- 2 **SHB 1024** S COMM AMD S2524.1
- 3 By Committee on Ways & Means
- 4 ADOPTED AS AMENDED 4/6/99
- 5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
- 6 following:
- 7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. A new section is added to chapter 41.32 RCW
- 8 under the subchapter heading "Plan 1" to read as follows:
- 9 A member may make the irrevocable election under this section no
- 10 later than six months after attaining thirty years of service. The
- 11 election shall become effective at the beginning of the calendar month
- 12 following department receipt of employee notification.
- 13 (1) The sum of member contributions made for periods of service
- 14 after the effective date of the election plus seven and one-half
- 15 percent interest shall be paid to the member at retirement without a
- 16 reduction in the member's monthly retirement benefit as determined
- 17 under RCW 41.32.498.
- 18 (2) Upon retirement, the member's benefit shall be calculated using
- 19 only the earnable compensation credited prior to the effective date of
- 20 the member's election. Calculation of the member's average earnable
- 21 compensation shall include eligible cash-outs of annual leave based on
- 22 the member's salary and leave accumulations at the time of retirement,
- 23 except that the amount of a member's average earnable compensation
- 24 cannot be higher than if the member had not taken advantage of the
- 25 election offered under this section.
- 26 (3) Members who have already earned thirty years of service credit
- 27 prior to the effective date of this act may participate in the election
- 28 by notifying the department in writing of their intention by December
- 29 31, 1999.
- The department shall continue to collect employer contributions as
- 31 required in RCW 41.45.060.
- 32 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 41.40 RCW
- 33 under the subchapter heading "Plan 1" to read as follows:
- A member may make the irrevocable election under this section no
- 35 later than six months after attaining thirty years of service. The

- election shall become effective at the beginning of the calendar month following department receipt of employee notification.
- 3 (1) The sum of member contributions made for periods of service 4 after the effective date of the election plus seven and one-half 5 percent interest shall be paid to the member at retirement without a 6 reduction in the member's monthly retirement benefit as determined 7 under RCW 41.40.185.
- 8 (2) Upon retirement, the member's benefit shall be calculated using 9 only the compensation earnable credited prior to the effective date of the member's election. Calculation of the member's average final 10 compensation shall include eligible cash-outs of sick and annual leave 11 based on the member's salary and leave accumulations at the time of 12 retirement, except that the amount of a member's average final 13 compensation cannot be higher than if the member had not taken 14 15 advantage of the election offered under this section.
- (3) Members who have already earned thirty years of service credit prior to the effective date of this act may participate in the election by notifying the department in writing of their intention by December 31, 1999.
- The department shall continue to collect employer contributions as required in RCW 41.45.060.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 41.40 RCW under the subchapter heading "Plan 1" to read as follows:
- 24 (1) A retiree who receives state-funded long-term care services on 25 or after June 1, 1998, is not eligible for the increase provided by section 8, chapter 340, laws of 1998, if the increase would make the 26 retiree ineligible for state-funded long-term care services. For the 27 purposes of this section "state-funded long-term care services" means 28 29 a state-funded adult family home, adult residential care, assisted 30 living, enhanced adult residential care, in-home care, or nursing home service, as defined in RCW 74.39A.009, for which the retiree is 31 required to contribute all income other than a specified amount 32 33 reserved for the retiree's personal maintenance needs. Retirees who 34 are subject to this section shall notify the department in writing. The department has no affirmative duty to identify retirees who are 35

subject to this subsection (3)(e).

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- 1 (2) This section applies to all payments under section 8, chapter 2 340, laws of 1998, made on or after the effective date of this act, 3 regardless of the date of retirement.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. Section 3 of this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately."
- 8 **SHB 1024** S COMM AMD
- 9 By Committee on Ways & Means
- 10 ADOPTED AS AMENDED 4/6/99
- On page 1, line 2 of the title, after "service;" strike the remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter 41.32 RCW; adding new sections to chapter 41.40 RCW; and declaring an emergency."

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