
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1298

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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Sommers, Alexander, Fromhold, Conway and Benson)

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1 AN ACT Relating to vesting after five years of service in the
2 defined benefit portion of the public employees' retirement system, the
3 school employees' retirement system, and the teachers' retirement
4 system plan 3; amending RCW 41.32.875, 41.35.680, and 41.40.820;
5 providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

7 **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.32.875 and 2000 c 247 s 903 are each amended to
8 read as follows:

9 (1) NORMAL RETIREMENT. Any member who is at least age sixty-five
10 and who has((+)

11 ~~(a))~~ completed (~~(ten))~~ five service credit years(~~(+or~~

12 ~~(b) Completed five service credit years, including twelve service~~
13 ~~credit months after attaining age fifty four; or~~

14 ~~(e))~~ or completed five service credit years by July 1, 1996, under
15 plan 2 and who transferred to plan 3 under RCW 41.32.817(~~(+)~~)

16 shall be eligible to retire and to receive a retirement allowance
17 computed according to the provisions of RCW 41.32.840.

18 (2) EARLY RETIREMENT. Any member who has attained at least age
19 fifty-five and has completed at least ten years of service shall be

1 eligible to retire and to receive a retirement allowance computed
2 according to the provisions of RCW 41.32.840, except that a member
3 retiring pursuant to this subsection shall have the retirement
4 allowance actuarially reduced to reflect the difference in the number
5 of years between age at retirement and the attainment of age sixty-
6 five.

7 (3) ALTERNATE EARLY RETIREMENT. Any member who has completed at
8 least thirty service credit years and has attained age fifty-five shall
9 be eligible to retire and to receive a retirement allowance computed
10 according to the provisions of RCW 41.32.840, except that a member
11 retiring pursuant to this subsection shall have the retirement
12 allowance reduced by three percent per year to reflect the difference
13 in the number of years between age at retirement and the attainment of
14 age sixty-five.

15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 41.35.680 and 2000 c 247 s 906 are each amended to
16 read as follows:

17 (1) NORMAL RETIREMENT. Any member who is at least age sixty-five
18 and who has((÷

19 ~~(a))~~ completed ~~((ten))~~ five service credit years~~((÷ or~~
20 ~~(b) Completed five service credit years, including twelve service~~
21 ~~credit months after attaining age fifty four; or~~

22 ~~(c))~~ or completed five service credit years by September 1, 2000,
23 under the public employees' retirement system plan 2 and who
24 transferred to plan 3 under RCW 41.35.510((÷))
25 shall be eligible to retire and to receive a retirement allowance
26 computed according to the provisions of RCW 41.35.620.

27 (2) EARLY RETIREMENT. Any member who has attained at least age
28 fifty-five and has completed at least ten years of service shall be
29 eligible to retire and to receive a retirement allowance computed
30 according to the provisions of RCW 41.35.620, except that a member
31 retiring pursuant to this subsection shall have the retirement
32 allowance actuarially reduced to reflect the difference in the number
33 of years between age at retirement and the attainment of age sixty-
34 five.

35 (3) ALTERNATE EARLY RETIREMENT. Any member who has completed at
36 least thirty service credit years and has attained age fifty-five shall
37 be eligible to retire and to receive a retirement allowance computed

1 according to the provisions of RCW 41.35.620, except that a member
2 retiring pursuant to this subsection shall have the retirement
3 allowance reduced by three percent per year to reflect the difference
4 in the number of years between age at retirement and the attainment of
5 age sixty-five.

6 **Sec. 3.** RCW 41.40.820 and 2000 c 247 s 309 are each amended to
7 read as follows:

8 (1) NORMAL RETIREMENT. Any member who is at least age sixty-five
9 and who has ~~((~~

10 ~~(a))~~ completed ~~((ten))~~ five service credit years ~~((; or~~

11 ~~(b) Completed five service credit years, including twelve service~~
12 ~~credit months after attaining age fifty four; or~~

13 ~~(c))~~ or completed five service credit years by the transfer
14 payment date specified in RCW 41.40.795, under the public employees'
15 retirement system plan 2 and who transferred to plan 3 under RCW
16 41.40.795 ~~((;))~~

17 shall be eligible to retire and to receive a retirement allowance
18 computed according to the provisions of RCW 41.40.790.

19 (2) EARLY RETIREMENT. Any member who has attained at least age
20 fifty-five and has completed at least ten years of service shall be
21 eligible to retire and to receive a retirement allowance computed
22 according to the provisions of RCW 41.40.790, except that a member
23 retiring pursuant to this subsection shall have the retirement
24 allowance actuarially reduced to reflect the difference in the number
25 of years between age at retirement and the attainment of age sixty-
26 five.

27 (3) ALTERNATE EARLY RETIREMENT. Any member who has completed at
28 least thirty service credit years and has attained age fifty-five shall
29 be eligible to retire and to receive a retirement allowance computed
30 according to the provisions of RCW 41.40.790, except that a member
31 retiring pursuant to this subsection shall have the retirement
32 allowance reduced by three percent per year to reflect the difference
33 in the number of years between age at retirement and the attainment of
34 age sixty-five.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** This act is necessary for the immediate

1 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
2 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
3 May 1, 2003.

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