

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 21

BY REPRESENTATIVE GLORIOSO

RETIREMENT/MUNICIPAL EMP: Provides relative to participation in the Municipal Employees' Retirement System

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 11:1735(A), 1759(D), 1782(1), 1788(A), and 1802(1) and to
3 enact R.S. 11:1732(13)(c) and (14)(a)(xiv), relative to the Municipal Employees'
4 Retirement System of Louisiana; to provide for employer participation; to provide
5 relative to certain exemptions; to provide relative to accumulated contributions; to
6 provide relative to membership in the system; to provide relative to computation of
7 normal retirement allowances; to provide for definitions; to provide relative to
8 benefits of part-time reemployed retirees; to provide relative to service credit; and
9 to provide for related matters.

10 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
11 as provided by Article X, Section 29(C) of the Constitution
12 of Louisiana.

13 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

14 Section 1. R.S. 11:1735(A), 1759(D), 1782(1), 1788(A), and 1802(1) are hereby
15 amended and reenacted and R.S. 11:1732(13)(c) and (14)(a)(xiv) are hereby enacted to read
16 as follows:

17 §1732. Definitions

18 The following words and phrases, as used in this Chapter, unless a different
19 meaning is plainly required by the context, shall have the following meanings:

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21 (13)
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1 terminated from a participating ~~municipality~~ employer for thirty days and until all
2 contributions for ~~said~~ the member have been submitted by the member's employer.

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4 §1782. Computation of normal retirement allowances; return of accumulated
5 contributions

6 The monthly amount of the retirement allowance for any member of Plan A
7 shall consist of an amount equal to three percent of the member's final compensation
8 multiplied by his years of creditable service, provided however, that:

9 (1) Any member who has held an elective office in a ~~municipality which is~~
10 a participating employer shall be paid an additional annuity equal to one-half of one
11 percent for each year of such elective service.

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13 §1788. Optional membership

14 A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any
15 ~~municipality~~ participating employer which has its employees covered under Social
16 Security and enrolled in Plan B of this system, shall have the option of becoming
17 members of Plan A. The ~~municipality~~ participating employer shall notify the system
18 of its intention to be enrolled in Plan A in writing. The ~~municipality~~ participating
19 employer shall not be entitled to transfer the service and contributions standing to
20 their credit in Plan B to Plan A. After the effective date of such transfer, both the
21 employee and employer shall make the current contributions required by each under
22 Plan A.

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24 §1802. Computation of normal retirement allowance

25 The monthly amount of the retirement allowance for any member of Plan B
26 shall consist of an amount equal to two percent of the member's final compensation
27 multiplied by his years of creditable service, provided that:

Present law provides that a member of Plan B who has held an elected office in a municipality is to be paid an additional annuity equal to one-half of one percent for each year of elected service.

Proposed law changes references to "municipality" to "participating employer". Otherwise retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 11:1735(A), 1759(D), 1782(1), 1788(A), and 1802(1); Adds R.S. 11:1732(13)(c) and (14)(a)(xiv))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Retirement to the original bill:

1. Remove from proposed law the repeal of the termination date in present law.