THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. ⁵⁷⁸ S.D. 1 Proposed

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 by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

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"(d) A retirant may be employed without reenrollment in
 the system and suffer no loss or interruption of benefits
 provided by the system or under chapter 87A if the retirant is
 employed:

5 (1) As an elective officer pursuant to section 88-42.6(c)
6 or as a member of the legislature pursuant to section
7 88-73(d);

8 (2) As a juror or precinct official;

9 As a part-time or temporary employee excluded from (3) 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 pursuant to section 201B-2, or as any other employee 15 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

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1		(B)	No agreement was entered into between the State
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		posi	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

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1		charter school or as a mentor for new classroom			
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</u> a	n investigator identified by the department of the		
16		atto	rney general as a labor shortage or difficult-to-		
17		<u>fill</u>	position; provided that:		
18		(A)	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;		

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1	<u>(B)</u>	No agreement was entered into between the
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	SECTION 3	. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
11	and stricken.	New statutory material is underscored.
12	SECTION 4	. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.





Report Title:

ATG; Retirees; ERS; Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund; Investigators

Description:

Provides that a retirant may be employed without reenrollment in the Employees' Retirement System and suffer no loss or interruption of benefits provided by the system or under Chapter 87A, 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. (SD1 Proposed)

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