## SENATE BILL No. 479

May 30, 1989, Introduced by Senators ARTHURHULTZ, O'BRIEN, DILLINGHAM, BARCIA, GAST, IRWIN, FAUST, KELLY, DI NELLO, SCHWARZ, GEAKE, ENGLER, BINSFELD and EHLERS and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend sections 1, 23, 25, and 27 of Act No. 240 of the Public Acts of 1943, entitled as amended
"State employees' retirement act,"
section 1 as amended by Act No. 338 of the Public Acts of 1988,
sections 23 and 27 as amended by Act No. 241 of the Public Acts
of 1987, and section 25 as amended by Act No. 1 of the Public
Acts of 1986, being sections 38.1, 38.23, 38.25, and 38.27 of the
Michigan Compiled Laws; and to add section 48.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Section 1. Sections 1, 23, 25, and 27 of Act No. 240 of the
- 2 Public Acts of 1943, section 1 as amended by Act No. 338 of the
- 3 Public Acts of 1988, sections 23 and 27 as amended by Act No. 241
- 4 of the Public Acts of 1987, and section 25 as amended by Act
- 5 No. 1 of the Public Acts of 1986, being sections 38.1, 38.23,

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- 1 38.25, and 38.27 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are amended and 2 section 48 is added to read as follows:
- 3 Sec. 1. As used in this act:
- 4 (a) "Retirement system" means the state employees' retire-5 ment system <del>provided for in this act</del> CREATED BY SECTION 2.
- 6 (b) "Retirement board" means the board provided for in this
  7 act SECTION 2 to administer the retirement system.
- 8 (c) "State treasurer" means the treasurer of this state.
- 9 (d) "Employer" or "state" means this state.
- (e) "Member" means a state employee included in the member11 ship of the retirement system, as provided for in section 13.
- (f) "Original member" means a person who became a member of this retirement system before January 1, 1945, or as provided in 14 section 18.
- (g) "New member" means a person who becomes a member of this
  16 retirement system on or after January 1, 1945.
- (h) "Appointing authority" means the departmental officer

  18 who has the responsibility of making appointments and handling

  19 all other personnel transactions affecting the employees in the

  20 agency —which— THAT the officer represents.
- 21 (i) "Service" means service rendered to the state by an 22 elected or appointed state official or employee of the state.
- 23 Credit for service shall be determined by appropriate rules and
- 24 regulations of the retirement board, but not more than 1 year of
- 25 service shall be creditable for all service in 1 calendar year.
- 26 The retirement board shall not allow credit as service for any
- 27 period of more than 1 month in any 1 calendar year during which

- 1 the employee was absent without pay. However, full service
- 2 credit shall be given for a period during which an employee is on
- 3 leave of absence and is receiving worker's compensation benefits
- 4 as the result of a duty incurred disability. Full service credit
- 5 shall also be given to an employee for required 1-day layoffs,
- 6 for voluntary or involuntary participation in pay reduction plan
- 7 A, pay reduction plan B, or both, in effect during the fiscal
- 8 years ending on and after September 30, 1981, and for required
- 9 and designated temporary layoffs.
- (j) "Prior service" means all service as a state employee or
- 11 as an appointed state officer, and as an elected or appointed
- 12 state official, rendered before July 1, 1943.
- (k) "Membership service" means all service rendered after
- 14 July 1, 1943.
- 15 (2) "Credited service" means the sum of the prior service
- 16 and membership service credited to a member's service account.
- (m) "Retirant" means a person who has ceased to be a member
- 18 of the retirement system by reason of retirement with a pension
- 19 or retirement allowance payable from the funds of the retirement
- 20 system.
- 21 (n) "Beneficiary" or "disability beneficiary" means a person
- 22 other than a retirant who receives a retirement allowance, pen-
- 23 sion, or other benefit provided by this act.
- (o) "Regular interest" means a rate or rates per annum, com-
- 25 pounded annually, as the retirement board determines. For the
- 26 purposes of employee refunds, the interest rate payable shall not
- 27 exceed 4% per annum, compounded annually.

- (p) "Accumulated contributions" means the sum of all amounts
- 2 deducted from the compensation of a member and credited to the
- 3 member's individual account in the employees' savings fund,
- 4 together with regular interest on that account.
- 5 (q) "Compensation" means the remuneration paid a member on
- 6 account of the member's services rendered to the state. If a
- 7 member's remuneration is not paid totally in money, the retire-
- 8 ment board shall employ the maintenance-compensation schedules
- 9 established from time to time by the civil service commission.
- 10 Compensation does not include any of the following:
- (i) Remuneration paid in lieu of accumulated sick leave.
- (ii) Remuneration for services rendered after October 1,
- 13 1981, payable at retirement or termination under voluntary or
- 14 involuntary pay reduction plan B, in excess of the amount the
- 15 member would have received had the member been compensated for
- 16 those services at the rate of pay in effect at the time those
- 17 services were performed.
- (iii) Payment for accrued annual leave at separation in
- 19 excess of 240 hours.
- 20 (iv) Remuneration received by an employee of the department
- 21 of mental health resulting from severance pay received because of
- 22 the deinstitutionalization of the department of mental health
- 23 resident population.
- (v) Remuneration received as a bonus by investment managers
- 25 of the department of treasury under the treasury incentive bonus
- 26 plan first approved by the civil service commission on

- 1 February 11, 1988, pursuant to section 5 of article XI of the 2 state constitution of 1963.
- (r) "Final average compensation" means the average of those 4 years of highest annual compensation received by a member during 5 a period of 5 consecutive years of credited service; or if the 6 member has less than 5 years of credited service, then the aver-7 age of the annual compensation received by the member during the 8 member's total years of credited service. For a person whose 9 retirement allowance effective date is on or after October 1, 10 1987, "final average compensation" means the average of those 11 years of highest annual compensation received by a member during 12 a period of 3 consecutive years of credited service; or if the 13 member has less than 3 years of credited service, then the aver-14 age of the annual compensation received by the member during the 15 member's total years of credited service. A member's final aver-16 age compensation shall not be diminished because of required 17 1-day layoffs. The compensation used in computing the final 18 average compensation for a period during which a member is in a 19 voluntary or involuntary pay reduction plan A or on a designated 20 temporary layoff shall include the value of the hours not worked 21 calculated at the member's hourly rate or rates of pay in effect 22 immediately preceding the applicable final average compensation 23 period. A member's final average compensation shall be neither 24 increased nor decreased by the member's participation in volun-25 tary or involuntary pay reduction plan B. Payment for accrued 26 annual leave at separation in excess of 240 hours shall not be 27 included in final average compensation.

- 1 (s) "Final compensation" means a member's annual rate of 2 compensation at the time the member last terminates employment 3 with the state.
- 4 (t) "Annuity" means annual payments for life derived from 5 the accumulated contributions of a member. An annuity shall be 6 paid in equal monthly installments.
- 7 (u) "Pension" means annual payments for life payable from 8 funds of the retirement system as provided in this act. A pen- 9 sion shall be paid in equal monthly installments.
- (v) "Retirement allowance" means the sum of the annuity and the pension.
- (w) "Annuity reserve" means the present value, computed upon 13 the basis of mortality and other tables adopted by the retirement 14 board, of all payments to be made on account of an annuity, or 15 benefits in lieu of an annuity, granted to a member under this 16 act.
- (x) "Pension reserve" means the present value, computed upon 18 the basis of mortality and other tables adopted by the retirement 19 board, of all payments to be made on account of a pension, or 20 benefits in lieu of a pension, granted to a member under this
- (y) "Employee" means a person who may become eligible for membership under this act, as provided in section 13, if the person's compensation is paid in whole or in part by the state.
- (z) "Pay reduction plan A" means the plan available to or
  26 required of a member during the fiscal years ending on and after
  27 September 30, 1981 under which the member may elect to reduce by

- 1 1 hour or more in any 80-hour pay period the number of hours
- 2 worked with a corresponding reduction in compensation.
- 3 (aa) "Pay reduction plan B" means the plan available to or
- 4 required of a member during the fiscal years ending on and after
- 5 September 30, 1981 under which the member may elect to work a
- 6 full 80-hour pay period, defer compensation for 1 or more of
- 7 those hours, and accumulate or use the hours for which compensa-
- 8 tion has been deferred in the same manner as annual leave hours.
- 9 (bb) "Designated temporary layoff" means the layoff of a
- 10 member, which layoff has a duration not to exceed 1 month and a
- 11 fixed, predetermined, and announced recall date.
- 12 (cc) "Deferred member" means a member who is separated from
- 13 state service for a reason other than retirement or death and who
- 14 has satisfied the requirements of section 20(4) or (5) for a
- 15 deferred retirement allowance.
- 16 (dd) "Actuarial cost" means a single percentage which, when
- 17 multiplied by a member's fiscal year compensation, will result in
- 18 the average actuarial present value of the additional benefits
- 19 resulting from the crediting of 1 additional year of service.
- 20 This single percentage shall be based on the members who utilize
- 21 those sections of this act that permit the purchase of service.
- 22 For purchases of service credit made before December 31, 1990,
- 23 the single percentage shall be 9%. Beginning December 31, 1990
- 24 and every 3 years thereafter, the single percentage shall be com-
- 25 puted based upon actual experience. If the computation results
- 26 in an increase or decrease in the percentage, not less than 6
- 27 months' notice shall be given to the members.

- (EE) "CONSERVATION OFFICER" MEANS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE
- 2 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, OR ITS PREDECESSOR OR SUCCESSOR
- 3 AGENCY, WHO HAS SWORN TO THE PRESCRIBED OATH OF OFFICE AND WHO IS
- 4 DESIGNATED AS A PEACE OFFICER UNDER SECTION 6 OF ACT NO. 192 OF
- 5 THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1929, BEING SECTION 300.16 OF THE MICHIGAN
- 6 COMPILED LAWS, OR SECTION ! OF ACT NO. 109 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF
- 7 1986, BEING SECTION 300.21 OF THE MICHIGAN COMPILED LAWS.
- 8 Sec. 23. -Upon EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 48, UPON
- 9 retirement for disability -- as provided for in section 21, a
- 10 member who has not attained age 60 years shall receive the fol-
- 11 lowing benefits, subject to the provisions of sections 33 and
- 12 34:
- 13 (a) A disability retirement allowance of 2/3 of the
- 14 retirant's final average compensation, the retirement allowance
- 15 to begin as of date of the retirant's disability, but not more
- 16 than 6 months before the date the retirant's application for dis-
- 17 ability retirement was filed with the retirement board, and not
- 18 before the date the retirant's name last appeared on a state pay-
- 19 roll with pay, whichever is later, and to continue to the attain-
- 20 ment of age 60 years or recovery or death, whichever event shall
- 21 first occur. The disability retirement allowance payable to a
- 22 disability retirant shall not exceed \$6,000.00 per annum, nor be
- 23 more than an amount which when added to the statutory worker's
- 24 compensation benefits applicable in the retirant's case shall
- 25 exceed the retirant's final compensation. The increase in the
- 26 maximum amount payable under this subdivision as provided by
- 27 this 1987 amendatory act ACT NO. 241 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1987

- 1 shall be payable to retirants on the pension payroll as of 2 July 1, 1987.
- 3 (b) Upon attaining age 60 years or July 1, 1987, whichever
- 4 is later, the disability retirant shall receive a retirement
- 5 allowance computed according to section 20. In computing the
- 6 retirant's retirement allowance, the retirant shall be given mem-
- 7 bership service credit for the period during which the retirant
- 8 was receiving the disability retirement allowance provided for in
- 9 subdivision (a). If the computation results in a retirement
- 10 allowance less than the disability retirement allowance provided
- 11 in subdivision (a), the retirant shall receive a retirement
- 12 allowance equal to the disability retirement allowance. Upon
- 13 attaining age 60 years or July 1, 1987, whichever is later, the
- 14 retirant may elect an option provided for in section 31(1).
- (c) During the period a disability retirant is receiving a
- 16 disability retirement allowance as provided for in subdivi-
- 17 sion (a), the retirant's contributions to the employees' savings
- 18 fund shall be suspended and the balance in the fund, standing to
- 19 the retirant's credit as of the date the disability retirement
- 20 allowance begins, shall remain in the savings fund and shall be
- 21 accumulated at regular interest. Upon attaining age 60 years or
- 22 July 1, 1987, whichever is later, the retirant's accumulated con-
- 23 tributions shall be transferred from the employees' savings fund
- 24 to the pension reserve fund. If the disability retirant -should
- 25 die DIES before attaining age 60 years, the accumulated contri-
- 26 butions standing to the retirant's credit in the employees'
- 27 savings fund shall be paid to the person or persons the retirant

- 1 nominated by written designation duly executed and filed with the
- 2 retirement board, or if there is not a designated person or per-
- 3 sons surviving, then to the retirant's legal representative OR
- 4 ESTATE.
- 5 Sec. 25. -Upon- EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 48, UPON
- 6 retirement for disability -, as provided in section 24, a member
- 7 shall receive a retirement allowance computed in accordance with
- 8 section 20(1). The retirement allowance or pension provided
- 9 shall not be less than \$600.00 per annum. Upon retirement, the
- 10 member may elect an option provided for in section 31(1).
- 11 Sec. 27. (1) —If— EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 48, IF a
- 12 member dies as a result of a personal injury or disease arising
- 13 out of and in the course of his or her employment with the state,
- 14 or a disability retirant who retired under section 21 dies prior
- 15 to becoming age 60 and within 3 years after the member's disabil-
- 16 ity retirement from the same causes for which he or she was
- 17 retired -, and -such THE death or illness or injuries resulting
- 18 in death are found by the retirement board to have been the sole
- 19 and exclusive result of employment with the state, the applicable
- 20 benefits provided in subsections (2), (3), (4), and (5) shall be
- 21 paid, subject to subsection (6).
- (2) The accumulated contributions standing to the member's
- 23 account in the employees' savings fund shall be paid to such
- 24 person or persons as the member has nominated by written designa-
- 25 tion duly executed and filed with the retirement board, or if
- 26 there are no such designated person or persons surviving, then to
- 27 the member's legal representative OR ESTATE.

- 1 (3) A retirement allowance of 1/3 of the final compensation
  2 of the deceased person shall be paid to the surviving spouse to
  3 whom the deceased person was married at the time he or she last
  4 terminated employment with the state. If a child or children
  5 under the age of 18 years also survives the deceased person, each
  6 such child shall receive an allowance of an equal share of 1/4 of
  7 the deceased person's final compensation. Upon the marriage,
  8 death, or attainment of age 18 years of any such child, there
  9 shall be a redistribution by the retirement board to the deceased
  10 person's remaining children under age 18 years.
- (4) If there is no surviving spouse or if the surviving 11 12 spouse dies before the youngest surviving child of the deceased 13 person reaches the age of 18 years, then each such child under 14 age 18 shall each receive an allowance equal to 1/4 of the 15 deceased person's final compensation, but the total so paid in 16 any year to the children of a deceased person shall not exceed 17 1/2 of his or her final compensation. If there are more than 2 18 such surviving children under age 18 years, each such child shall 19 receive an allowance of an equal share of 1/2 of the deceased 20 person's final compensation. Upon the marriage, death, or 21 attainment of age 18 years of any such child, the child's allow-22 ance shall terminate and there shall be a redistribution by the 23 retirement board to any remaining eligible children of the 24 deceased under age 18, but a child shall not receive an allowance 25 more than 1/4 of the deceased person's final compensation.
- (5) If there is neither a spouse nor a child under age 1827 years surviving the deceased person, then there shall be paid to

- 1 each parent of the deceased person whom the retirement board
- 2 after investigation determines to have been actually dependent
- 3 upon the deceased person through absence of earning power due to
- 4 disability, an allowance of 1/6 of the deceased person's final
- 5 compensation.
- 6 (6) The total of the retirement allowances payable under
- 7 subsections (3), (4), and (5) on account of the death of a member
- 8 or DISABILITY retirant shall not exceed \$2,400.00 per annum, nor
- 9 an amount which, when added to the statutory worker's compensa-
- 10 tion benefit to which the dependents of the member or retirant
- 11 are entitled, exceeds his or her final compensation.
- 12 SEC. 48. (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (2), A MEMBER
- 13 WHO IS A CONSERVATION OFFICER AND WHO HAS 25 OR MORE YEARS OF
- 14 CREDITED SERVICE, OF WHICH THE LAST 15 YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE
- 15 IS AS A CONSERVATION OFFICER, MAY RETIRE UPON WRITTEN APPLICATION
- 16 TO THE RETIREMENT BOARD, STATING A DATE, NOT LESS THAN 30 NOR
- 17 MORE THAN 90 DAYS AFTER THE EXECUTION AND FILING OF THE APPLICA-
- 18 TION, ON WHICH HE OR SHE DESIRES TO RETIRE. BEGINNING ON THE
- 19 RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE EFFECTIVE DATE, HE OR SHE SHALL RECEIVE A
- 20 RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE COMPUTED UNDER SUBSECTION (3). THIS SUBSEC-
- 21 TION DOES NOT PROHIBIT A MEMBER WHO IS A CONSERVATION OFFICER AND
- 22 WHO DOES NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SUBSECTION FROM QUALI-
- 23 FYING FOR A RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE UNDER ANY OTHER PROVISION OF
- 24 THIS ACT.
- 25 (2) BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 1990, A MEMBER WHO IS A CONSERVA-
- 26 TION OFFICER AND WHO IS 56 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER OR WHO BECOMES
- 27 56 YEARS OF AGE SHALL RETIRE ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE CALENDAR

- 1 MONTH IN WHICH THE MEMBER IS OR BECOMES 56 YEARS OF AGE. THE
- 2 MEMBER SHALL RECEIVE A RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE COMPUTED UNDER
- 3 SUBSECTION (3). A MEMBER WHO IS A CONSERVATION OFFICER ON THE
- 4 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SECTION MAY
- 5 ELECT TO BE EXEMPT FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION BY
- 6 FILING A WRITTEN NOTICE OF HIS OR HER ELECTION WITH THE RETIRE-
- 7 MENT BOARD NOT MORE THAN 60 DAYS AFTER SUCH EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 8 (3) A MEMBER WHO IS A CONSERVATION OFFICER AND WHO RETIRES
- 9 UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OR (2) SHALL RECEIVE A RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE
- 10 EQUAL TO 60% OF THE MEMBER'S AVERAGE ANNUAL COMPENSATION FOR THE
- 11 MEMBER'S LAST 2 YEARS OF SERVICE AS A CONSERVATION OFFICER.
- 12 (4) PURSUANT TO RULES PROMULGATED BY THE BOARD, A MEMBER WHO
- 13 RETIRES UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OR (2) PRIOR TO BECOMING 65 YEARS
- 14 OLD MAY ELECT TO HAVE HIS OR HER REGULAR RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE
- 15 EQUATED ON AN ACTUARIAL BASIS TO PROVIDE AN INCREASED RETIREMENT
- 16 ALLOWANCE PAYABLE TO AGE 65 AND A REDUCED RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE
- 17 PAYABLE AFTER BECOMING 65 YEARS OLD. THE RETIRANT'S INCREASED
- 18 RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAYABLE TO AGE 65 SHALL APPROXIMATELY EQUAL
- 19 THE SUM OF HIS OR HER REDUCED RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAYABLE AFTER
- 20 AGE 65 AND HIS OR HER ESTIMATED SOCIAL SECURITY PRIMARY INSURANCE
- 21 AMOUNT.
- 22 (5) IF A RETIRANT RECEIVING A RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE UNDER
- 23 SUBSECTION (3) OR A DISABILITY RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE UNDER SUBSEC-
- 24 TION (7) OR (8) DIES, THE RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE SHALL CONTINUE TO
- 25 BE PAID TO THE SURVIVING SPOUSE OF THE RETIRANT FOR THE REST OF
- 26 THE SPOUSE'S LIFE. IF THERE IS NOT A SURVIVING SPOUSE OR UPON
- 27 THE SPOUSE'S DEATH, THEN THE RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE SHALL BE PAID

- 1 TO THE CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18 OF THE RETIRANT, SHARE AND
- 2 SHARE ALIKE. IF THE SURVIVING SPOUSE DIES AND THERE ARE NOT ELI-
- 3 GIBLE CHILDREN AND THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF THE RETIREMENT ALLOW-
- 4 ANCE PAID UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS LESS THAN THE ACCUMULATED CON-
- 5 TRIBUTIONS CREDITED TO THE RETIRANT IN THE EMPLOYEES' SAVINGS
- 6 FUND AT THE TIME OF HIS OR HER RETIREMENT, THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN
- 7 THE RETIRANT'S ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS AND THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT
- 8 OF THE RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAID UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE
- 9 PAID TO THE DECEASED RETIRANT'S LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OR ESTATE.
- 10 (6) IF A MEMBER WHO IS A CONSERVATION OFFICER HAS 10 OR MORE
- 11 YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE AS A CONSERVATION OFFICER AND IS SEPA-
- 12 RATED FROM THE SERVICE OF THE STATE FOR A REASON OTHER THAN
- 13 RETIREMENT OR DEATH, HE OR SHE SHALL REMAIN A MEMBER DURING THE
- 14 PERIOD OF ABSENCE FROM THE STATE SERVICE FOR THE EXCLUSIVE PUR-
- 15 POSE OF RECEIVING A RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PROVIDED FOR IN THIS
- 16 SUBSECTION. IF THE MEMBER WITHDRAWS ALL OR PART OF HIS OR HER
- 17 ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS, HE OR SHE SHALL CEASE TO BE A MEMBER.
- 18 UPON BECOMING 50 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, THE MEMBER MAY RETIRE
- 19 UPON HIS OR HER WRITTEN APPLICATION TO THE RETIREMENT BOARD AS
- 20 PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (1). BEGINNING ON THE RETIREMENT ALLOW-
- 21 ANCE EFFECTIVE DATE, HE OR SHE SHALL RECEIVE A RETIREMENT ALLOW-
- 22 ANCE EQUAL TO THE SUM OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 23 (A) THE MEMBER'S YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE AS A CONSERVATION
- 24 OFFICER, NOT TO EXCEED 25, MULTIPLIED BY 2% OF THE MEMBER'S AVER-
- 25 AGE ANNUAL SALARY FOR THE LAST 2 YEARS OF THE MEMBER'S SERVICE AS
- 26 A CONSERVATION OFFICER.

- 1 (B) THE MEMBER'S YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE IN A CAPACITY
- 2 OTHER THAN AS A CONSERVATION OFFICER MULTIPLIED BY 1-1/2% OF THE
- 3 MEMBER'S FINAL AVERAGE COMPENSATION FOR THOSE YEARS OF CREDITED
- 4 SERVICE.
- 5 (7) UPON RETIREMENT FOR DISABILITY AS PROVIDED FOR IN SEC-
- 6 TION 21, A MEMBER WHO IS A CONSERVATION OFFICER AND WHO IS NOT 60
- 7 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER SHALL RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS,
- 8 SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 33 AND 34:
- 9 (A) A DISABILITY RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE COMPUTED UNDER SUBSEC-
- 10 TION (3), THE RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE TO BEGIN AS OF THE DATE OF THE
- 11 RETIRANT'S DISABILITY, BUT NOT MORE THAN 6 MONTHS BEFORE THE DATE
- 12 THE RETIRANT'S APPLICATION FOR DISABILITY RETIREMENT WAS FILED
- 13 WITH THE RETIREMENT BOARD, AND NOT BEFORE THE DATE THE RETIRANT'S
- 14 NAME LAST APPEARED ON A STATE PAYROLL WITH PAY, WHICHEVER IS
- 15 LATER, AND TO CONTINUE TO AGE 60 OR RECOVERY OR DEATH, WHICHEVER
- 16 OCCURS FIRST. THE DISABILITY RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAYABLE TO A
- 17 DISABILITY RETIRANT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT BE MORE THAN
- 18 AN AMOUNT WHICH WHEN ADDED TO THE STATUTORY WORKER'S COMPENSATION
- 19 BENEFITS APPLICABLE IN THE RETIRANT'S CASE EXCEEDS THE RETIRANT'S
- 20 FINAL COMPENSATION. THE DISABILITY RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE PAYABLE
- 21 UNDER THIS SUBDIVISION IS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (5).
- 22 (B) UPON BECOMING 60 YEARS OLD, THE DISABILITY RETIRANT
- 23 SHALL RECEIVE A RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE COMPUTED UNDER SUBSECTION
- 24 (3). IN COMPUTING THE RETIRANT'S RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE UNDER THIS
- 25 SUBDIVISION, THE RETIRANT SHALL BE GIVEN MEMBERSHIP SERVICE
- 26 CREDIT FOR THE PERIOD DURING WHICH THE RETIRANT WAS RECEIVING THE
- 27 DISABILITY RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE UNDER SUBDIVISION (A).

- 1 (C) DURING THE PERIOD A DISABILITY RETIRANT IS RECEIVING A
- 2 DISABILITY RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE UNDER SUBDIVISION (A), THE
- 3 RETIRANT'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE EMPLOYEES' SAVINGS FUND SHALL BE
- 4 SUSPENDED AND THE BALANCE IN THE FUND, STANDING TO THE RETIRANT'S
- 5 CREDIT AS OF THE DATE THE DISABILITY RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE BEGINS,
- 6 SHALL REMAIN IN THE EMPLOYEES' SAVINGS FUND AND SHALL BE ACCUMU-
- 7 LATED AT REGULAR INTEREST. WHEN THE DISABILITY RETIRANT BECOMES
- 8 60 YEARS OLD, THE RETIRANT'S ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE
- 9 TRANSFERRED FROM THE EMPLOYEES' SAVINGS FUND TO THE PENSION
- 10 RESERVE FUND.
- 11 (8) UPON RETIREMENT FOR DISABILITY AS PROVIDED IN SECTION
- 12 24, A MEMBER WHO IS A CONSERVATION OFFICER SHALL RECEIVE A
- 13 RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE COMPUTED UNDER SUBSECTION (3). THE RETIRE-
- 14 MENT ALLOWANCE PAYABLE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS SUBJECT TO SUB-
- 15 SECTION (5).
- 16 (9) IF A MEMBER WHO IS A CONSERVATION OFFICER DIES AS A
- 17 RESULT OF A PERSONAL INJURY OR DISEASE ARISING OUT OF AND IN THE
- 18 COURSE OF HIS OR HER EMPLOYMENT WITH THE STATE AND THE DEATH OR
- 19 ILLNESS OR INJURIES RESULTING IN DEATH ARE FOUND BY THE RETIRE-
- 20 MENT BOARD TO HAVE BEEN THE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE RESULT OF EMPLOY-
- 21 MENT WITH THE STATE, THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS SHALL BE PAID,
- 22 SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (10):
- 23 (A) THE ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS STANDING TO THE MEMBER'S
- 24 ACCOUNT IN THE EMPLOYEES' SAVINGS FUND SHALL BE PAID TO SUCH
- 25 PERSON OR PERSONS AS THE MEMBER HAS NOMINATED BY WRITTEN DESIGNA-
- 26 TION DULY EXECUTED AND FILED WITH THE RETIREMENT BOARD, OR IF

- 1 THERE IS NO SUCH DESIGNATED PERSON OR PERSONS SURVIVING, THEN TO
- 2 THE MEMBER'S LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OR ESTATE.
- 3 (B) A RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE OF 1/3 OF THE FINAL COMPENSATION
- 4 OF THE DECEASED PERSON SHALL BE PAID TO THE SURVIVING SPOUSE TO
- 5 WHOM THE DECEASED PERSON WAS MARRIED AT THE TIME HE OR SHE LAST
- 6 TERMINATED EMPLOYMENT WITH THE STATE. IF A CHILD OR CHILDREN
- 7 UNDER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS ALSO SURVIVES THE DECEASED PERSON, EACH
- 8 SUCH CHILD SHALL RECEIVE AN ALLOWANCE OF AN EQUAL SHARE OF 1/4 OF
- 9 THE DECEASED PERSON'S FINAL COMPENSATION. UPON THE MARRIAGE,
- 10 DEATH, OR ATTAINMENT OF AGE 18 YEARS OF ANY SUCH CHILD. THERE
- 11 SHALL BE A REDISTRIBUTION BY THE RETIREMENT BOARD TO THE DECEASED
- 12 PERSON'S REMAINING CHILDREN UNDER AGE 18 YEARS.
- (C) IF THERE IS NO SURVIVING SPOUSE OR IF THE SURVIVING
- 14 SPOUSE DIES BEFORE THE YOUNGEST SURVIVING CHILD OF THE DECEASED
- 15 PERSON REACHES THE AGE OF 18 YEARS, THEN EACH SUCH CHILD UNDER
- 16 AGE 18 SHALL EACH RECEIVE AN ALLOWANCE EQUAL TO 1/4 OF THE
- 17 DECEASED PERSON'S FINAL COMPENSATION, BUT THE TOTAL SO PAID IN
- 18 ANY YEAR TO THE CHILDREN OF A DECEASED PERSON SHALL NOT EXCEED
- 19 1/2 OF HIS OR HER FINAL COMPENSATION. IF THERE ARE MORE THAN 2
- 20 SUCH SURVIVING CHILDREN UNDER AGE 18 YEARS, EACH SUCH CHILD SHALL
- 21 RECEIVE AN ALLOWANCE OF AN EQUAL SHARE OF 1/2 OF THE DECEASED
- 22 PERSON'S FINAL COMPENSATION. UPON THE MARRIAGE, DEATH, OR
- 23 ATTAINMENT OF AGE 18 YEARS OF ANY SUCH CHILD, THE CHILD'S ALLOW-
- 24 ANCE SHALL TERMINATE AND THERE SHALL BE A REDISTRIBUTION BY THE
- 25 RETIREMENT BOARD TO ANY REMAINING ELIGIBLE CHILDREN OF THE
- 26 DECEASED UNDER AGE 18, BUT A CHILD SHALL NOT RECEIVE AN ALLOWANCE
- 27 MORE THAN 1/4 OF THE DECEASED PERSON'S FINAL COMPENSATION.

- 1 (D) IF THERE IS NEITHER A SPOUSE NOR A CHILD UNDER AGE 18
- 2 YEARS SURVIVING THE DECEASED PERSON, THEN THERE SHALL BE PAID TO
- 3 EACH PARENT OF THE DECEASED PERSON WHOM THE RETIREMENT BOARD
- 4 AFTER INVESTIGATION DETERMINES TO HAVE BEEN ACTUALLY DEPENDENT
- 5 UPON THE DECEASED PERSON, THROUGH ABSENCE OF EARNING POWER DUE TO
- 6 DISABILITY, AN ALLOWANCE OF 1/6 OF THE DECEASED PERSON'S FINAL
- 7 COMPENSATION.
- 8 (10) THE TOTAL OF THE RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES PAYABLE UNDER
- 9 SUBSECTION (9) ON ACCOUNT OF THE DEATH OF A MEMBER WHO AT THE
- 10 TIME OF DEATH WAS A CONSERVATION OFFICER, WHEN ADDED TO THE STAT-
- 11 UTORY WORKER'S COMPENSATION BENEFITS PAYABLE IN THE DECEASED
- 12 RETIRANT'S CASE, SHALL NOT EXCEED THE MEMBER'S AVERAGE ANNUAL
- 13 COMPENSATION FOR THE MEMBER'S LAST 2 YEARS OF SERVICE AS A CON-
- 14 SERVATION OFFICER.