SENATE BILL No. 114

March 10, 1987, Introduced by Senators NICHOLS, CROPSEY, WELBORN, GEAKE, BINSFELD and GAST and referred to the Committee on Human Resources and Senior Citizens.

A bill to amend section 13 of Act No. 240 of the Public Acts of 1943, entitled as amended

"State employees' retirement act,"

as amended by Act No. 185 of the Public Acts of 1984, being section 38.13 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 13 of Act No. 240 of the Public Acts of
- 2 1943, as amended by Act No. 185 of the Public Acts of 1984, being
- 3 section 38.13 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to read
- 4 as follows:
- 5 Sec. 13. (1) Membership in the retirement system shall con-
- 6 sist of state employees occupying permanent positions in the
- 7 state civil service. A state employee whose position is not
- 8 included in the state civil service, or state employed officers
- 9 or an elected or appointed state official, including county

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- 1 juvenile officers appointed pursuant to section 1 of Act No. 22
- 2 of the Public Acts of the Extra Session of 1919, as amended,
- 3 being section 400.251 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or any
- 4 employee of the state accident fund as provided by Chapter 7 of
- 5 Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being sec
- 6 tions 418.701 to 418.755 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or the
- 7 secretary of the senate, or assistant secretary of the senate, or
- 8 the clerk of the house of representatives, or the assistant clerk
- 9 of the house of representatives, or an employee of a state tuber-
- 10 culosis sanatorium taken over by the state from a county who was
- 11 an employee of the sanatorium on the date the sanatorium became a
- 12 state institution, or an employee of a congressionally chartered
- 13 veterans' organization who is paid either wholly or in part from
- 14 a state general fund appropriation, or an employee of the
- 15 Michigan veterans' trust fund county committees who is employed
- 16 on a full-time basis by the committees may become a member by
- 17 filing a written notice with the retirement board before July 1,
- 18 1974. The employee shall pay to the retirement fund a sum equal
- 19 to the amount the employee's contributions would have been had
- 20 the member become a member immediately upon employment by the
- 21 state with interest compounded annually at the regular rate from
- 22 a date 1 year after the date of employment by the state and date
- 23 of payment.
- (2) All state employees except those specifically excluded
- 25 by law and those who are members or eligible to be members of
- 26 other statutory retirement systems in this state, shall become
- 27 members of the retirement system. The employees may use service

- 1 previously performed as an employee of this state in meeting the
- 2 service requirements for the retirement allowances and death ben-
- 3 efits provided by the retirement system. However, the prior
- 4 service shall not be used in computing the amount of a retirement
- 5 allowance to be paid by the retirement system unless the employee
- 6 pays to the retirement fund with interest the amount the
- 7 employee's contributions would have been had the employee become
- 8 a member immediately upon employment by the state as provided in
- 9 subsection (1). Elected or appointed state officials may elect
- 10 not to become or continue as members of the retirement system by
- 11 filing written notice with the retirement board. An appointed
- 12 state official who is a member of a state board, commission, or
- 13 council and who receives a per diem rate in his or her capacity
- 14 as a member of the board, commission, or council shall be
- 15 excluded from membership in the retirement system for the service
- 16 rendered in his or her capacity as a member of the board, commis-
- 17 sion, or council. Service performed by an elected or appointed
- 18 official during the time the official elects not to participate
- 19 shall not be used in meeting the service requirement or in com-
- 20 puting the amount of retirement allowance to be paid by the
- 21 retirement system. A member who elects not to participate shall
- 22 be refunded all contributions made before the election.
- 23 Membership in the retirement system shall not include a person
- 24 who is a contributing member in a public school employees'
- 25 retirement system provided for in the public school employees
- 26 retirement act of 1979, Act No. 300 of the Public Acts of 1980,
- 27 being sections 38.1301 to 38.1407 of the Michigan Compiled Laws,

- 1 or the probate judges' retirement system provided for in Act
- 2 No. 165 of the Public Acts of 1954, as amended, being sections
- 3 38.901 to 38.933 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or the judges'
- 4 retirement system provided for in Act No. 198 of the Public Acts
- 5 of 1951, as amended, being sections 38.801 to 38.831 of the
- 6 Michigan Compiled Laws, nor shall it include a person who comes
- 7 within the Michigan state police pension, accident, and disabil
- 8 ity system as provided for in Act No. 251 of the Public Acts of
- 9 1935, as amended, being sections 28.101 to 28.110 STATE POLICE
- 10 RETIREMENT ACT OF 1986, ACT NO. 182 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1986,
- 11 BEING SECTIONS 38.1601 TO 38.1648 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 12 A person who draws compensation as a state employee and also as
- 13 an employee of a political subdivision of the state shall be eli-
- 14 gible for the benefits provided by this act to the extent of the
- 15 person's compensation paid by the state.
- (3) On July 1, 1974, the contributing members of the
- 17 Michigan public school employees' retirement system who are
- 18 employed in the state classified or unclassified service as pro-
- 19 vided for in former Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1945 shall
- 20 have their membership transferred to the retirement system. The
- 21 accumulated contributions, including interest, for each member,
- 22 and service standing to the member's credit as of June 30, 1974,
- 23 shall be transferred from the annuity accumulation fund estab-
- 24 lished under former Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1945 to the
- 25 employee savings fund of this retirement system.
- 26 (4) The accumulated contributions and prior service shall be
- 27 transferred to the employee savings fund of this retirement

- 1 system from the pension accumulation fund established under
- 2 former Act No. 136 of the Public Acts of 1945 and its predecessor
- 3 acts for service performed as a teaching or nonteaching public
- 4 school employee before July 1, 1945.
- 5 (5) A person hired in state classified or unclassified serv-
- 6 ice after June 30, 1974, possessing a Michigan teaching certifi-
- 7 cate shall be a member of this retirement system. After June 30,
- 8 1974, a person who returns to state employment in the classified
- 9 or unclassified service who previously was a contributing member
- 10 of the Michigan public school employees' retirement system shall
- 11 have the person's accumulated contributions and service trans-
- 12 ferred to this retirement system, or having withdrawn the contri-
- 13 butions, may pay into the retirement system the amount withdrawn
- 14 together with regular interest and have credit restored as pro-
- 15 vided for in section 16.
- 16 (6) A person whose membership service and prior service in
- 17 the Michigan public school employees' retirement system was
- 18 transferred to this retirement system shall be entitled to the
- 19 service which otherwise would have been creditable to the member
- 20 had the member remained a member of the Michigan public school
- 21 employees' retirement system under former Act No. 136 of the
- 22 Public Acts of 1945.
- 23 (7) A person who participates in a transitional public
- 24 employment program financed with federal or state funds designed
- 25 to reach the unemployed or underemployed and provide short-term,
- 26 limited, or temporary employment shall not be a member of this
- 27 retirement system or be defined as an employee occupying a

- 1 permanent position under subsection (1). As used in this
- 2 subsection and subsection (8), "transitional public employment
- 3 program" means a public service employment program in the area of
- 4 environmental quality, health care, education, public safety,
- 5 crime prevention and control, prison rehabilitation, transporta-
- 6 tion, recreation, maintenance of parks, streets, and other public
- 7 facilities, solid waste removal, pollution control, housing and
- 8 neighborhood improvements, rural development, conservation, beau-
- 9 tification, veterans' out-reach, or any other area of human bet-
- 10 terment and community improvement as part of a program of compre-
- 11 hensive manpower services authorized, undertaken, and financed
- 12 pursuant to the comprehensive employment and training act, former
- 13 Public Law 93-203, 87 Stat. 839.
- 14 (8) If a person described in subsection (7) later becomes a
- 15 member of this retirement system within 12 months after the date
- 16 of termination as a participant in a transitional public employ-
- 17 ment program, service credit shall be given for employment which
- 18 is excluded in subsection (7) for purposes of determining a
- 19 retirement allowance upon the payment by the person's employer
- 20 under subsection (7) from funds provided under the comprehensive
- 21 employment and training act, former Public Law 93-203,
- 22 87 Stat. 839, as funds permit, to the retirement system of the
- 23 contributions, plus regular interest, the employer would have
- 24 paid had the employment been rendered in a position covered by
- 25 this act. During the person's employment in the transitional
- 26 public employment program, the person's employer shall place in
- 27 reserve a reasonable but not necessarily an actuarially

- 1 determined amount equal to the contributions which the employer
- 2 would have paid to the retirement system for those employees in
- 3 the transitional public employment program as if they were mem-
- 4 bers under this act, but only for that number of employees which
- 5 the employer determined would move from the transitional public
- 6 employment program into positions covered by this act. If the
- 7 funds provided under the comprehensive employment and training
- 8 act, former Public Law 93-203, 87 Stat. 839, are insufficient,
- 9 the remainder of the employer contributions shall be paid by the
- 10 person's current employer.
- 11 (9) A person, not regularly employed by the state, who is
- 12 hired by the state through a summer youth employment program
- 13 established pursuant to the Michigan youth corps act, Act No. 69
- 14 of the Public Acts of 1983, being sections 409.221 to 409.230-
- 15 409.229 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, shall not be a member of
- 16 this retirement system. In addition, a person described in this
- 17 subsection shall not receive service credit for the employment
- 18 described in this subsection even though the person subsequently
- 19 becomes or has been a member of this retirement system.
- 20 (10) A person, not regularly employed by the state, who is
- 21 hired by the state to administer a program described in subsec-
- 22 tion (9), (11), (12), or (13) shall not be a member of this
- 23 retirement system. In addition, a person described in this sub-
- 24 section shall not receive service credit for the employment
- 25 described in this subsection even though the person subsequently
- 26 becomes or has been a member of this retirement system.

- 1 (11) A person, not regularly employed by the state, who is
- 2 employed by the state through participation in a program
- 3 established pursuant to the job training partnership act, Public
- 4 Law 97-300, 96 Stat. 1322, shall not be a member of this retire-
- 5 ment system. In addition, a person described in this subsection
- 6 shall not receive service credit for the employment described in
- 7 this subsection even though the person subsequently becomes or
- 8 has been a member of this retirement system.
- 9 (12) A person, not regularly employed by the state, who is
- 10 employed by the state through participation in a program estab-
- 11 lished pursuant to the Michigan opportunity and skills training
- 12 program under sections 12 to 23 of Act No. 259 of the Public Acts
- 13 of 1983 OR UNDER SECTIONS 136 TO 146 OF ACT NO. 246 OF THE PUBLIC
- 14 ACTS OF 1984, shall not be a member of this retirement system.
- 15 In addition, a person described in this subsection shall not
- 16 receive service credit for the employment described in this sub-
- 17 section even though the person subsequently becomes or has been a
- 18 member of this retirement system.
- 19 (13) A person, not regularly employed by the state, who is
- 20 employed by the state through participation in a program estab-
- 21 lished pursuant to the Michigan community service corps program
- 22 under sections 25 to 35 of Act No. 259 of the Public Acts of
- 23 1983, shall not be a member of this retirement system. In addi-
- 24 tion, a person described in this subsection shall not receive
- 25 service credit for the employment described in this subsection
- 26 even though the person subsequently becomes or has been a member
- 27 of this retirement system.