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House of Representatives, January 10, 2000

An Act to Amend Requirements for Maine Technical College System Employees Participating in a Defined Contribution Plan.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Reference to the Committee on Labor suggested and ordered printed.

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative HATCH of Skowhegan. Cosponsored by Senator DOUGLASS of Androscoggin and Representatives: BRYANT of Dixfield, COTE of Lewiston, O'NEAL of Limestone, POVICH of Ellsworth, TRACY of Rome.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §12722, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 763, §4 and affected by §7, is amended to read:

Maine State Retirement System members. An eligible person who becomes a participant in the defined contribution plan offered by the board of trustees and who is a member of the Maine State Retirement System at the time participation in the defined contribution plan begins may apply for a refund of accumulated contributions from the Maine State Retirement System pursuant to Title 5, section 17705, except that any such person who has less than 10--years-of-creditable-service the number of years of creditable service required for vesting as of the date specified in the notification in subsection 2, paragraph A or the date of hire pursuant to subsection 2, paragraph B shall apply for a refund of accumulated contributions. Participation in the defined contribution plan offered by the board of trustees pursuant to this section is considered a termination of service for purposes of Title 5, section 17705 as of the date specified in the notification in subsection 2, paragraph A or the date of hire pursuant to subsection 2, paragraph B, except that, if an application is made for refund of accumulated contributions under an election pursuant to subsection 2, paragraph A, payment must be made no later than 90 days after receipt of the application by the Maine State Retirement System. Service rendered while a participant in the defined contribution plan offered by the board of trustees does not constitute service for a Maine State Retirement System member who does not withdraw contributions from the Maine State Retirement System nor is the member considered to be in service for purposes of Title 5, chapter 423, subchapter V, articles 3-A, 4 and 5 or, if the recipient of a service retirement benefit, restored to service for purposes of Title 5, section 17855.

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This bill amends the Maine State Retirement System law pertaining to the defined contribution plan for Maine Technical College System employees in accordance with recent revisions in Maine State Retirement System vesting requirements.