## SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5114

A bill to amend 1957 PA 261, entitled
"Michigan legislative retirement system act,"
by amending the title and sections 8a, 9, 13a, 14, 20, 22a, 22c,
23, 23d, 26, 30, 57, 59a, 61, 62, 63, and 80 (MCL 38.1008a,
38.1009, 38.1013a, 38.1014, 38.1020, 38.1022a, 38.1022c, 38.1023,
38.1023d, 38.1026, 38.1030, 38.1057, 38.1059a, 38.1061, 38.1062,
38.1063, and 38.1080), the title as amended and sections 61, 63,
and 80 as added by 1996 PA 486, sections 8a and 59a as added by
1995 PA 175, sections 9, 22c, 23, 23d, and 26 as amended by 1998
PA 501, section 13a as amended by 1998 PA 78, sections 14 and 20
as amended by 1981 PA 123, sections 22a and 30 as amended by 1994
PA 359, section 57 as amended by 1995 PA 258, and section 62 as
amended by 1998 PA 305.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

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1 TITLE

2 An act for the creation, maintenance, and administration of 3 a legislative members' and presiding officers' retirement system within the legislature; to provide retirement allowances to the 4 5 participants of the retirement system, and survivors' allowances 6 and other benefits to their beneficiaries upon death; to exempt 7 those allowances and benefits from certain taxes and legal pro-8 cesses; TO ESTABLISH CERTAIN FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH THE RETIRE-MENT SYSTEM; to authorize and make appropriations for the retire-9 10 ment system; to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state 11 departments, agencies, officials, and employees; and to prescribe 12 penalties and provide remedies. 13 Sec. 8a. (1) Except BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2002, EXCEPT as 14 otherwise provided in this subsection, "eligible retirement plan" 15 means an individual retirement account described in section 16 408(a) of the internal revenue code, an individual retirement annuity described in section 408(b) of the internal revenue code, 17 18 an annuity plan described in section 403(a) of the internal revenue code, or a qualified trust described in section 401(a) of the 19 internal revenue code, AN ANNUITY CONTRACT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 20 21 403(b) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, OR AN ELIGIBLE PLAN UNDER SECTION 457(b) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE THAT IS MAINTAINED BY 22 A STATE, POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF A STATE, OR AN AGENCY OR 23 INSTRUMENTALITY OF A STATE OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF A STATE 24 25 AND THAT AGREES TO SEPARATELY ACCOUNT FOR AMOUNTS TRANSFERRED INTO THE ELIGIBLE PLAN UNDER SECTION 457(b) OF THE INTERNAL 26

REVENUE CODE FROM THIS RETIREMENT SYSTEM, that accepts the

- 1 distributee's eligible rollover distribution. However, in the
- 2 case of an eligible rollover distribution to a surviving spouse
- 3 ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2001, an eligible retirement plan means
- 4 an individual retirement account or an individual retirement
- 5 annuity described above.
- 6 (2) "Eligible BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2002, "ELIGIBLE roll-
- 7 over distribution" means a distribution of all or any portion of
- 8 the balance to the credit of the distributee. Eligible rollover
- 9 distribution does not include any of the following:
- 10 (a) A distribution made for the life or life expectancy of
- 11 the distributee or the joint lives or joint life expectancies of
- 12 the distributee and the distributee's designated beneficiary.
- 13 (b) A distribution for a specified period of 10 years or
- 14 more.
- 15 (c) A distribution to the extent that the distribution is
- 16 required under section 401(a)(9) of the internal revenue code.
- 17 (d) The portion of any distribution that is not includable
- 18 in federal gross income, determined without regard to the exclu-
- 19 sion for net unrealized appreciation with respect to employer
- 20 securities, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT THAT THE PORTION OF THE DISTRI-
- 21 BUTION THAT IS NOT INCLUDABLE IN FEDERAL GROSS INCOME IS PAID TO
- 22 EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 23 (i) AN INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNT OR ANNUITY DESCRIBED IN
- 24 SECTION 408(a) OR (b) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.
- 25 (ii) A QUALIFIED DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN AS DESCRIBED IN
- 26 SECTION 401(a) OR 403(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE THAT AGREES
- 27 TO SEPARATELY ACCOUNT FOR AMOUNTS SO TRANSFERRED, INCLUDING

- 1 SEPARATELY ACCOUNTING FOR THE PORTION OF THE DISTRIBUTION WHICH
- 2 IS INCLUDABLE IN GROSS INCOME AND THE PORTION OF SUCH DISTRIBU-
- 3 TION WHICH IS NOT SO INCLUDABLE.
- 4 (3) "Internal revenue code" means the United States internal
- 5 revenue code of 1986.
- 6 Sec. 9. (1) "Salary" means the compensation, common to all
- 7 legislators, exclusive of travel allowance, paid by the state for
- 8 1 year of service as a legislator. A member shall contribute to
- 9 the retirement system based on the percentage applied to that
- 10 salary.
- 11 (2) For purposes of section 23, salary also includes an
- 12 additional 2% through December 30, 1986, and 4% beginning
- 13 December 31, 1986, compounded annually and added for each year or
- 14 major portion of a year that expires after the member termi-
- 15 nates service and before the member retires, of the member's
- 16 greatest salary determined pursuant to subsection (1) received in
- 17 1 calendar year. This subsection only applies to a member who
- 18 first becomes a member on or before January 1, 1995, and whose
- 19 service terminates on or after December 1, 1978.
- 20 (3) For purposes of section 23, for a member who left serv-
- 21 ice before December 1, 1978, salary also includes an additional
- 22 2% for each year beginning January 1, 1979 through December 30,
- 23 1986 and 4% beginning December 31, 1986, compounded annually and
- 24 added for each year or -major portion of a year that expires
- 25 after the member terminates service and before the member
- 26 retires, of the member's greatest salary determined pursuant to
- 27 subsection (1) received in 1 calendar year.

- 1 (4) For purposes of section 23, salary also includes an
- 2 amount equal to the greatest amount of additional compensation
- 3 received in 1 calendar year as a result of being in a leadership
- 4 position, divided by 5, and then multiplied by the number of
- 5 years or <del>major</del> portion of a year, not to exceed 8, in which the
- 6 member was in a leadership position and received additional
- 7 compensation. Before a member who first becomes a member on or
- 8 before January 1, 1995, may have the additional compensation
- 9 included in salary under this subsection, the member shall pay to
- 10 the retirement system a sum equal to 9% of the total additional
- 11 compensation received. Before a member who first becomes a
- 12 member after January 1, 1995, may have the additional compensa-
- 13 tion included in salary under this subsection, the member shall
- 14 pay to the retirement system a sum equal to 7% of the total addi-
- 15 tional compensation received.
- Sec. 13a. (1) "Survivor" means the eligible surviving
- 17 spouse or eligible child or children of a member, deferred vested
- 18 member, or retirant.
- 19 (2) "Eligible child" means an unmarried child of a member,
- 20 deferred vested member, or retirant who is:
- 21 (a) Under 18 years of age.
- 22 (b) Over 18 years of age with a mental or physical disabil-
- 23 ity that precludes engaging in any gainful occupation.
- 24 (c) Over 18 years of age and regularly attending high school
- 25 or an accredited institution of higher learning until becoming 25
- 26 years of age or no longer regularly attending school, whichever
- 27 first occurs.

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- 1 (3) "SURVIVING SPOUSE" MEANS THE PERSON TO WHOM A MEMBER,
- 2 DEFERRED VESTED MEMBER, OR RETIRANT IS LEGALLY MARRIED AT THE
- 3 TIME OF HIS OR HER DEATH.
- 4 Sec. 14. "Refund beneficiary" means the 1 or more persons
- 5 named by a member, deferred vested member, or retirant in writing
- 6 and filed in the office of the retirement system to receive any
- 7 refund of a member, deferred vested member, or retirant's contri-
- 8 butions upon his or her death if a survivor's retirement allow-
- 9 ance is not payable under this act. In the absence of a valid
- 10 beneficiary designation, refund payment shall be made -only
- 11 pursuant to the order of the probate court EXECUTOR OR PER-
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- **13** ESTATE.
- 14 Sec. 20. (1) The members' retirement fund is created. The
- 15 fund shall accumulate reserves for the payment of retirement
- 16 allowances to retired members and deferred vested members as pro-
- 17 vided in this act. Upon the basis of mortality and other
- 18 experience tables, and the prescribed rate of interest, as the
- 19 board shall adopt, the actuary shall compute annually the amount
- 20 of retirement reserves for retirement allowances being paid to
- 21 retirants and covering service rendered and to be rendered by
- 22 members. It is the intention of this act that the retirement
- 23 reserves shall be financed by other revenues to the fund and that
- 24 annual appropriations shall be determined pursuant to
- 25 subsections (2), (3), and (4).
- 26 (2) The state's appropriation for current service shall be
- 27 an amount which THAT, if paid annually during the future

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- 1 service of members, will be sufficient to provide the reserves at
- 2 the time of the members' retirement, after allowing for the net
- 3 contributions to the members' savings fund to be made by the mem-
- 4 bers, for the future service portions of the retirement allow-
- 5 ances to which the members might become entitled.
- 6 (3) The state's appropriation for members' accrued service
- 7 shall be an amount -which THAT if paid annually over a period of
- 8 years determined by the board, but not to exceed 50 years, will
- 9 amortize at the prescribed rate of interest the unfunded reserves
- 10 for the accrued service portions of the retirement allowances to
- 11 which the members may become entitled.
- 12 (4) The state's appropriation for retirement allowances
- 13 being paid from the members' retirement fund shall be an amount
- 14 which THAT if paid annually over a period of years determined
- 15 by the board, but not to exceed 50 years, will amortize at the
- 16 prescribed rate of interest the unfunded reserves for the retire-
- 17 ment allowances.
- 18 (5) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ACT, IF THE
- 19 RETIREMENT BOARD ESTABLISHES AN ARRANGEMENT AND FUND AS DESCRIBED
- 20 IN SECTION 6 OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT BENEFIT PRESERVA-
- 21 TION ACT, THE BENEFITS THAT ARE REQUIRED TO BE PAID FROM THAT
- 22 FUND SHALL BE PAID FROM A PORTION OF THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS
- 23 DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION OR OTHER ELIGIBLE FUNDS. THE RETIRE-
- 24 MENT BOARD SHALL DETERMINE THE AMOUNT OF THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBU-
- 25 TIONS OR OTHER ELIGIBLE FUNDS THAT SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO THAT
- 26 FUND AND DEPOSIT THAT AMOUNT IN THAT FUND BEFORE IT DEPOSITS ANY

- 1 REMAINING EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS OR OTHER ELIGIBLE FUNDS IN THE
- 2 PENSION FUND.
- 3 Sec. 22a. (1) An income fund is created in the retirement
- 4 system. The retirement system shall credit to the income fund
- 5 all interest, dividends, and other income from the investment of
- 6 retirement system assets and all other money for which there is
- 7 no specific disposition provided in this act.
- **8** (2) The retirement board annually shall credit regular
- 9 interest on the preceding year balances in the members' retire-
- 10 ment fund, members' savings fund, survivors' retirement fund,
- 11 and grants and insurance revolving fund, AND THE HEALTH INSUR-
- 12 ANCE FUND. The retirement board shall charge to the income fund
- 13 the interest credited to the funds under this subsection.
- 14 (3) The retirement system shall pay the expenses for the
- 15 administration of the retirement system, exclusive of amounts
- 16 payable as retirement allowances and other benefits provided in
- 17 this act, from the income fund.
- 18 Sec. 22c. (1) The health insurance fund is created in the
- 19 retirement system. The retirement system shall deposit into the
- 20 health insurance fund the member contributions for health bene-
- 21 fits required by this section, subscriber co-payments, payments
- 22 under section 79, REGULAR INTEREST FROM THE INCOME FUND, and
- 23 state appropriations. The retirement system shall disburse from
- 24 the health insurance fund the premiums or portion of the premiums
- 25 for dental, hospital, and medical coverage insurance as required
- 26 by sections 50b and 79.

- 1 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a member shall make contributions to the health insurance fund of 2 3 1% of each payment of salary received that is attributable to service performed on and after January 1, 1995. Beginning on the 4 5 effective date of section 36a, a member who first became a member of Tier 1 on or before January 1, 1995 shall make contributions 6 to the health insurance fund of 9% of each payment of salary 7 received by the member for service as a member. Beginning on the 8 effective date of section 36a, a member who first became a member 9 of Tier 1 after January 1, 1995 shall make contributions to the 10 health insurance fund of 7% of each payment of salary received by 11 the member for service as a member. The increased contributions 12 13 required under this subsection by the amendatory act that added 14 section 36a will continue unless suspended by the board under 15 section 36a. The contributions shall be made by payroll deductions and each member is considered to consent to the deductions 16
- 18 (3) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY THIS ACT, MEMBERSHIP

  19 CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HEALTH INSURANCE FUND ARE NOT REFUNDABLE.

as a condition of membership in the retirement system.

- Sec. 23. (1) A member or deferred vested member who meets the following requirements shall be entitled to a retirement allowance:
- (a) The member or deferred vested member qualifies under 1of the following:
- 25 (i) Has not less than 8 years of service.
- 26 (ii) Has not less than 6 years of service, and has been 27 elected, qualified, and seated not less than 4 times for full or

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- 1 partial terms if a member of the house or not less than 2 times
- 2 if a member of the senate elected after November 7, 1966, or has
- 3 not less than 6 years of service and has been elected, qualified,
- 4 and seated not less than 2 times for full or partial terms as a
- 5 member of the house and not less than 1 time as a member of the
- 6 senate elected after November 7, 1966.
- 7 (iii) Effective January 1, 1987, has not less than 5 years
- 8 of service and has been elected, qualified, and seated for a full
- 9 or partial term not less than 3 times if a member of the house or
- 10 not less than 2 times if a member of the senate, or not less than
- 11 1 time as a member of the house and not less than 1 time as a
- 12 member of the senate.
- 13 (b) The member or deferred vested member has attained 55
- 14 years of age.
- 15 (c) The member or deferred vested member has filed with the
- 16 board a written application for a retirement allowance that
- 17 states the years of service, the highest salary received during
- 18 the member's or deferred vested member's service before applica-
- 19 tion, and the date the member or deferred vested member desires
- 20 to be retired, which date shall be not more than 90 days after
- 21 the execution and filing of the application.
- 22 (2) A member shall not be entitled to receive a retirement
- 23 allowance provided for in this section or section 23d while serv-
- 24 ing as a legislator or lieutenant governor. Each person receiv-
- 25 ing benefits under this act consents and agrees as a condition of
- 26 receiving the benefits that benefits of any nature shall not be
- 27 paid while the person is a legislator or lieutenant governor.

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         (3) A deferred vested member who left service after
    December 31, 1974, and before January 1, 1979, and who becomes a
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    retirant shall be entitled to an annual retirement allowance of
    30% of the salary stated in the application for the first 8 years
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    of service plus 3.75% for each of the next 8 years of service. A
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    prorated. If the retirant has less than 8 years of service but
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    qualifies by the election method, the retirement allowance shall
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    be that proportion of 30% that his or her years of service and
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    been rendered before payment of the retirement allowance. Except
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    as provided in section 23c, a retirement allowance shall not
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    exceed 60% of the salary stated in the application.
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         (4) A member who retired after December 31, 1978 and before
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    January 1, 1987, or a deferred vested member who left service
    after December 31, 1978 and before January 1, 1987, and becomes a
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    retirant, shall be entitled to an annual retirement allowance of
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    32% of the salary stated in his or her application for the first
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- 1 payment of the retirement allowance. Except as provided in
- 2 section 23c, a retirement allowance shall not exceed 64% of the
- 3 salary stated in the application.
- 4 (5) A member who first becomes a member on or before
- 5 January 1, 1995 and who retires after December 31, 1986, or a
- 6 deferred vested member who first becomes a member on or before
- 7 January 1, 1995, who leaves service after December 31, 1986, and
- 8 who becomes a retirant, shall be entitled to an annual retirement
- 9 allowance of 20% of the salary stated in his or her application
- 10 for the first 5 years of service plus 4% for each of the next 11
- 11 years of service. A fraction of a year of service in excess of 5
- 12 years shall be prorated. Years of service listed in the applica-
- 13 tion need not be consecutive, but shall have been rendered before
- 14 payment of the retirement allowance. Except as provided in this
- 15 subsection and section 23c, a retirement allowance shall not
- 16 exceed 64% of the salary stated in the application. Effective
- 17 January 1, 1987, however, a member who first becomes a member on
- 18 or before January 1, 1995 and who has 16 or more years of service
- 19 shall also be entitled to a longevity allowance of 1.0% of the
- 20 member's salary for each year of service beyond 16 years but,
- 21 except as otherwise provided in this subsection, not to exceed 20
- 22 years. Except as provided in this subsection and section 23c,
- 23 the retirement allowance of a member entitled to a longevity
- 24 allowance under this subsection shall not exceed 68% of the
- 25 salary stated in the application. Beginning January 1, 1989, a
- 26 member who first becomes a member on or before January 1, 1995,
- 27 who has 20 or more years of service, and who meets the age and

- 1 service requirements or service requirements to be eligible to
- 2 receive a retirement allowance under this act shall be entitled
- 3 to a longevity allowance of 1.0% of the member's salary for each
- 4 year of service beyond 20 years.
- 5 (6) A member who first becomes a member on or after
- 6 January 2, 1995 and who becomes a retirant under this act is
- 7 entitled to an annual retirement allowance equal to the product
- 8 of the following:
- 9 (a) The salary stated in his or her application.
- 10 (b) Years and fraction of a year of service.
- 11 (c) Three percent.
- 12 (7) A retirant who elects to purchase military service
- 13 credit pursuant to section 11(2) shall have his or her retirement
- 14 allowance recalculated to include the military service credit
- 15 purchased pursuant to that section. The first payment of the
- 16 recalculated retirement allowance shall be made effective with
- 17 the first check after the recalculation is made.
- 18 (8) The retirement allowance of a retirant who, on
- 19 January 1, 1987, satisfied the conditions required by
- 20 section 9(3) shall have his or her retirement allowance recalcu-
- 21 lated to reflect the increase in salary for those years permitted
- 22 by section 9(3) before the member became a retirant.
- 23 (9) Within 30 days after becoming 55 years of age, a
- 24 deferred vested member may elect to defer receipt of the retire-
- 25 ment allowance to which the member is entitled under this act to
- 26 a date certain, not to exceed 70-1/2 years of age. Except as
- 27 otherwise provided in this subsection, at the date the member

- 1 designates to begin receipt of his or her retirement allowance,
- 2 the member's retirement allowance shall be actuarially recomputed
- 3 to reflect the member's age and life expectancy at initial
- 4 receipt of the deferred retirement allowance. Upon request of
- 5 the deferred vested member who elects to begin receiving his or
- 6 her retirement allowance, the retirement board may pay to the
- 7 member a lump sum payment of an amount equal to the sum of the
- 8 retirement allowance that was deferred pursuant to this
- 9 subsection. The retirement board shall not actuarially recompute
- 10 the member's retirement allowance upon payment of a lump sum
- 11 under this subsection. IF A DEFERRED VESTED MEMBER HAS ELECTED
- 12 TO DEFER RECEIPT OF HIS OR HER RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE UNDER SECTION
- 13 23(9)(A) AND SUBSEQUENTLY DIES BEFORE RETIREMENT, 100% OF HIS OR
- 14 HER DEFERRED BENEFIT SHALL BE PAID IN ACCORDANCE WITH A BENEFI-
- 15 CIARY DESIGNATION THAT THE MEMBER SHALL HAVE FILED WITH THE
- 16 BOARD.
- 17 (10) Notwithstanding subsection (1), a member or deferred
- 18 vested member may retire with a retirement allowance computed
- 19 according to the applicable provisions of this section if all of
- 20 the following apply:
- 21 (a) The member or deferred vested member files a written
- 22 application with the retirement board stating a date, not less
- 23 than 30 nor more than 90 days after the execution and filing of
- 24 the application, on which the member or deferred vested member
- 25 desires to retire.
- 26 (b) On the last day of the month immediately preceding the
- 27 retirement allowance effective date stated in the application,

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    the member's or deferred vested member's combined age and length
    of credited service is equal to or greater than 70 years and the
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    member or deferred vested member is 50 years of age or older.
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    allowance calculated under subsection (3) or (4), be entitled to
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    has more than 16 years of service. The longevity allowance is
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    1.0% of the former member's salary stated in the application for
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    retires before January 1, 1987 or a deferred vested member who
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    member met the age and service requirements or service require-
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          The retirement allowance of a retirant who satisfies the
    conditions under this subsection shall have his or her retirement
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    1987 or the date of retirement, whichever is later. The applica-
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    allowance under this subsection shall be applied before the
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- 1 provisions of section 23c are applied to that retirement
- 2 allowance. Except as provided in this subsection and section
- 3 23c, a retirement allowance shall not exceed 68% of the salary
- 4 stated in the application.
- 5 Sec. 23d. (1) A member who is not entitled to a retirement
- 6 allowance under section 23 WHO MEETS THE SERVICE REQUIREMENTS OF
- 7 SECTION 23(1)(A) BUT NOT THE AGE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION
- 8 23(1)(B), A MEMBER WHO DOES NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION
- 9 23(10)(B), or a deferred vested member may receive a retirement
- 10 allowance if the board has received a certification by not less
- 11 than 2 licensed physicians appointed by the board stating that
- 12 the member or deferred vested member is disabled from engaging in
- 13 any substantial gainful activity by reason of a medically deter-
- 14 minable physical or mental impairment that can be expected to
- 15 result in death, or can be expected to last for a continuous
- 16 period of 12 months or more.
- 17 (2) A member or deferred vested member who is determined
- 18 eligible to receive a retirement allowance under subsection (1)
- 19 shall receive the retirement allowance applicable to that member
- 20 or deferred vested member provided for in section  $\frac{24(4)}{23(4)}$ ,
- **21** (5), or (6).
- 22 (3) A member who is currently receiving compensation as a
- 23 legislator or lieutenant governor shall not receive a retirement
- 24 allowance under this section.
- 25 (4) The board may provide for the examination by 1 or more
- 26 licensed physicians designated by the board at least once a year
- 27 of a person who is receiving a retirement allowance under this

- 1 section during the continuance of the disability. The board
- 2 shall not provide for an examination after the member attains 55
- 3 years of age.
- 4 Sec. 26. (1) Beginning January 1, 1999, the retirement
- 5 system shall be administered by a board of trustees, consisting
- 6 of 11 persons as follows:
- 7 (a) Two members of the house of representatives appointed by
- 8 the speaker of the house of representatives.
- 9 (b) Two members of the senate, appointed in the same manner
- 10 as members of standing committees of the senate are appointed.
- 11 (c) Two retirants appointed by the speaker of the house of
- 12 representatives and 2 retirants appointed by the senate majority
- 13 leader.
- 14 (d) One deferred vested member appointed by the speaker of
- 15 the house of representatives and 1 deferred vested member
- 16 appointed by the senate majority leader. IF A DEFERRED VESTED
- 17 MEMBER SERVING ON THE BOARD BECOMES A RETIRANT DURING HIS OR HER
- 18 TERM OF OFFICE, HE OR SHE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO SERVE THE REMAIN-
- 19 DER OF HIS OR HER TERM OF OFFICE.
- 20 (e) One participant of Tier 2 who was a former member of
- 21 Tier 1 appointed in 1999 by the senate majority leader and begin-
- 22 ning in 2001 appointed alternately by the speaker of the house of
- 23 representatives and the senate majority leader. However, if
- 24 there is no participant of Tier 2 who meets the former member
- 25 requirement of this subdivision, then 1 additional deferred
- 26 vested member appointed in the manner prescribed in this
- 27 subdivision.

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1 (2) Only members of the retirement system are eligible to serve as members on the board of trustees except for the retir-2 3 ants and Tier 2 participant authorized under subsection (1). Board members appointed under subsection (1)(a) and (b) are 4 5 appointed for 2-year terms. Board members appointed under sub-6 section (1)(c) are appointed for 4-year terms. Board members 7 appointed for terms beginning in 1999 under subsection (1)(d) are appointed for 2-year terms. Board members appointed for terms 8 beginning in 2001 under subsection (1)(d) are appointed for 9 4-year terms. A board member appointed for a term beginning in 10 1999 under subsection (1)(e) is appointed for a 2-year term. 11 Beginning in 2001, a board member appointed under subsection 12 (1)(e) is appointed for a 4-year term. For terms beginning on or 13 14 after January 1, 1999, board members appointed under subsection 15 (1)(c), (d), or (e) shall not serve as a board member under those 16 subdivisions for a combined total of more than 8 years. (3) Each person, whether appointed as a trustee or becoming 17 a trustee ex officio, shall take an oath of office before the 18 19 secretary of state, clerk of the house, or secretary of the senate, and, upon taking the oath, qualifies as a trustee. The 20 21 oath of office shall be as prescribed under section 1 of article XI of the state constitution of 1963. 22 23 Sec. 30. Each trustee is entitled to 1 vote on any action of the board and at least -5 6 concurring votes are necessary 24 25 for any action by the board at a meeting. A decision or action

shall not become effective, unless presented and so approved by

the action of the board. A trustee shall not vote by proxy, but

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- 1 shall be present at the meeting in order to have his or her vote
  2 recorded.
- 3 Sec. 57. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), all
- 4 ALL retirement allowances and other benefits payable under this
- 5 act and all accumulated credits of members, deferred vested mem-
- 6 bers, and retirants in this retirement system are unassignable
- 7 and are not subject to execution, garnishment, or attachment,
- 8 or to taxation by this state or any political subdivisions of
- 9 this state.
- 10 (2) All retirement allowances and other benefits payable
- 11 under this act and all accumulated contributions of members,
- 12 deferred vested members, and retirants in this retirement system
- 13 are subject to award by a court pursuant to section 18 of chap-
- 14 ter 84 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, being section 552.18 of
- 15 the Michigan Compiled Laws, and to any other order of a court
- 16 pertaining to alimony or child support THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE
- 17 RETIREMENT BENEFIT PROTECTION ACT. All retirement allowances and
- 18 other benefits payable under this act and all accumulated contri-
- 19 butions of members, deferred vested members, and retirants in
- 20 this retirement system are subject to eligible domestic relations
- 21 orders under the eligible domestic relations order act, Act
- 22 No. 46 of the Public Acts of 1991, being sections 38.1701 to
- 23 38.1711 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 24 (3) If an award or order described in subsection (2)
- 25 requires the retirement system to withhold payment of a pension,
- 26 deferred pension, accumulated contributions, or other benefit
- 27 from the person to whom it is due or requires the retirement

1 system to make payment or requires the person to request that the 2 retirement system make payment of a pension, deferred pension, accumulated contributions, or other benefit, for the purpose of 3 meeting the person's obligations to a spouse, former spouse or 4 5 child, as provided in subsection (2), the withholding or payment provisions of the award or order shall be effective only against 6 7 those amounts as they become payable to the person receiving a retirement allowance unless otherwise provided in an eligible 8 9 domestic relations order under Act No. 46 of the Public Acts of 10 1991. The limitation contained in this subsection does not apply 11 to the accumulated contributions of a person who has terminated 12 employment before acquiring a vested member status. 13 Sec. 59a. (1) This section is enacted pursuant to 14 section 401(a) of the internal revenue code that imposes certain 15 administrative requirements and benefit limitations for qualified 16 governmental plans. This state intends that the retirement system be a qualified pension plan created in trust under section 17 18 401 of the internal revenue code and that the trust be an exempt 19 organization under section 501 of the internal revenue code. board of trustees shall administer the retirement system to ful-20 21 fill this intent. (2) Except as otherwise provided in this section, 22 23 employer-financed benefits provided by the retirement system under this act shall not exceed the lesser of \$90,000.00 or 100% 24 25 of the member's average compensation for high 3 years as

26 described in section 415(b)(3) of the internal revenue code for retirement occurring at age 62 or older.

- 1 (3) The limitation on employer financed benefits provided by
- 2 the retirement system under subsection (2) applies unless appli-
- 3 cation of subsections (4) and (5) produces a higher limitation,
- 4 in which case the higher limitation applies.
- 5 (4) If a member retires before age 62, the amount of
- 6 \$90,000.00 in subsection (2) is actuarially reduced to reflect
- 7 payment before age 62. The retirement system shall use an inter-
- 8 est rate of 5% per year compounded annually to calculate the
- 9 actuarial reduction in this subsection. If this subsection
- 10 produces a limitation of less than \$75,000.00 at age 55, the lim-
- 11 itation at age 55 is \$75,000.00 and the limitations for ages
- 12 under age 55 shall be calculated from a limitation of \$75,000.00
- **13** at age 55.
- 14 (5) Section 415(d) of the internal revenue code requires the
- 15 commissioner of internal revenue to adjust the \$90,000.00 limita-
- 16 tion in subsection (2) to reflect cost of living increases,
- 17 beginning with calendar year 1988. This subsection shall be
- 18 administered using the limitations applicable to each calendar
- 19 year as adjusted by the commissioner of internal revenue under
- 20 section 415(d) of the internal revenue code. The retirement
- 21 system shall adjust the benefits subject to the limitation each
- 22 year to conform with the adjusted limitation.
- 23 (6) The assets of the retirement system shall be held in
- 24 trust and invested for the sole purpose of meeting the legitimate
- 25 obligations of the retirement system and shall not be used for
- 26 any other purpose. The assets shall not be used for or diverted
- 27 to a purpose other than for the exclusive benefit of the members,

- 1 vested former members, retirants, and retirement allowance
- 2 beneficiaries before satisfaction of all retirement system
- 3 liabilities.
- 4 (7) The retirement system shall return post-tax member con-
- 5 tributions made by a member and received by the retirement system
- 6 to a member upon retirement, pursuant to internal revenue service
- 7 regulations and approved internal revenue service exclusion ratio
- 8 tables.
- **9** (8) The required beginning date for retirement allowances
- 10 and other distributions shall not be later than April 1 of the
- 11 calendar year following the calendar year in which the employee
- 12 attains age 70-1/2 or April 1 of the calendar year following the
- 13 calendar year in which the employee retires.
- 14 (9) If the retirement system is terminated, the interest of
- 15 the members, deferred vested members, retirants, and retirement
- 16 allowance beneficiaries in the retirement system is nonforfeit-
- 17 able to the extent funded as described in section 411(d)(3) of
- 18 the internal revenue code and related internal revenue service
- 19 regulations applicable to governmental plans.
- 20 (10) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act to the
- 21 contrary that would limit a distributee's election under this
- 22 act, a distributee may elect, at the time and in the manner pre-
- 23 scribed by the board of trustees, to have any portion of an eli-
- 24 gible rollover distribution paid directly to an eligible retire-
- 25 ment plan specified by the distributee in a direct rollover.
- 26 This subsection applies to distributions made on or after
- **27** January 1, 1993.

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- 1 (11) For purposes of determining actuarial equivalent
- 2 retirement allowances under this act, the actuarially assumed
- 3 interest rate shall be 7% with utilization of the 1971 group
- 4 annuity and mortality table.
- 5 (12) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section,
- 6 the retirement system shall be administered in compliance with
- 7 the provisions of section 415 of the internal revenue code and
- 8 revenue service regulations under this section that are applica-
- 9 ble to governmental plans. If there is a conflict between this
- 10 section and another section of this or any other act of this
- 11 state, this section prevails.
- 12 (13) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ACT, THE
- 13 COMPENSATION OF A MEMBER OF THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM SHALL BE TAKEN
- 14 INTO ACCOUNT FOR ANY YEAR UNDER THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM ONLY TO THE
- 15 EXTENT THAT IT DOES NOT EXCEED THE COMPENSATION LIMIT ESTABLISHED
- 16 IN SECTION 401(a)(17) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS ADJUSTED
- 17 BY THE COMMISSIONER OF INTERNAL REVENUE. THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES
- 18 TO ANY PERSON WHO FIRST BECOMES A MEMBER OF THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM
- **19** ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 1996.
- 20 (14) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS ACT, CON-
- 21 TRIBUTIONS, BENEFITS, AND SERVICE CREDIT WITH RESPECT TO QUALI-
- 22 FIED MILITARY SERVICE WILL BE PROVIDED UNDER THE RETIREMENT
- 23 SYSTEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 414(u) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE
- 24 CODE. THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES TO ALL QUALIFIED MILITARY SERVICE
- 25 ON OR AFTER DECEMBER 12, 1994.
- 26 Sec. 61. (1) The retirement system shall provide an
- 27 opportunity for each member who is a member on March 30, 1997, to

- 1 elect in writing to terminate membership in Tier 1 and elect to
- 2 become a qualified participant in Tier 2. An election made by a
- 3 member under this subsection is irrevocable. The retirement
- 4 system shall accept written elections under this subsection from
- 5 members during the period beginning on January 2, 1998 and ending
- 6 on April 30, 1998. A member who does not make a written election
- 7 or who does not file the election during the period specified in
- 8 this subsection continues to be a member of Tier 1. A member who
- 9 makes and files a written election under this subsection elects
- 10 to do all of the following:
- 11 (a) Cease to be a member of Tier 1 effective 12 midnight May
- **12** 31, 1998.
- 13 (b) Become a qualified participant in Tier 2 effective 12:01
- **14** a.m., June 1, 1998.
- 15 (c) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, waive
- 16 all of his or her rights to a pension, an annuity, a retirement
- 17 allowance, an insurance benefit, or any other benefit under this
- 18 act effective 12 midnight May 31, 1998. This subdivision does
- 19 not affect a person's right to health benefits provided under
- 20 this act pursuant to section 79.
- 21 (2) If an individual who was a deferred vested member on
- 22 March 30, 1997, or an individual who was a former nonvested
- 23 member on March 30, 1997 becomes a legislator or lieutenant gov-
- 24 ernor and is again eligible for membership in Tier 1, the indi-
- 25 vidual shall elect in writing to remain a member of Tier 1 or to
- 26 terminate membership in Tier 1 and become a qualified participant
- 27 in Tier 2. An election made by a deferred vested member or a

- 1 former nonvested member under this subsection is irrevocable.
- 2 The retirement system shall accept written elections under this

- 3 subsection from a deferred vested member or a former nonvested
- 4 member during the period beginning on the date of the
- 5 individual's eligibility for membership and ending upon the expi-
- 6 ration of 60 days after the date of that eligibility. A deferred
- 7 vested member or former nonvested member who makes and files a
- 8 written election to remain a member of Tier 1 retains all rights
- 9 and is subject to all conditions as a member of Tier 1 under this
- 10 act. A deferred vested member or former nonvested member who
- 11 does not make a written election or who does not file the elec-
- 12 tion during the period specified in this subsection continues to
- 13 be a member of Tier 1. A deferred vested member or former non-
- 14 vested member who makes and files a written election to terminate
- 15 membership in Tier 1 elects to do all of the following:
- 16 (a) Cease to be a member of Tier 1 effective 12 midnight on
- 17 the last day of the payroll period that includes the date of the
- 18 election.
- 19 (b) Become a qualified participant in Tier 2 effective 12:01
- 20 a.m. on the first day of the payroll period immediately following
- 21 the date of the election.
- 22 (c) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, waive
- 23 all of his or her rights to a pension, an annuity, a retirement
- 24 allowance, an insurance benefit, or any other benefit under Tier
- 25 1 effective 12 midnight on the last day of the payroll period
- 26 that includes the date of the election. This subdivision does

- 1 not affect an individual's right to health benefits provided
- 2 under this act pursuant to section 79.
- 3 (3) After consultation with the retirement system's actuary,
- 4 and the retirement board -, the department of management and
- 5 budget shall determine the method by which a member, deferred
- 6 vested member, or former nonvested member shall make a written
- 7 election under this section. If the member, deferred vested
- 8 member, or former nonvested member is married at the time of the
- 9 election, the election is not effective unless the election is
- 10 signed by the individual's spouse. However, the retirement board
- 11 may waive this requirement if the spouse's signature cannot be
- 12 obtained because of extenuating circumstances.
- 13 (4) An election under this section is subject to the eligi-
- 14 ble domestic relations order act, Act No. 46 of the Public Acts
- 15 of 1991, being sections 38.1701 to 38.1711 of the Michigan
- 16 Compiled Laws 1991 PA 46, MCL 38.1701 TO 38.1711.
- 17 (5) If the <del>department of management and budget</del> BOARD
- 18 receives notification from the United States internal revenue
- 19 service that this section or any portion of this section will
- 20 cause the retirement system to be disqualified for tax purposes
- 21 under the internal revenue code, then the portion that will cause
- 22 the disqualification does not apply.
- Sec. 62. (1) For a member who elects to terminate member-
- 24 ship in Tier 1 under section 61(1), the retirement system shall
- 25 direct the state treasurer to transfer a lump sum amount from the
- 26 appropriate fund created under this act to the qualified
- 27 participant's account in Tier 2 on or before September 30, 1998.

- 1 The retirement system shall calculate the amount to be
- 2 transferred, which shall be equal to the sum of the following:
- 3 (a) The member's accumulated contributions AND APPLICABLE
- 4 INTEREST, if any, from the member's savings fund as of 12 mid-
- 5 night May 31, 1998.
- 6 (b) For a member who is vested under section 23(1)(a) as of
- 7 12 midnight on May 31, 1998, the excess, if any, of the actuarial
- 8 present value of the member's accumulated benefit obligation,
- 9 over the amount specified in subdivision (a), from the member's
- 10 retirement fund. Except as provided in subsection (5), for the
- 11 purposes of this subsection, the present value of the member's
- 12 accumulated benefit obligation is based upon the member's esti-
- 13 mated credited service and estimated final salary as of 12 mid-
- 14 night on May 31, 1998. The actuarial present value shall be com-
- 15 puted as of 12 midnight May 31, 1998 and shall be based on the
- 16 following:
- 17 (i) Eight percent effective annual interest, compounded
- **18** annually.
- 19 (ii) A 50% male and 50% female gender neutral blend of the
- 20 mortality tables used to project retirant longevity in the most
- 21 recent actuarial valuation report.
- 22 (iii) A benefit commencement age, based upon the member's
- 23 estimated credited service as of 12 midnight May 31, 1998. The
- 24 benefit commencement age shall be the younger of the following,
- 25 but shall not be younger than the member's age as of 12 midnight
- **26** May 31, 1998:

- 1 (A) Age 55.
- 2 (B) The member's age, if the member is at least 50 years old
- 3 and the sum of his or her age and estimated credited service
- 4 equals or exceeds 70.
- 5 (c) Interest on any amounts determined in subdivisions (a)
- 6 and (b), from June 1, 1998 to the date of the transfer, based
- 7 upon 8% annual interest, compounded annually.
- **8** (2) For each member who elects to terminate membership in
- 9 the retirement system under section 61(1), the retirement system
- 10 shall recompute the amount transferred under subsection (1) not
- 11 later than November 30, 1998 based upon the member's actual cred-
- 12 ited service and actual final salary as of 12 midnight May 31,
- 13 1998. If the recomputed amount differs from the amount trans-
- 14 ferred under subsection (1) by \$10.00 or more, not later than
- 15 December 15, 1998, the retirement system shall do all of the
- 16 following:
- 17 (a) Direct the state treasurer to transfer from the members'
- 18 retirement fund to the qualified participant's account in Tier 2
- 19 the excess, if any, of the recomputed amount over the previously
- 20 transferred amount together with interest from 12 midnight May
- 21 31, 1998 to the date of the transfer under this subsection, based
- 22 upon 8% effective annual interest, compounded annually.
- 23 (b) Direct the state treasurer to transfer from the quali-
- 24 fied participant's account in Tier 2 to the members' retirement
- 25 fund the excess, if any, of the previously transferred amount
- 26 over the recomputed amount, together with interest, from the date

- 1 of the transfer made under subsection (1), based upon 8%
- 2 effective annual interest, compounded annually.
- 3 (3) For a deferred vested member who elects to terminate
- 4 membership in this retirement system under section 61(2), the
- 5 retirement system shall direct the state treasurer to transfer a

- 6 lump sum amount from the appropriate fund created under this act
- 7 to the qualified participant's account in Tier 2 on or before the
- 8 expiration of 60 days after the date of the individual's termina-
- 9 tion of employment. The retirement system shall calculate the
- 10 amount to be transferred, which shall be equal to the sum of the
- 11 following:
- 12 (a) The deferred vested member's accumulated contributions
- 13 AND APPLICABLE INTEREST, if any, from the members' savings fund
- 14 as of 12 midnight on the last day of the payroll period that
- 15 includes the date of the election.
- 16 (b) The excess, if any, of the actuarial present value of
- 17 the deferred vested member's accumulated benefit obligation, over
- 18 the amount specified in subdivision (a), from the members'
- 19 retirement fund. Except as provided in subsection (5), for the
- 20 purposes of this subsection, the present value of the deferred
- 21 vested member's accumulated benefit obligation is based upon the
- 22 deferred vested member's estimated credited service and estimated
- 23 final salary as of 12 midnight on the last day of the payroll
- 24 period that includes the date of the election. The actuarial
- 25 present value shall be computed as of 12 midnight on that date
- 26 and shall be based on the following:

- (i) Eight percent effective annual interest, compounded
   annually.
- 3 (ii) A 50% male and 50% female gender neutral blend of the mortality tables used to project retirant longevity in the most recent annual actuarial valuation report.
- 6 (iii) A benefit commencement age, based upon the member's
  7 estimated credited service as of 12 midnight on the last day of
  8 the payroll period that includes the date of the election. The
  9 benefit commencement age shall be the younger of the following,
  10 but shall not be younger than the member's age as of 12 midnight
  11 on the last day of the payroll period that includes the date of
  12 the election:
- **13** (A) Age 55.
- 14 (B) The deferred member's age, if the deferred member is at
  15 least 50 years old and the sum of his or her age and estimated
  16 credited service equals or exceeds 70.
- 17 (c) Interest on any amounts determined in subdivisions (a)
  18 and (b), from the first day of the payroll period immediately
  19 following the date of the election to the date of the transfer,
  20 based upon 8% effective annual interest, compounded annually.
- (4) For each deferred vested member who elects to terminate membership in Tier 1 under section 61(2), the retirement system shall recompute the amount transferred under subsection (3) not later than the expiration of 90 days after the transfer occurs under subsection (3) based upon the deferred vested member's actual credited service and actual final salary as of 12 midnight on the last day of the payroll period that includes the date of

- 1 the election. If the recomputed amount differs from the amount
- 2 transferred under subsection (3) by \$10.00 or more, the retire-
- 3 ment system shall do all of the following:
- 4 (a) Direct the state treasurer to transfer from the members'
- 5 retirement fund to the qualified participant's account in Tier 2
- 6 the excess, if any, of the recomputed amount over the previously
- 7 transferred amount together with interest from 12 midnight on the
- 8 last day of the payroll period that includes the date of the
- 9 election to the date of the transfer under this subsection, based
- 10 upon 8% effective annual interest, compounded annually.
- 11 (b) Direct the state treasurer to transfer from the quali-
- 12 fied participant's account in Tier 2 to the members' retirement
- 13 fund the excess, if any, of the previously transferred amount
- 14 over the recomputed amount, together with interest, from the date
- 15 of the transfer made under subsection (3), based upon 8% effec-
- 16 tive annual interest, compounded annually.
- 17 (5) For the purposes of subsections (1) to (4), the calcula-
- 18 tion of estimated and actual present value of the member's or
- 19 deferred vested member's accumulated benefit obligation shall be
- 20 based upon methods adopted by the department of management and
- 21 budget and the retirement system's actuary in consultation with
- 22 the retirement board. The retirement system shall utilize the
- 23 same actuarial valuation report used to calculate the amount
- 24 transferred under subsection (1) or (3) when making the recompu-
- 25 tation required under subsection (2) or (4). Estimated and
- 26 actual final salary shall be determined as provided in section 9

- 1 as of 12 midnight on the date the member or deferred member
- 2 ceases to be a member of Tier 1 under section 61.
- 3 (6) For a former nonvested member who elects to terminate
- 4 membership in Tier 1 under section 61(2) and who has accumulated
- 5 contributions standing to his or her credit in the members' sav-
- 6 ings fund, the retirement system shall direct the state treasurer
- 7 to transfer a lump sum amount from the members' savings fund to
- 8 the qualified participant's account in Tier 2 on or before the
- 9 expiration of 60 days after the date of the individual's election
- 10 to terminate membership. The retirement system shall calculate
- 11 the amount to be transferred, which shall be equal to the sum of
- 12 the following:
- 13 (a) The former nonvested member's accumulated contributions
- 14 AND APPLICABLE INTEREST, if any, from the members' savings fund
- 15 as of 12 midnight on the last day of the payroll period that
- 16 includes the date of the election.
- 17 (b) Interest on any amounts determined in subdivision (a),
- 18 from the first day of the payroll period immediately following
- 19 the date of the election to the date of the transfer, based upon
- 20 8% effective annual interest, compounded annually.
- 21 (7) If the <del>department of management and budget</del> BOARD
- 22 receives notification from the United States internal revenue
- 23 service that this section or any portion of this section will
- 24 cause the retirement system to be disqualified for tax purposes
- 25 under the internal revenue code, then the portion that will cause
- 26 the disqualification does not apply.

1 Sec. 63. After consulting the retirement system's actuary, the <del>department of management and budget</del> BOARD shall calculate 2 3 for each fiscal year any cost savings that have accrued to this state as a result of the implementation of the amendatory act 4 5 that added this section over the costs that would have been incurred by this state to fund this retirement system had the 6 7 amendatory act that added this section not been implemented. total amount of -such THE cost savings shall be submitted in the 8 executive budget to the legislature for appropriation in the next 9 succeeding state fiscal year to the health insurance fund created 10 by section 22c. Any amount appropriated pursuant to this section 11 and accumulated earnings on those amounts shall not be expended 12 13 until the actuarial accrued liability for health benefits under 14 section 50b is 100% funded. 15 Sec. 80. (1) Distributions from employer contributions made 16 pursuant to section 74(2) and (3) and earnings on those employer 17 contributions, and distributions from employee contributions made 18 pursuant to section 74(3) and earnings on those employee contri-19 butions, are exempt from any state, county, municipal, or other local tax -, and shall not be subject to execution, garnishment, 20 21 attachment, the operation of bankruptcy or insolvency laws, or other process of law, and shall be unassignable except as other-22 23 wise provided in this act AND ARE SUBJECT TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEE 24 RETIREMENT BENEFIT PROTECTION ACT. (2) The right of a qualified participant or a former quali-25 fied participant, or his or her beneficiaries, to a distribution 26 27 described in subsection (1) is subject to forfeiture pursuant to

House Bill No. 5114 1 the public employee retirement benefits forfeiture act, Act No. 350 of the Public Acts of 1994, being sections 38.2701 to 2 3 38.2705 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. 4 (3) The right of a qualified participant or former qualified 5 participant to a distribution described in subsection (1) is 6 subject to an award by a court pursuant to section 18 of chapter 7 84 of the Revised Statutes of 1846, being section 552.18 of the 8 Michigan Compiled Laws; an eligible domestic relations order 9 under the eligible domestic relations order act, Act No. 46 of the Public Acts of 1991, being sections 38.1701 to 38.1711 of the 10 11 Michigan Compiled Laws; and to any other domestic relations order 12 of a court pertaining to alimony or child support. 13 (4) If an award or order described in subsection (3) 14 requires Tier 2 to withhold payment of a distribution described 15 in subsection (1) or requires Tier 2 to make payment or requires 16 the individual to request that Tier 2 make payment of a distribu-17 tion described in subsection (1), for the purpose of meeting the 18 individual's obligations to a spouse, former spouse, or child, as 19 provided in subsection (3), the withholding or payment provisions 20 of the award or order are effective only against such amounts as 21 they become due and payable to the individual receiving the distribution, unless otherwise provided in an eligible domestic 22 23 relations order under the eligible domestic relations order act, Act No. 46 of the Public Acts of 1991. The limitation contained 24 in this subsection does not apply to the accumulated employee 25

contributions of a former qualified participant who has

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- 1 terminated employment before acquiring a vested status in Tier 2
- 2 pursuant to this act.
- 3 (2)  $\overline{(5)}$  The state treasurer has the right of setoff to
- recover overpayments made under this act and to satisfy any 4
- 5 claims arising from embezzlement or fraud committed by a quali-
- fied participant, former qualified participant, refund beneficia-6
- ry, or other person who has a claim to a distribution or any 7
- other benefit from Tier 2. 8
- (3)  $\overline{(6)}$  The state treasurer shall correct errors in the 9
- records and actions in Tier 2 under this act, and shall seek to 10
- recover overpayments and shall make up underpayments. 11
- Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take 12
- effect unless House Bill No. 5108 of the 91st Legislature is 13
- 14 enacted into law.