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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5578 AS INTRODUCED 4-26-88

The county employee retirement act authorizes county boards of commissioners to provide insurance, pension, or retirement benefits to county employees, and employees of county offices, boards, or departments, including the boards of county road commissioners. The bill would amend the act to allow certain counties to extend these benefits to employees of county credit unions. Under the bill, county boards of commissioners in counties with populations of 400,000 or more could offer insurance and retirement benefits to employees of credit unions incorporated under the credit union act, provided that the credit unions' membership included county employees and elected and appointed county officials. The county board of commissioners could also provide for retroactive effective dates for membership.

At present under the act county boards of commissioners may require county employees who are not elected or appointed officials to retire from county service when they reach the age of 65, if the pension or retirement plan carries this provision. The boards of commissioners may also designate the specific age at which all county employees cease to be members of the retirement system and may not accumulate additional pension or retirement benefits. The bill would delete this provision of the act. The bill would also amend the act to add to the list of employees not eligible for membership in county retirement or pension plans those persons participating in Michigan Community Service Corps programs established in 1984.

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