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CHAPTER 709

S.P. 787 - L.D. 2033

An Act to Allow State Employees and Teachers to Buy Back Time Spent in Certain Programs

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §17754, sub-§1, ¶F, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 801, §§5 and 7, is repealed.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §17763, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 801, §§5 and 7, is repealed.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §17764 is enacted to read:

§17764. Vista, Peace Corps and foreign teaching

Members who served in the Peace Corps, foreign or domestic, the Volunteers in Service to America Program, or the Fulbright Exchange Program or who taught children of United States Foreign Service Corps personnel outside the continental United States or United States Armed Forces personnel located in any foreign country on a regularly established United States military base may purchase service credit for that service under the following conditions. For the purposes of this section "members" means state employees and teachers.

1. Limit on service credit. The service credit may not exceed 2 years.

2. Creditable service required. Members whose service in these organizations preceded their becoming members in the Maine State Retirement System must, on the date of retirement, have at least 15 years of creditable service.

3. Return to employment. Members who terminated service in the State as state employees or teachers prior to service with these organizations must return to state employment or active teaching in the State within one year of the completion of service in these organizations.

4. Payment to fund. Members must, before any retirement benefit becomes effective, pay into the Members' Contribution Fund by a single direct payment or annual direct payments to the retirement system an amount that, together with regular interest on that amount, is the actuarial equivalent, at the effective date of the retirement benefit, of the portion of the retirement benefit based on the additional creditable service. Payments must be made as provided in section 17701.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 710

H.P. 1383 - L.D. 1914

An Act to Further Facilitate the Conversion of the Records of the Maine State Retirement System to an Automated System

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §17001, sub-§3-A is enacted to read:

3-A. Annual base compensation. "Annual base compensation" means a member's earnable compensation as adjusted by board rule to provide an equitable and stable basis for setting the amount of coverage for participants in the group life insurance program administered by the board.

Sec. 2. 5 MRSA §17701, sub-§4 is enacted to read:

4. Payment or repayment of contributions, back time, refunds or purchase of service credits. The board shall designate, by rule, a period of not less than 30 days during which annual direct payments or repayments as provided in this chapter may be made.

Sec. 3. 5 MRSA §17703, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 801, §§5 and 7, is amended to read:

2. Manner of repayment. The repayment may must be made to the retirement system by a single direct payment or by an increased rate of contribution through payroll deduction annual direct payments. Annual repayments must be made as provided in section 17701, subsection 4.

Sec. 4. 5 MRSA §17704, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 801, §§5 and 7, is amended to read:

2. Manner of payment. The payment may must be made to the retirement system by a single direct payment or by an increased rate of contribution through payroll deduction annual direct payments. Annual payments must be made as provided in section 17701, subsection 4.

Sec. 5. 5 MRSA §17713, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 801, §§5 and 7, is amended to read:

A. If the member qualifies under section 17760, subsection 2, paragraph D, contributions shall be calculated at the percentage rate required of active members during the period of time covered by the service in the armed forces applied to the member's earnable compensation during the first year as an employee after service in the armed forces, under the following terms and conditions: