

OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

Bill Analysis

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Reps. Scherer and Howse, Schuring, K. Smith, Antonio, Boccieri, Brenner, Dever, Patterson, Ramos

BILL SUMMARY

• Requires the Public Employees Retirement System Board to grant a full year of service credit to a member employed as a nonteaching school employee of a county board of developmental disabilities if the member performs full-time services in the position for at least nine months of the year and is paid earnable salary in each month of that year.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Service credit for certain county developmental disabilities board employees

Under continuing law, a Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) member receives a full month of service credit for each month in which the member earns at least a specified amount of earnable salary, which is generally all salary, wages, and other earnings paid to a member, not including payments such as leave payments or maintenance allowances. For 2018, the earnable salary amount is \$660 a month. Partial credit is granted for months in which a member earns less than that amount.¹

The bill makes an exception to the earnable salary required for full service credit. It requires the PERS Board to grant a full year of service credit to a PERS member if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The member is employed by a county board of developmental disabilities;

¹ R.C. 145.01(R) and 145.016, not in the bill, and Public Employees Retirement System, *OPERS Service Credit and Contributing Months* <u>https://www.opers.org/pubs-archive/leaflets/ISL-F.pdf</u>.

(2) The member's employment would be covered by the School Employees Retirement System (SERS) if the member was employed by an SERS-covered employer, such as a public school district;

(3) The member performs full-time services in the position for at least nine months of the year and is paid earnable salary in each month of that year.²

Current law grants a full year of service credit to an SERS member who is employed by an SERS covered employer on a full-time basis for nine or more months of service within a year.³

| HISTORY | |
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² R.C. 145.018.

³ R.C. 3309.30, not in the bill.