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- 1 AN ACT Relating to public pension contributions for members with
- 2 more than thirty years of service credit; adding a new section to
- 3 chapter 41.32 RCW; and adding a new section to chapter 41.40 RCW.
- 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 41.32 RCW 6 under the subchapter heading "Plan I" to read as follows:
- 7 (1) Any member who has accrued more than thirty years of service 8 shall receive payment at the time of retirement of an amount equal to 9 the employee contributions made by the member for all periods of 10 service in excess of thirty years, plus interest as determined under 11 subsection (2) of this section.
- 12 (2) The department shall annually adopt by rule the interest rate 13 to be paid on contributions that are subject to subsection (1) of this 14 section. The rate shall reflect current market interest rates for 15 short-term deposits, but in no case shall be below the regular interest 16 rate credited to members for other employee contributions.
- 17 (3) The payment of contributions to a retiring member under this 18 section shall not be considered a withdrawal of the member's 19 accumulated contributions for the purposes of RCW 41.32.498(2) and

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- 1 shall not result in the member receiving an actuarially reduced 2 allowance.
- 3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 41.40 RCW 4 under the subchapter heading "Plan I" to read as follows:
- 5 (1) Any member who receives a benefit calculated under RCW 6 41.40.185 (1), (2), or (3) and has accrued more than thirty years of 7 service shall receive payment at the time of retirement of an amount 8 equal to the employee contributions made by the member for all periods 9 of service in excess of thirty years, plus interest as determined under 10 subsection (2) of this section.
- 11 (2) The department shall annually adopt by rule the interest rate 12 to be paid on contributions that are subject to subsection (1) of this 13 section. The rate shall reflect current market interest rates for 14 short-term deposits, but in no case shall be below the regular interest 15 rate credited to members for other employee contributions.
- 16 (3) The payment of contributions to a retiring member under this 17 section shall not result in the member receiving an actuarially reduced 18 allowance.

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