR BEFORE JULY 31 OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR.
- 2. IF THE RETIRED MEMBER BECAME A MEMBER OF THE PLAN ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012:
- (a) THE RETIRED MEMBER OR SURVIVOR OF A RETIRED MEMBER WAS FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER ON JULY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR AND IS RECEIVING BENEFITS.
- (b) THE RETIRED MEMBER WAS UNDER FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE ON JULY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR, WAS RECEIVING AN ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT BENEFIT AND WAS RECEIVING BENEFITS ON OR BEFORE JULY 31 OF THE TWO PREVIOUS YEARS.

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1 (c) A SURVIVOR WAS UNDER FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OF AGE ON JULY 1 OF THE 2 CURRENT YEAR, IS THE SURVIVOR OF A MEMBER WHO WAS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY 3 AND WAS RECEIVING BENEFITS ON OR BEFORE JULY 31 OF THE TWO PREVIOUS YEARS.

- C. SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION D, THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT INCREASE UNDER THIS SECTION IS LIMITED TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SIXTY PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN SIXTY-FIVE PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, TWO PER CENT OF THE BENEFIT BEING RECEIVED ON THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- 2. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SIXTY-FIVE PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN SEVENTY PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, TWO AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE BENEFIT BEING RECEIVED ON THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- 3. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SEVENTY PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN SEVENTY-FIVE PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, THREE PER CENT OF THE BENEFIT BEING RECEIVED ON THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- 4. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS SEVENTY-FIVE PER CENT OR MORE BUT LESS THAN EIGHTY PER CENT AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, THREE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE BENEFIT BEING RECEIVED ON THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- 5. IF THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS EIGHTY PER CENT OR MORE AND THE TOTAL RETURN IS MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE, FOUR PER CENT OF THE BENEFIT BEING RECEIVED ON THE PRECEDING JUNE 30.
- D. A PERMANENT INCREASE IN BENEFITS IS AVAILABLE ONLY IF THE FUND ATTAINS A TOTAL RETURN OF MORE THAN TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE

INCREASE. THE AMOUNT OF MONIES AVAILABLE TO FULLY FUND THE PRESENT VALUE OF THE APPROPRIATE PERCENTAGE INCREASE ALLOWED BY SUBSECTION C IN ANY YEAR IS ONE HUNDRED PER CENT OF THE EARNINGS OF THE FUND THAT EXCEED TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE TOTAL RETURN OF THE FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE. IF ONE HUNDRED PER CENT OF THE EARNINGS OF THE FUND THAT EXCEED TEN AND ONE-HALF PER CENT OF THE TOTAL RETURN IS INSUFFICIENT TO FULLY FUND THE PRESENT VALUE OF THE APPROPRIATE PERCENTAGE INCREASE ALLOWED BY SUBSECTION C, THE PERCENTAGE INCREASE IS LIMITED TO THAT PERCENTAGE THE PRESENT VALUE OF WHICH CAN BE FULLY FUNDED BY THE BENEFIT INCREASE MONIES AVAILABLE.

- E. ANY EARNINGS IN EXCESS OF THE AMOUNT NECESSARY TO FULLY PAY THE AMOUNT PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION C ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR FUTURE BENEFIT INCREASES IN THE FOLLOWING YEARS AND REVERT BACK TO THE APPROPRIATE EMPLOYER ACCOUNTS.
 - F. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:
- 1. TOTAL RETURN IS THE AMOUNT PUBLISHED IN THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PLAN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE.
- 2. THE RATIO OF THE ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS TO THE ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY OF THE FUND IS THE NUMBER DETERMINED BY THE ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30 OF THE CALENDAR YEAR PRECEDING THE JULY 1 OF THE INCREASE.
- G. THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY IF MONIES ARE AVAILABLE PURSUANT TO SECTION 38-905 FOR BENEFIT INCREASES FOR RETIRED MEMBERS OR SURVIVORS OF THE PLAN.

38-905.03. Ad hoc increase in retirement benefits; analysis by the joint legislative budget committee

FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2015, THE LEGISLATURE MAY ENACT PERMANENT ONE-TIME INCREASES IN RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR ELIGIBLE RETIREES AND SURVIVORS OF THE PLAN AFTER AN ANALYSIS OF THE EFFECT OF THE INCREASE ON THE PLAN BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE. THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE SHALL ANALYZE THE EFFECT OF THE PERMANENT BENEFIT INCREASE CONSIDERING THE FUNDED STATUS OF THE PLAN, THE LENGTH OF TIME SINCE THE LAST BENEFIT INCREASE, THE INCREASE IN THE COST OF LIVING SINCE THE LAST INCREASE, THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CONDITION OF THIS STATE, RECENT INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE OF THE PLAN, THE OVERALL VIEW OF THE ECONOMY AND MARKET AND THE TOTAL COST OF THE BENEFIT INCREASE TO THE PLAN.

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Sec. 50. Section 38-907, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 38-907. Credit for military service

- A. A member of the plan WHO HAS AT LEAST TEN YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE WITH THE PLAN may receive credited service for periods of active military service performed before employment with the member's current employer if:
 - 1. The member was honorably separated from the military service.
- 2. The period of military service for which the member receives credited service does not exceed forty-eight SIXTY months.
- 3. The period of military service for which the member receives credited service is not on account with any other retirement system, except as provided by 10 United States Code section 12736 OR EXCEPT IF THE MEMBER IS NOT YET ELIGIBLE FOR A MILITARY RETIREMENT BENEFIT.
- 4. The member pays the cost to purchase the prior active military service. The cost is the amount necessary to equal the increase in the actuarial present value of projected benefits resulting from the additional credited service.
- 5. The amount of benefits purchased pursuant to this subsection is subject to limits established by section 415 of the internal revenue code.
- B. An active member of the plan who volunteers or is ordered to perform military service may receive credited service for not more than sixty months of military service as provided by the uniformed services employment and reemployment rights act (38 United States Code part III, chapter 43). The member's employer shall make employer contributions and the member shall make the member contributions pursuant to subsection C of this section if the member meets the following requirements:
- 1. Was an active member of the plan on the day before the member began military service.
- 2. Entered into and served in the armed forces of the United States or is a member of the national guard.
- 3. Complies with the notice and return to work provisions of 38 United States Code section 4312.
- C. Contributions made pursuant to subsection B of this section shall be for the period of time beginning on the date the member began military service and ending on the later of one of the following dates:
 - 1. The date the member is separated from military service.

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- 2. The date the member is released from service related hospitalization or two years after initiation of service related hospitalization, whichever date is earlier.
 - 3. The date the member dies as a result of or during military service.
- D. Notwithstanding any other law, on payment of the contributions made pursuant to subsection B of this section, the member shall be credited with service for retirement purposes for the period of military service of not more than sixty months. The member shall submit a copy of the military discharge certificate (DD-256A) and a copy of the military service record (DD-214) or its equivalent with the member's application when applying for credited service corresponding to the period of military service.
- E. The employer and the member shall make contributions pursuant to subsection B of this section as follows:
- 1. Contributions shall be based on the compensation that the member would have received but for the period that the member was ordered into active military service.
- 2. If the employer cannot reasonably determine the member's rate of compensation for the period that the member was ordered into military service, contributions shall be based on the member's average rate of compensation during the twelve-month period immediately preceding the period of military service.
- 3. If a member has been employed less than twelve months before being ordered into military service, contributions shall be based on the member's compensation being earned immediately preceding the period of military service.
- 4. The member has up to three times the length of military service, not to exceed sixty months, to make the member contributions. Once the member has made the member contributions or on receipt of the member's death certificate, the employer shall make the employer contributions in a lump sum. Death benefits shall be calculated as prescribed by law.
- 5. If the member's employer pays military differential wage pay to members serving in the military, contributions shall be paid to the plan pursuant to section 38-891 for any military differential wage pay paid to the member while performing military service.
- F. In computing the length of total credited service of a member for the purpose of determining retirement benefits or eligibility, the period of military service, as prescribed by this section, shall be included.

G. If a member performs military service due to a presidential call-up, not to exceed forty-eight months, the employer shall make the employer and member contributions computed pursuant to subsection E of this section on the member's return and in compliance with subsection B of this section.

H. In addition to, but not in duplication of, the provisions of subsection B of this section, beginning December 12, 1994 contributions, benefits and credited service provided pursuant to this section shall be provided pursuant to section 414(u) of the internal revenue code, and this section shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with that internal revenue code section.

Sec. 51. Section 38-909, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read: 38-909. Redemption of prior service: calculation

A. Each present active member of the plan WHO HAS AT LEAST TEN YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE WITH THE PLAN who had previous service in this state as an employee with an employer now covered by the plan or who had previous service with an agency of the United States government, a state of the United States or a political subdivision of a state of the United States as a full-time paid corrections officer or full-time paid certified peace officer may elect to redeem UP TO SIXTY MONTHS OF any part of the prior service by paying into the plan any amounts required under subsection B if the prior service is not on account with any other retirement system.

B. Any present active member who elects to redeem any part of the prior service for which the employee is deemed eligible by the board under this section shall pay into the plan the amounts previously withdrawn by the member, if any, as a refund of the member's accumulated contributions plus accumulated interest as determined by the board and the additional amount, if any, computed by the plan's actuary that is necessary to equal the increase in the actuarial present value of projected benefits resulting from the redemption calculated using the actuarial methods and assumptions prescribed by the plan's actuary.

C. The discount rate used by the actuary for the redemption calculation pursuant to subsection B is an amount equal to the lesser of the assumed rate of return that is prescribed by the board or an amount equal to the yield on a ten year treasury note as of March 1 that is published by the federal reserve board plus two per cent. This discount rate is effective beginning in the next fiscal year and shall be recalculated each year.

D. A member electing to redeem service pursuant to this section may pay for service being redeemed in the form of a lump sum payment to the plan, a trustee-to-trustee transfer or a direct rollover of an eligible distribution from a plan described in section 402(c)(8)(B)(iii), (iv), (v) or (vi) of the internal revenue code or a rollover of an eligible distribution from an individual retirement account or annuity described in section 408(a) or (b) of the internal revenue code."

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- 11 Strike lines 2 through 5
- 12 Line 8, strike "6" insert "5"
- 13 Line 15, after "subsection" strike remainder of line
- 14 Strike lines 16, 17 and 18, insert ", SECTION 13-713 APPLIES."
- 15 Strike lines 31 through 45
- 16 Page 56, strike lines 1 through 26, insert:

"Sec. 56. Legislative findings

- A. The legislature recognizes that in order to have a sound public retirement system that benefits this state, taxpayers and members of the retirement systems, the public retirement systems must be funded with contributions and investment earnings based on actuarial methods and assumptions that meet generally accepted actuarial standards. Article XXIX, Constitution of Arizona. The legislature finds that the current structures of the elected officials' retirement plan, the public safety personnel retirement system and the corrections officer retirement plan do not achieve this goal. Since rights to benefits have not vested because application and eligibility for benefits have not occurred, the legislature intends to modify and amend these various retirement programs in order to protect the best interests of the members and beneficiaries.
 - B. The legislature further finds:
 - 1. Members of the:
- (a) Elected officials' retirement plan who entered the plan on or after July 18, 2000 agreed to the benefit and vesting terms prescribed in section 38-810.02, subsection B, Arizona Revised Statutes, as a material condition of their contract with this state.
- (b) Public safety personnel retirement system who entered the system on or after July 27, 1983 agreed to the benefit and vesting terms prescribed

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in section 38-844.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, as a material condition of their contract with this state.

- (c) Corrections officer retirement plan who entered the plan on or after July 1, 1986 agreed to the legislative reservation terms prescribed in section 38-903, Arizona Revised Statutes, and members who entered the plan on or after July 18, 2000 agreed to the benefit and vesting terms prescribed in section 38-900.01, subsection B, Arizona Revised Statutes, as a material condition of their contract with this state.
- 2. That the current structures of the elected officials' retirement plan, the public safety personnel retirement system and the corrections officer retirement plan do not lead to the goal of attaining one hundred per cent funded status and jeopardizes the future payment of benefits to current and future retirees of these three retirement programs.
- 3. That the current structure of the public safety personnel retirement system and the elected officials' retirement plan that requires a fixed employee contribution rate requires a contribution rate from employees that is insufficient in relation to the cost associated with the benefits required by the plan design and therefore places a greater financial burden on employers. By moving to an increased shared cost structure, public safety and corrections employees will bear increased responsibility for the fiscal health of the funds and, as the funds improve their funded status and approach fully funded or overfunded status, the employees will realize decreased contribution costs that would be lower than currently required.
- 4. That the current method of funding benefit increases to retirees of the elected officials retirement plan, the public safety personnel retirement system and the corrections officers retirement plan is flawed and makes it highly unlikely that these funds will achieve their actuarially assumed earning rates during positive and negative investment environments and invariably leads to greater investment risk on the part of the funds' trustees. It is fundamentally unsound to provide a benefit increase during periods when the funded status of the retirement programs is less than sixty per cent. Changing the manner of funding these benefit increases is intended to improve the funded status of the elected officials' retirement plan, the public safety personnel retirement system and the corrections officer retirement plan and is in the best interests of the members and beneficiaries of these retirement programs in that it will preserve future benefits for plan participants.

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- 5. It is necessary to change the future plan and system structures for nonvested members to take into consideration the increased life expectancy of members and future employees and make the reforms necessary to preserve the funded status of the retirement programs in future years.
- 6. To protect the future benefits of retired, active and future employees it is necessary to make the changes outlined in this act to preserve the funded status of these three retirement programs and return the programs to fiscal solvency.

Sec. 57. <u>Defined contribution and retirement study committee:</u> <u>delayed repeal</u>

- A. The defined contribution and retirement study committee is established consisting of:
- 1. The five members of the state board of investment established by section 35-311, Arizona Revised Statutes. The chairperson of the state board of investment is the chairperson of the study committee.
- 2. Three members of the senate who are appointed by the president of the senate, not more than two of whom are members of the same political party.
- 3. Three members of the house of representatives who are appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives, not more than two of whom are members of the same political party.
- 4. One member of the board of trustees of the public safety personnel retirement system who is appointed by the board of trustees of the public safety personnel retirement system.
- 5. One member of the Arizona state retirement system board who is appointed by the Arizona state retirement system board.
 - B. The committee shall study:
- 1. The feasibility and cost of transferring existing members of a public retirement system or plan to a new defined contribution plan as well as providing for a defined contribution plan for newly hired public employees. The committee shall examine public and private defined contribution plans in other states, including their plan designs, and the federal tax issues that affect a defined contribution retirement plan.
- 2. All the existing supplemental retirement plans in the public safety personnel retirement system and the Arizona state retirement system, the advantages and disadvantages of these supplemental retirement plans and the

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feasibility of merging these supplemental retirement plans to achieve maximum effectiveness and minimization of costs to members and employers.

- 3. The definitions of compensation, average yearly salary and salary as used by the Arizona state retirement system, the elected officials' retirement plan, the public safety personnel retirement system and the corrections officer retirement plan to ascertain the actuarial effect of these definitions on the respective retirement systems and plans, particularly the ability and actuality of "spiking" compensation.
- 4. In regards to the public safety personnel retirement system and the corrections officer retirement plan, the advantages and disadvantages of the local board system, the advantages and disadvantages of the agent multiple-employer public retirement system model and the feasibility of establishing a single employer public retirement system model.
- 5. In regards to the public safety personnel retirement system and the corrections officer retirement plan, the procedures, determinations and granting of accidental and ordinary disability retirements to members, the effect of the local boards in providing adequate cost controls for these disability retirements, the establishment of another medical disability tier that provides for those members who cannot perform a reasonable range of duties within the member's job classification or department but who are not totally disabled and the elimination of the local boards in making such determinations and replacing the determinations of granting medical disabilities with a single determination board in the administrative offices of the public safety personnel retirement system.
- C. The committee may use the services of consultants, actuaries and attorneys in performing the committee's duties. Contracts for services approved by the committee are exempt from title 41, chapter 23, Arizona Revised Statutes.
- D. The committee shall meet at least twice on or before December 31, 2011 and shall provide an interim report to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate and the governor on or before December 31, 2011. On or before December 31, 2012, the committee shall submit a written report of its findings and recommendations to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate and the governor. The committee shall provide copies of these reports to the secretary of state.
 - E. This section is repealed from and after September 30, 2013.

Sec. 58. Rule making authority

Notwithstanding any other law, the Arizona state retirement system may conduct rule making for the purpose of implementing this act.

Sec. 59. <u>Legislative intent; alternate contribution rate; ASRS</u> employers; EORP, PSPRS and CORP employers

The legislature intends by this act:

- 1. To establish an alternate contribution rate in order to mitigate the potential actuarial impact that a retired member who returns to work for an employer may have on the Arizona state retirement system. Through the establishment of the alternate contribution rate the legislature intends to assure employers that the use of leased, contracted or retired employees and services will have a minimal, if any, actuarial impact on the Arizona state retirement system.
- 2. To establish an alternate contribution rate in order to mitigate the potential actuarial impact that is caused by distorting the actuarial assumption relating to age related rates of retirement that a retired member who returns to work for an employer may have on the elected officials' retirement plan, the public safety personnel retirement system and the corrections officer retirement plan.

Sec. 60. Appropriation: Arizona state retirement system: exemption

- A. The sum of \$250,000 is appropriated from the Arizona state retirement system administration account in fiscal year 2011-2012 to the Arizona state retirement system for the administrative implementation of this act.
- B. The appropriation made in subsection A of this section is exempt from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to lapsing of appropriations.

Sec. 61. Use of previously appropriated monies

The monies appropriated to the Arizona state retirement system pursuant to Laws 2010, chapter 50, section 8 that remain unexpended and unencumbered may be used for the administrative implementation of this act.

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Sec. 62. Appropriation; state treasurer; defined contribution and retirement study committee; purpose; exemption; reversion

- A. The sum of \$50,000 is appropriated from the Arizona state retirement system administration account in fiscal year 2011-2012 to the state treasurer for the purpose of implementing the duties of the defined contribution and retirement study committee that is established by this act. The Arizona state retirement system board shall allocate the appropriation from the administration account as described in section 38-721, subsection C, Arizona Revised Statutes.
- B. Notwithstanding any other law, the sum of \$50,000 is appropriated from the public safety personnel retirement system in fiscal year 2011-2012 to the state treasurer for the purpose of implementing the duties of the defined contribution and retirement study committee that is established by this act. The administrator of the public safety personnel retirement system shall allocate the appropriation from the respective funds administered by the board of trustees of the public safety personnel retirement system.
- C. The appropriations made in subsections A and B of this section are exempt from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to lapsing of appropriations.
- D. All monies remaining unexpended and unencumbered on September 30, 2013 from the appropriations made by this section revert respectively to the Arizona state retirement system administrative account and the public safety personnel retirement system.

Sec. 63. <u>EORP; PSPRS; CORP; transfers to the excess investment</u> earning account prohibited; retroactivity

- A. Notwithstanding section 38-818, Arizona Revised Statutes, from and after May 31, 2011 and each year thereafter, no excess investment earnings shall be transferred to the excess investment earnings on pensions in payment status account.
- B. Notwithstanding section 38-856, Arizona Revised Statutes, from and after May 31, 2011, and each year thereafter, no excess investment earnings on the net assets of the fund shall be transferred to the excess investment earnings account.
- C. Notwithstanding section 38-905, Arizona Revised Statutes, from and after May 31, 2011 and each year thereafter, no excess investment earning on

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1 the net assets of the fund shall be transferred to the excess investment 2 earnings account. 3 D. This section is effective retroactively to from and after May 31, 4 2011. 5 Sec. 64. Board of trustees report on employer and employee costs On or before December 31 of each year, the board of trustees shall 6 provide to the legislature, and the joint legislative budget committee and 7 8 post on its website the shared cost structure of employees and employers, the 9 funding status and the rate of return. The report to the legislature shall include when the trigger to the reduction in the employee rates is being met. 10 11 Renumber to conform 12 Page 56, strike lines 28 and 29 13 Line 30, strike "B."; after "Sections" insert "38-711, 38-758," 14 After line 31. insert: 15 "Sec. 66. <u>Emergency</u> This act is an emergency measure that is necessary to preserve the 16 17 public peace, health or safety and is operative immediately as provided by law." 18 Amend title to conform 19

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