DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides that the salary of a teacher whose employment is interrupted by military service shall be calculated as if there were no interruption for purposes of placement on the steps of the salary schedule.

Present law provides that teachers whose teaching service was interrupted by active duty during World War II or the conflicts in Korean or Vietnam receive credit on their salary schedule for their period of military service. Proposed law retains present law and adds that a teacher whose employment is interrupted by induction into military service subsequent to the three events specified in present law shall be placed, upon return to service as a teacher, on the salary schedule as if there were no interruption.

Proposed law provides that military service means service during a declared war or during a campaign or expedition for which campaign badges are authorized.

Proposed law provides that proposed law:

(1) Has a prospective application only; however, an employed teacher whose service was interrupted between the end of the Vietnam Era and the effective date of proposed law shall have his experience increased on his salary schedule according to the duration of his military service, and thereafter, his salary shall be based on this increase.

(2) Has no effect on the benefits of retired teachers.

(Adds R.S. 17:423.1)