CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 3024

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TRS PLANS 2 AND 3--SERVICE CREDIT

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Passed by the House February 7, 2008 Yeas 95 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 7, 2008 Yeas 49 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Approved March 20, 2008, 4:06 p.m.

CERTIFICATE

I, Barbara Baker, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 3024** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BARBARA BAKER

Chief Clerk

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CHRISTINE GREGOIRE

Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State State of Washington

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By Representatives Conway, Fromhold, Bailey, Crouse, Hurst, Simpson, and Linville; by request of Select Committee on Pension Policy

Read first time 01/21/08. Referred to Committee on Appropriations.

- AN ACT Relating to purchasing service credit in plan 2 and plan 3 of the teachers' retirement system for public education experience performed as a teacher in a public school in another state or with the
- 4 federal government; and amending RCW 41.32.813 and 41.32.868.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 **Sec. 1.** RCW 41.32.813 and 2006 c 257 s 1 are each amended to read 7 as follows:
- 8 (1) An active member who has completed a minimum of ((five)) two
 9 years of creditable service in the teachers' retirement system may,
 10 upon written application to the department, make a one-time purchase of
 11 up to seven years of service credit for public education experience
 12 outside the Washington state retirement system, subject to the
 13 following limitations:
- 14 (a) The public education experience being claimed must have been 15 performed as a teacher in a public school in another state or with the 16 federal government; ((and))
- 17 (b) The public education experience being claimed must have been 18 covered by a retirement or pension plan provided by a state or 19 political subdivision of a state, or by the federal government; and

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- (c) The member is not currently receiving a benefit or currently eligible to receive an unreduced retirement benefit from a retirement or pension plan of a state or political subdivision of a state or the federal government that includes the service credit to be purchased.
 - (2) The service credit purchased shall be membership service, and may be used to qualify the member for retirement.
 - (3) The member shall pay the actuarial value of the resulting increase in the member's benefit calculated in a manner consistent with the department's method for calculating payments for reestablishing service credit under RCW 41.50.165.
- (4) The member may pay all or part of the cost of the service credit to be purchased with a lump sum payment, eligible rollover, direct rollover, or trustee-to-trustee transfer from an eligible retirement plan. The department shall adopt rules to ensure that all lump sum payments, rollovers, and transfers comply with the requirements of the internal revenue code and regulations adopted by the internal revenue service. The rules adopted by the department may condition the acceptance of a rollover or transfer from another plan on the receipt of information necessary to enable the department to determine the eligibility of any transferred funds for tax-free rollover treatment or other treatment under federal income tax law.
- 22 (5) The employer also may pay all or a portion of the member's cost 23 of the service credit purchased under this section.
 - Sec. 2. RCW 41.32.868 and 2006 c 257 s 2 are each amended to read as follows:
 - (1) An active member who has completed a minimum of ((five)) two years of creditable service in the teachers' retirement system may, upon written application to the department, make a one-time purchase of up to seven years of service credit for public education experience outside the Washington state retirement system, subject to the following limitations:
 - (a) The public education experience being claimed must have been performed as a teacher in a public school in another state or with the federal government;
- 35 (b) The public education experience being claimed must have been 36 covered by a retirement or pension plan provided by a state or 37 political subdivision of a state, or by the federal government; and

(c) The member is not currently receiving a benefit or currently eligible to receive an unreduced retirement benefit from a retirement or pension plan of a state or political subdivision of a state or the federal government that includes the service credit to be purchased.

- (2) The service credit purchased shall be membership service, and may be used to qualify the member for retirement.
- (3) The member shall pay the actuarial value of the resulting increase in the member's benefit calculated in a manner consistent with the department's method for calculating payments for reestablishing service credit under RCW 41.50.165.
- (4) The member may pay all or part of the cost of the service credit to be purchased with a lump sum payment, eligible rollover, direct rollover, or trustee-to-trustee transfer from an eligible retirement plan. The department shall adopt rules to ensure that all lump sum payments, rollovers, and transfers comply with the requirements of the internal revenue code and regulations adopted by the internal revenue service. The rules adopted by the department may condition the acceptance of a rollover or transfer from another plan on the receipt of information necessary to enable the department to determine the eligibility of any transferred funds for tax-free rollover treatment or other treatment under federal income tax law.
- 22 (5) The employer also may pay all or a portion of the member's cost 23 of the service credit purchased under this section.

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