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All Adopted Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor if it is a floor amendment or the designation "COMMITTEE" if it is a committee amendment.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

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Key to Committee Reports and Floor Action:

OTP	Ought to Pass
OTP-ND	Ought to Pass in New Draft
OTP-ND-NT	Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
OTP-A	Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP	Ought Not to Pass
LVWD	Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP .	Indefinitely Postponed

LD AN ACT TO EQUALIZE RETIREMENT CREDITS FOR AIR INDEF. PP **1606** AND ARMY NATIONAL GUARDSMEN

Sponsor: DUFFY, Richard, Committee Report: New Draft of LD 1252 Amendments Adopted: H-142 HICKEY H-166 HICKEY

SUMMARY: Present statute allows members of the retirement system to purchase service credit for up to four years of military service. Individuals who are eligible to receive another pension for that military service are not eligible to purchase service time. The purpose of the original bill was to add bad conduct as a reason for disallowing an individual the right to purchase service time. It also proposed correcting a problem national guard members had. If while they were state employees they earned enough ser-ice credit in the National Guard to be eligible for a military pension, they lost the right to purchase service credit for military service time before becoming a member of the State Retirement System. The original bill limited the exclusion to those individuals who were eligible for a pension based on their military service before they became members of the Retirement System.

The new draft retains the intent of the original bill but limits the exclusion for bad conduct to those entering state service after September 16, 1987. It also makes it clear that an individual could not earn retirement credit for National Guard service for any day he/she receive state retirement credits.

House Amendment A (H-142) repeals a section of the statute which had been recodified in the previous session but not repealed-concerning purchase of service time.

House Amendment B (H-166) adds a fiscal note indicating their would be possible future costs from the bill starting in the year 1990-91.

LD AN ACT TO PROVIDE AN ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS OR PL 1987 HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM TO RETIRED TEACHERS 1637 c. 450

Sponsor: BUSTIN, Randall, Matthews Z, Gould R, Committee Report: New Draft of LD 843 Amendments Adopted: S-77 BERUBE S-255 PEARSON

SUMMARY: The intent of both the original bill and the new draft is to provide state support for the payment of health

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