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## ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5510

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By Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senator Niemi)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to Washington public employees' retirement;
- 2 amending RCW 41.40.058; adding a new section to chapter 41.50 RCW; and
- 3 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 41.50 RCW 6 to read as follows:
- 7 The director shall notify a member of any of the retirement systems
- 8 listed in RCW 41.50.030 who is eligible to restore withdrawn
- 9 contributions of the member's ability to restore the contributions, by
- 10 sending to the member's employer a statement of the potential service
- 11 credit to be restored, the amount of funds required for restoration,
- 12 the date by which the restoration must be accomplished, and the options
- 13 for repayment. The employer shall provide the statement to the member
- 14 and place a copy of the statement in the member's personnel file.
- 15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 41.40.058 and 1987 c 417 s 1 are each amended to read
- 16 as follows:
- 17 (1) Any person who was a member of the state-wide city employees'
- 18 retirement system governed by chapter 41.44 RCW and who also became a

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1 member of the public employees' retirement system on or before July 26,
2 1987, may, in a writing filed with the director, elect to:

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- (a) Transfer to the public employees' retirement system all service currently credited under chapter 41.44 RCW;
- (b) Reestablish and transfer to the public employees' retirement 5 system all service which was previously credited under chapter 41.44 6 7 RCW but which was canceled by discontinuance of service and withdrawal 8 of accumulated contributions as provided in RCW 41.44.190. The service 9 may be reestablished and transferred only upon payment by the member to 10 the employees' savings fund of the public employees' retirement system of the amount withdrawn plus interest thereon from the date of 11 withdrawal until the date of payment at a rate determined by the 12 13 No additional payments are required for service credit director. described in this subsection if already established under this chapter; 14 15 and
- 16 (c) Establish service credit for the initial period of employment not to exceed six months, prior to establishing membership under 17 chapter 41.44 RCW, upon payment in full by the member of the total 18 19 employer's contribution to the benefit account fund of the public 20 employees' retirement system that would have been made under this chapter when the initial service was rendered. The payment shall be 21 based on the first month's compensation earnable as a member of the 22 state-wide city employees' retirement system and as defined in RCW 23 24 41.44.030(13). However, a person who has established service credit 25 under RCW  $41.40.010((\frac{(11)}{(11)}))(13)$  (c) or (d) shall not establish 26 additional credit under this subsection nor may anyone who establishes 27 credit under this subsection establish any additional credit under RCW 41.40.010(((11)))(13) (c) or (d). No additional payments are required 28 for service credit described in this subsection if already established 29 30 under this chapter.
  - (2)(a) In the case of a member of the public employees' retirement system who is employed by an employer on July 26, 1987, the written election required by subsection (1) of this section must be filed and the payments required by subsection (1)(b) and (c) of this section must be completed ((in full within one year after July 26, 1987)) by December 31, 1993.
- 37 (b) In the case of a former member of the public employees' 38 retirement system who is not employed by an employer on July 26, 1987,

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- the written election must be filed and the payments must be completed in full within one year after reemployment by an employer.
- 3 (c) In the case of a retiree receiving a retirement allowance from 4 the public employees' retirement system on July 26, 1987, or any person 5 having vested rights as described in RCW 41.40.150  $((\frac{3}{3}) \text{ or } (\frac{5}{3})))$  (4), 6 the written election may be filed and the payments may be completed at any time.
- 8 (3) Upon receipt of the written election and payments required by subsection (1) of this section from any retiree described in subsection (2)(c) of this section, the department shall recompute the retiree's allowance in accordance with this section and shall pay any additional benefit resulting from such recomputation retroactively to the date of retirement from the system governed by this chapter.
- NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. A new section is added to chapter 41.40 RCW under the subchapter heading "Plan I" to read as follows:
- Any active member or separated member who was not eligible to restore contributions under section 3, chapter 317, Laws of 1986, solely because he or she was an elected official, other than an elected official under Articles II or III of the Constitution of the state of Washington, shall be permitted to restore withdrawn contributions for periods of nonelected service no later than June 30, 1994, with interest as determined by the director.

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