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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4134 AS INTRODUCED 2-9-89

The bill would amend the Public School Employees' Retirement Act to allow members who are absent from service for purposes of approved medical leave, and who then return to service, to purchase service credit for that time, under certain conditions. An "approved medical leave" would mean a period of time that a member was absent from service because of a temporary personal injury or mental or physical illness, as authorized and certified by the member's reporting unit. Payment would be of an amount equal to the actuarial cost, as determined by the retirement board. Under the bill, the service credit purchased could not exceed five years, and the number of hours of service credit a member could purchase would be based upon the member's number of hours of service during the 12-month period immediately before the event resulting in the member's absence.

Service credit purchased under the bill could not be used to satisfy the minimum number of years of service credit required to receive a retirement allowance under the act. If a member who had made payment died, or if the member left reporting unit service before his or her retirement became effective, the payment made would be refunded upon request to the member, to the member's refund beneficiary, if any, or to the member's legal representative or estate.

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