

HOUSE BILL No. 4134

February 9, 1989, Introduced by Reps. Ciaramitaro and Barns and referred to the Committee on Senior Citizens and Retirement.

A bill to amend Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1980, entitled
"The public school employees retirement act of 1979,"
as amended, being sections 38.1301 to 38.1407 of the Michigan
Compiled Laws, by adding section 75b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1980, as
2 amended, being sections 38.1301 to 38.1407 of the Michigan
3 Compiled Laws, is amended by adding section 75b to read as
4 follows:

5 SEC. 75B. (1) A MEMBER WHO IS OR WAS ABSENT FROM REPORTING
6 UNIT SERVICE FOR PURPOSES OF APPROVED MEDICAL LEAVE AND WHO
7 RETURNED OR RETURNS TO REPORTING UNIT SERVICE MAY PURCHASE
8 SERVICE CREDIT FOR THE TIME PERIOD OR PERIODS DURING WHICH THE
9 MEMBER WAS ABSENT FROM REPORTING UNIT SERVICE BECAUSE OF APPROVED

1 MEDICAL LEAVE, UPON PAYMENT TO THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF AN AMOUNT
2 THAT IS EQUAL TO THE ACTUARIAL COST AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD.

3 (2) THE TOTAL SERVICE CREDITED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL NOT
4 EXCEED 5 YEARS. THE NUMBER OF HOURS OF SERVICE CREDIT A MEMBER
5 MAY PURCHASE UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE BASED UPON THE MEMBER'S
6 NUMBER OF HOURS OF SERVICE DURING THE 12-MONTH PERIOD IMMEDIATELY
7 BEFORE THE EVENT RESULTING IN THE ABSENCE ON AN APPROVED MEDICAL
8 LEAVE.

9 (3) SERVICE CREDIT PURCHASED UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL NOT BE
10 USED TO SATISFY THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF YEARS OF SERVICE CREDIT
11 REQUIRED TO RECEIVE A RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE UNDER THIS ACT.

12 (4) IF A MEMBER WHO MADE PAYMENT UNDER THIS SECTION DIES OR
13 LEAVES REPORTING UNIT SERVICE BEFORE HIS OR HER RETIREMENT
14 BECOMES EFFECTIVE, THE PAYMENT MADE BY THE MEMBER UNDER THIS SEC-
15 TION SHALL BE REFUNDED UPON REQUEST TO THE MEMBER OR THE MEMBER'S
16 REFUND BENEFICIARY, IF ANY, OR TO THE MEMBER'S LEGAL REPRESENTA-
17 TIVE OR ESTATE.

18 (5) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "APPROVED MEDICAL LEAVE" MEANS
19 THE PERIOD DURING WHICH A MEMBER IS ABSENT FROM SERVICE BECAUSE
20 OF A TEMPORARY PERSONAL INJURY OR MENTAL OR PHYSICAL ILLNESS AS
21 AUTHORIZED AND CERTIFIED BY THE MEMBER'S REPORTING UNIT.