ACT 172

S.B. NO. 432

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Public Employees Health Fund.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 87-4.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"[[]§87-4.5[]] State and county contributions to [the] fund; [for] employees [specified in section 87-1(5)(A)(ix) who retire after June 30, 1984,] with less than ten years of [credited] service[, excluding sick leave]. (a) This section shall apply to state and county contributions to the fund for employees specified in section 87-1(5)(A)(ix) who retire after June 30, 1984, with less than ten years of credited service, excluding sick leave.

[(a)] (b) The State through the department of budget and finance and the several counties through their respective departments of finance shall pay to the fund a monthly contribution of [\$22.78] <u>\$25.96 for the period July</u> <u>1.1987 to June 30, 1988 and \$28.56 for the period July 1, 1988 to June 30, 1989 for each of their respective employee-beneficiaries and [\$70.04] <u>\$79.84</u> for the period July 1, 1987 to June 30, 1988 and \$87.82 for the period July 1, <u>1988 to June 30, 1989</u> for each respective employee-beneficiary with a dependent-beneficiary enrolled under this section. These contributions shall be used for the payment of costs of [hospital, medical, and surgical benefits of] a health benefits plan; provided that the monthly contribution shall not exceed the actual cost of a health benefits plan. If both husband and wife are employee-beneficiaries, the total contribution by the State or the appropriate county shall not exceed the monthly contribution of a family plan for both of them.</u>

[(b)] (c) The State through the department of budget and finance and the several counties through their respective departments of finance shall pay to the fund a monthly contribution of [5.72] 5.96 for the period July 1, [1985,] <u>1987</u>, to June 30, [1986,] <u>1988</u>, and [5.96] 5.24 for the period July 1, [1986,] <u>1988</u>, to June 30, [1987,] <u>1989</u>, for each child who has not attained the age of nineteen of all employee-beneficiaries who are enrolled for dental benefits under this section. The contributions shall be used for the payment of costs of dental benefits of a health benefits plan. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary, no part of the fund shall be used to finance the contributions except a rate credit or reimbursement or earnings or interest therefrom received by the fund or general revenues appropriated for that purpose.

[(c)] (d) The State through the department of budget and finance and the several counties through their respective departments of finance shall pay to the fund a monthly contribution of \$2.25 for each of their respective employees to be used towards the payment of group life insurance benefits for each employee enrolled under this section.

[(d)] (e) The State through the department of budget and finance and the several counties through their respective departments of finance shall advance the amount of their respective [employee-beneficiaries] employee-

<u>beneficiaries</u>' contributions to the fund on or before the first day of each month.

[(e)] (f) Contributions made by the State or the several counties shall not be considered as wages or salary of an employee-beneficiary, and no employee-beneficiary shall have any vested right in or be entitled to receive any part of any contribution made to the fund."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect July 1, 1987.

(Approved June 6, 1987.)