SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 5261

A bill to amend 1980 PA 300, entitled "The public school employees retirement act of 1979," by amending section 61 (MCL 38.1361), as amended by 2010 PA 75.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 61. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, if
- 2 a retirant is receiving a retirement allowance other than a
- 3 disability allowance payable under this act or under former 1945 PA
- 4 136, on account of either age or years of personal service
- 5 performed, or both, and becomes employed by a reporting unit, the
- 6 following shall take place OCCUR:
- 7 (a) The retirant shall IS not be entitled to a new final
- 8 average compensation or additional service credit under this
- 9 retirement system unless additional service is performed equivalent

- 1 to 5 or more years of service credit or, if the retirant has
- 2 contributed to the member investment plan, the equivalent of 3 or
- 3 more years of service credit. The retirant may elect to have the
- 4 retirement allowance recomputed based on the added credit or the
- 5 final average compensation resulting from the added service, or
- 6 both. A retirement allowance shall not be recomputed until the
- 7 retirant pays into the retirement system an amount equal to the
- 8 retirant's new final average compensation multiplied by the
- 9 percentage determined under section 41(2) for normal cost and
- 10 unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities, not including the
- 11 percentage required for the funding of health benefits, multiplied
- 12 by the total service credit in the period in which the retirant's
- 13 additional service was performed.
- 14 (b) The retirant's retirement allowance shall be reduced by
- 15 the lesser of the amount that the earnings in a calendar year
- 16 exceed the amount permitted without a reduction of benefits under
- 17 the social security act, chapter 531, 49 Stat. 620, or 1/3 of the
- 18 retirant's final average compensation. For purposes of computing
- 19 allowable earnings under this subdivision, the final average
- 20 compensation shall be increased by 5% for each full year of
- 21 retirement.
- 22 (2) The retirement system may offset retirement benefits
- 23 payable under this act against amounts owed to the retirement
- 24 system by a retirant or retirement allowance beneficiary.
- 25 (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to a retirant if all of the
- 26 following circumstances exist:
- 27 (a) The retirant is a former teacher or administrator employed

- 1 in a teaching or research capacity by a university that is
- 2 considered a reporting unit for the limited purpose described in
- 3 section 7(3). A UNIVERSITY THAT EMPLOYS A RETIRANT UNDER THIS
- 4 SUBSECTION SHALL REPORT THAT EMPLOYMENT TO THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM BY
- 5 JULY 1 OF EACH YEAR. THE UNIVERSITY SHALL INCLUDE IN THE REPORT THE
- 6 NAME OF THE RETIRANT, THE CAPACITY IN WHICH THE RETIRANT IS
- 7 EMPLOYED, AND THE TOTAL ANNUAL COMPENSATION PAID TO THE RETIRANT.
- 8 (b) The retirant is not eligible to use any service or
- 9 compensation attributable to the employment described in
- 10 subdivision (a) for a recomputation of his or her retirement
- 11 allowance.
- 12 (c) A university which employs a retirant pursuant to this
- 13 subsection shall report such employment to the retirement system by
- 14 July 1 of each year. The report to be filed shall include the name
- 15 of the retirant, the capacity in which the retirant is employed,
- 16 and the total annual compensation paid to the retirant.
- 17 (4) Until July 1, 2011, subsection SUBSECTION (1) does not
- 18 apply to a retirant if all of the following circumstances exist:
- 19 (a) The retirant is employed by OR AT a reporting unit that
- 20 has an approved emergency situation, not including a situation
- 21 caused by a labor dispute, that necessitates the hiring of a
- 22 retirant in the capacity of a teacher, principal, stationary
- 23 engineer, administrator, or other category as determined by the
- 24 superintendent of public instruction to prevent depriving students
- 25 of an education. The chief executive officer or superintendent of
- 26 the school district shall include with the written notification
- 27 documentation showing that more than 8% of all classes in the

- 1 district during the 1998-99 school year are taught by full-time
- 2 substitute teachers who are not certificated in the subjects or
- 3 grade levels which they teach. Within 30 days after receipt of the
- 4 notification and documentation under this subdivision, the THE
- 5 department of education shall notify the chief executive officer or
- 6 superintendent and the retirement system of its approval or
- 7 disapproval of the emergency situation. If disapproved by the
- 8 department of education, this subsection does not apply.
- 9 (b) The retirant is employed under an-ANY emergency situation
- 10 described in subdivision (a) for a **TOTAL** period not to exceed 6-3
- 11 years FOR THAT RETIRANT.
- 12 (c) The retirant is not eliqible to use any service or
- 13 compensation attributable to the employment described in
- 14 subdivision (a) for a recomputation of his or her retirement
- 15 allowance.
- 16 (D) THE REPORTING UNIT SHALL PAY 100% OF THE CONTRIBUTION RATE
- 17 FOR HEALTH BENEFITS PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 91 THAT IS IDENTIFIED IN
- 18 SECTION 41 TO THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR EACH RETIRANT WHO BECOMES
- 19 EMPLOYED BY A REPORTING UNIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 20 (5) The state superintendent of public instruction shall
- 21 compile a listing of critical shortage disciplines. This listing
- 22 shall be updated annually. IT IS THE INTENT OF THE LEGISLATURE THAT
- 23 TEACHER PREPARATION INSTITUTIONS REFORM THEIR PROGRAM ENROLLMENT TO
- 24 TARGET THE SHORTAGES AND INCREASE ENROLLMENT AND COMPLETION OF
- 25 SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH (STEM) TEACHERS AND
- 26 EDUCATORS OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES BEFORE THE SUNSET OF
- 27 SUBSECTION (6).

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- 1 (6) Until July 1, 2011, [2014] AND SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (7),
- 2 subsection (1) does not apply to a retirant if all of the following
- 3 circumstances exist:
- 4 (a) The retirant is employed by OR AT a reporting unit that
- 5 has a situation, not including a situation caused by a labor
- 6 dispute, that necessitates the hiring of a retirant in an area that
- 7 has been identified by the state superintendent of public
- 8 instruction as a critical shortage discipline pursuant to
- 9 subsection (5).
- 10 (b) The retirant is employed under a ANY situation described
- 11 in subdivision (a) for a period not to exceed 6-3 years FOR THAT
- 12 RETIRANT.
- 13 (c) The retirant is not eligible to use any service or
- 14 compensation attributable to the employment described in
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- 16 allowance.
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- 19 SECTION 41 TO THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR EACH RETIRANT WHO BECOMES
- 20 EMPLOYED BY A REPORTING UNIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 21 (7) Subsection SUBSECTIONS (4) AND (6) shall only apply for
- 22 retirants who have been retired for at least 12 months before
- 23 becoming employed under this section.
- 24 (8) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act TO THE
- 25 CONTRARY, for any A retirant who retires on and OR after July 1,
- 26 2010, and following a bona fide termination, including not working
- 27 in the month of the retirant's retirement effective date, and who

- 1 becomes employed by a reporting unit and the retirant's amount of
- 2 earnings in a calendar year exceeds 1/3 of the retirant's final
- 3 average compensation, the retirant shall forfeit his or her
- 4 retirement allowance and the retirement system subsidy for health
- 5 care benefits from the retirement system for as long as the
- 6 retirant is employed at the reporting unit UNLESS THE RETIRANT IS
- 7 EMPLOYED UNDER SUBSECTION (4) OR (6). Any A retirant who has
- 8 forfeited the retirement system subsidy for health care benefits
- 9 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION and WHO wants to retain health care benefits
- 10 shall pay the retirant's and retirement system's costs for such THE
- 11 health care benefits. Upon termination of employment at the
- 12 reporting unit, the retirement allowance and health care benefits
- 13 shall resume without recalculation.
- 14 (9) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act TO THE
- 15 CONTRARY, for any A retirant who retires on and OR after July 1,
- 16 2010, who performs core services at a reporting unit as determined
- 17 by the retirement system, WHOSE AMOUNT OF EARNINGS IN A CALENDAR
- 18 YEAR EXCEEDS 1/3 OF HIS OR HER FINAL AVERAGE COMPENSATION, but who
- 19 is employed by an entity other than the reporting unit or is an
- 20 independent contractor, the retirant shall forfeit his or her
- 21 retirement allowance and the retirement system subsidy for health
- 22 care benefits from the retirement system for as long as the
- 23 retirant is performing core services at the reporting unit UNLESS
- 24 THE RETIRANT IS EMPLOYED UNDER SUBSECTION (4) OR (6). Any A
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- 3 care benefits shall resume without recalculation. AS USED IN THIS
- 4 SUBSECTION, [UNTIL JULY 1, 2014,] "CORE SERVICE" DOES NOT INCLUDE SERVICE PROVIDED BY A
- 5 SUBSTITUTE TEACHER WHOSE AMOUNT OF EARNINGS IN A CALENDAR YEAR IS
- 6 NO MORE THAN [2/3] OF HIS OR HER FINAL AVERAGE COMPENSATION.