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SENATE BILL 6167

By Senators Pridemore, Zarelli and Prentice; by request of Department of Retirement Systems

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to clarifying the director's authority to determine
- 2 interest in certain public retirement systems; and adding a new section
- 3 to chapter 41.50 RCW.

State of Washington

- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 41.50 RCW 6 to read as follows:
- 7 (1) The director shall determine when interest, if provided by a
- 8 plan, shall be credited to accounts in the public employees' retirement
- 9 system, the teachers' retirement system, the school employees' 10 retirement system, the public safety employees' retirement system, the
- law enforcement officers' and firefighters' retirement system, or the
- 12 Washington state patrol retirement system. The amounts to be credited
- 13 and the methods of doing so shall be at the director's discretion,
- 14 except that if interest is credited, it shall be done at least
- 15 quarterly.
- 16 (2) Interest as determined by the director under this section is
- 17 "regular interest" as defined in RCW 41.40.010(15), 41.32.010(23),
- 18 41.35.010(12), 41.37.010(12), 41.26.030(23), and 43.43.120(8).

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(3) The legislature affirms that the authority of the director under RCW 41.40.020 and 41.50.030 includes the authority and responsibility to establish the amount and all conditions for regular interest, if any. The legislature intends this act to be curative, remedial, and retrospectively applicable.

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