Legislative Analysis



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LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM: MODIFY HEALTH INSURANCE VESTING

House Bill 6311 (Substitute H-2) Sponsor: Rep. William J. O'Neil Committee: Government Operations

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 6311 AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

The bill would amend the Michigan Legislative Retirement System Act to add language specifying that a qualified participant would be vested in health insurance coverage if he or she meets the following requirements:

- * was not a member, deferred vested member, or former nonvested member of Tier 1 (the defined benefit system).
- * has completed at least 5 years and 10 months of service as a qualified participant.
- * has resigned from office to immediately assume duties as of an elective public office.

[Note: The term "qualified participant" refers to an individual who is a participant of Tier 2 — the defined contribution system — and who either 1) became a legislator on or after March 31, 1997 and who before that date would have been eligible for Tier 1; or 2) elected to terminate membership in Tier 1 and participate instead in Tier 2.]

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill would cost \$6,000 to \$15,000 per year, depending on coverage.

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