
HOUSE BILL 2902

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By Representatives Walen and Bergquist

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1 AN ACT Relating to providing service credit in the law
2 enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2 for
3 certain emergency medical technicians providing emergency medical
4 services for a county; and adding a new section to chapter 41.26 RCW.

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

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 41.26
7 RCW under the subchapter heading "plan 2" to read as follows:

8 (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 236, Laws of 2012
9 and RCW 41.26.030(14)(c), any person employed on a full-time, fully
10 compensated basis by King county public hospital district No. 2,
11 EvergreenHealth, as an emergency medical technician that met the
12 requirements of RCW 18.71.200 or 18.73.030(12), and whose duties
13 included providing emergency medical services as defined in RCW
14 18.73.030 within the boundaries of a county whose population on the
15 effective date of this section exceeds two million residents, shall
16 receive credit for service performed prior to January 1, 2003.

17 (2)(a) The department of retirement systems shall treat the
18 county as the employer for purposes of this section. This employer
19 classification:

1 (i) Is solely for the purpose of streamlining reporting service
2 and compensation credit and paying contributions for periods of
3 service covered by this section; and

4 (ii) Does not mean that the county is the employee's employer for
5 any other purpose.

6 (b) All employee and employer contributions required for past
7 periods of service established under this section shall be paid by
8 the employer identified for purposes of this section.

9 (i) Employee contributions shall be calculated by the department
10 equal to the contributions that would have been paid by the employee
11 had the employee been a member of the law enforcement officers' and
12 firefighters' retirement system plan 2.

13 (ii) Employer contributions shall be calculated by the department
14 equal to the contributions that would have been paid by the employer
15 and the state had the employee been reported in the law enforcement
16 officers' and firefighters' retirement system plan 2.

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