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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGING, RETIREMENT AND VETERANS
BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JULY 1985

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LD: 1441 AN ACT TO PREVENT DOUBLE BENEFITS FOR THE HICKEY

SAME PERIOD OF SERVICE, TO PROVIDE MEMBERSHIP

ND: 556 AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF FIRST

CONTRIBUTIONS AND TO PROVIDE THAT BENEFITS

HOUSE Enacted SENATE Enacted GOV SIGNED PUBLIC CH # 244

H-140 HA HICKEY

H-152 HB HICKEY

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SUMMARY:

The new draft corrects awkward phraseology and grammar, divides a long subsection into 3 paragraphs, makes the bill effective for those joining the Retirement System after December 31, 1985, and adds a fiscal note. It does not change the original intent of the bill to prevent a member of the retirement system from receiving benefits from two parts of the retirement system for the same period of service. It also prohibits state employees who initially elect not to join the system and later decide to join from buying previous service time. This latter provision applies to those joining the system after December 31, 1985. The House Amendment (HB-H-152) clarifies the definition of dependent.

LD: 1473 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE NEW SPOUSE OF A PAR REMARRIED RETIREMENT SYSTEM MEMBER TO BE HIC COVERED AFTER THE MEMBER'S DEATH GAU

PARADIS P HICKEY GAUVREAU

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HOUSE Enacted SENATE Enacted GOV SIGNED

CH # 387

H-343 CA H S H-347 CA PARADIS P H S

SUMMARY:

The bill would have allowed a recipient of a retirement pension to include a new spouse if the recipient remarries after the first spouse died. The pension would be actuarily reduced to reflect the potential cost of including the new spouse. The Committee Amendment (CA-H-343) limited the provision to recipient under 70 years of age who were in good health. The House Amendment (CA-H-347) added a provision allowing recipients under 72 years 30 days to elected the option of including their new spouse.