A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO GOVERNMENT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that in 2010, chapter 88,
- 2 Hawaii Revised Statutes, was amended to clarify the
- 3 circumstances under which an employees' retirement system
- 4 retirant may be reemployed without the suspension of the
- 5 retirant's benefits and to provide remedies for the employees'
- 6 retirement system if a retirant is reemployed in violation of
- 7 that chapter and any administrative rule adopted thereunder.
- **8** The legislature further finds that there is a labor
- 9 shortage that makes it difficult-to-fill investigator positions
- 10 in the department of the attorney general.
- 11 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to establish an
- 12 additional category of retirants who may be employed without
- 13 re-enrollment in the employees' retirement system and without
- 14 loss or interruption of benefits.
- 15 SECTION 2. Section 88-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 16 amended as follows:
- 1. By amending subsection (d) to read:

| 1 | (α) | A rectrance may be emproyed without reemfortment in | | | |
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| 2 | the system and suffer no loss or interruption of benefits | | | | |
| 3 | provided by the system or under chapter 87A if the retirant is | | | | |
| 4 | employed: | | | | |
| 5 | (1) | As an elective officer pursuant to section 88-42.6(c) | | | |
| 6 | | or as a member of the legislature pursuant to | | | |
| 7 | | section 88-73(d); | | | |
| 8 | (2) | As a juror or precinct official; | | | |
| 9 | (3) | As a part-time or temporary employee excluded from | | | |
| 10 | | membership in the system pursuant to section 88-43, as | | | |
| 11 | | a session employee excluded from membership in the | | | |
| 12 | | system pursuant to section 88-54.2, as the president | | | |
| 13 | | and chief executive officer of the Hawaii tourism | | | |
| 14 | | authority excluded from membership in the system | | | |
| 15 | pursuant to section 201B-2, or as any other employee | | | | |
| 16 | expressly excluded by law from membership in the | | | | |
| 17 | | system; provided that: | | | |
| 18 | | (A) The retirant was not employed by the State or a | | | |
| 19 | | county during the six calendar months prior to | | | |
| 20 | | the first day of reemployment; and | | | |

| 1 | | (B) | No agreement was entered into between the State |
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| 2 | | | or a county and the retirant, prior to the |
| 3 | | | retirement of the retirant, for the return to |
| 4 | | | work by the retirant after retirement; |
| 5 | (4) | In a | position identified by the appropriate |
| 6 | | juris | sdiction as a labor shortage or difficult-to-fill |
| 7 | | posit | tion; provided that: |
| 8 | | (A) | The retirant was not employed by the State or a |
| 9 | | | county during the twelve calendar months prior to |
| 10 | | | the first day of reemployment; |
| 11 | | (B) | No agreement was entered into between the State |
| 12 | | | or a county and the retirant, prior to the |
| 13 | | | retirement of the retirant, for the return to |
| 14 | | | work by the retirant after retirement; and |
| 15 | | (C) | Each employer shall contribute to the pension |
| 16 | | | accumulation fund the required percentage of the |
| 17 | | | rehired retirant's compensation to amortize the |
| 18 | | | system's unfunded actuarial accrued liability; |
| 19 | | | [or] |
| 20 | (5) | As a | teacher or an administrator in a teacher shortage |
| 21 | | area | identified by the department of education or in a |

| I | | charter school or as a mentor for new classroom | | | |
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| 2 | | teac | teachers; provided that: | | |
| 3 | | (A) | The retirant was not employed by the State or a | | |
| 4 | | | county during the twelve calendar months prior to | | |
| 5 | • | | the first day of reemployment; | | |
| 6 | | (B) | No agreement was entered into between the State | | |
| 7 | | | or a county and the retirant prior to the | | |
| 8 | | | retirement of the retirant, for the return to | | |
| 9 | | | work by the retirant after retirement; and | | |
| 10 | | (C) | The department of education or charter school | | |
| 11 | | | shall contribute to the pension accumulation fund | | |
| 12 | | | the required percentage of the rehired retirant's | | |
| 13 | | | compensation to amortize the system's unfunded | | |
| 14 | | | actuarial accrued liability[+]; or | | |
| 15 | (6) | <u>As a</u> | n investigator identified by the department of the | | |
| 16 | | attorney general as a labor shortage or | | | |
| 17 | | diff | icult-to-fill position; provided that: | | |
| 18 | | <u>(A)</u> | The retirant was not employed by the State or a | | |
| 19 | | | county during the twelve calendar months prior to | | |
| 20 | | | the first day of reemployment; | | |

| 1 | <u>(B)</u> | No agreement was entered into between the |
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| 2 | | retirant and the State or a county, prior to the |
| 3 | | retirement of the retirant, for the return to |
| 4 | | work by the retirant after retirement; and |
| 5 | <u>(C)</u> | The department of the attorney general shall |
| 6 | | contribute to the pension accumulation fund the |
| 7 | | required percentage of the rehired retirant's |
| 8 | | compensation to amortize the system's unfunded |
| 9 | | actuarial accrued liability." |
| 10 | 2. By an | mending subsection (f) to read: |
| 11 | "(f) No | later than twenty days prior to the convening of |
| 12 | each regular l | egislative session, the director of human |
| 13 | resources of t | he appropriate state jurisdiction or the human |
| 14 | resources mana | gement chief executive of each county shall submit |
| 15 | an annual repo | rt to the legislature detailing the employment of |
| 16 | retirants unde | r paragraphs (4) $[\frac{and}{r}]_{\underline{r}}$ (5), and (6) of subsection |
| 17 | (d), including | the number and positions of retirants." |
| 18 | SECTION 3 | . Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed |
| 19 | and stricken. | New statutory material is underscored. |
| 20 | SECTION 4 | . This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050. |

Report Title:

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Description:

Allows a retirant to be employed without reenrollment in the Employees' Retirement System (ERS) and without loss or interruption of benefits provided by the ERS or under chapter 88, HRS, if the retirant is employed as an investigator in a position identified by the Department of the Attorney General as a labor shortage or difficult-to-fill position, subject to certain conditions. Requires the Director of Human Resources of the appropriate state jurisdiction or the human resources management chief executive of each county to include in their annual reports to the Legislature, details on the employment of retirants as investigators pursuant to this measure. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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