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The Florida Senate
COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL
GOVERNMENT
Senator Simmons, Chair
Senator Bean, Vice Chair

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, February 21, 2018
TIME: 4:00—6:00 p.m.
PLACE: 301 Senate Office Building

MEMBERS: Senator Simmons, Chair; Senator Bean, Vice Chair; Senators Broxson, Campbell, Gainer, Garcia, Mayfield, Powell, Rodriguez, Taddeo, and Torres

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	SB 1758 Montford (Similar H 493)	Special Risk Class; Adding specified Florida State Hospital employees to the class, etc. GO 01/23/2018 Favorable AGG 02/21/2018 Fav/CS AP	Fav/CS Yeas 8 Nays 0

Other Related Meeting Documents

The Florida Senate
BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government

BILL: PCS/SB 1758 (303670)

INTRODUCER: Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Senator Montford

SUBJECT: Special Risk Class

DATE: February 23, 2018

REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	<u>Peacock</u>	<u>Caldwell</u>	<u>GO</u>	Favorable
2.	<u>Davis/Sneed</u>	<u>Betta</u>	<u>AGG</u>	Recommend: Fav/CS
3.	_____	_____	<u>AP</u>	_____

Please see Section IX. for Additional Information:

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE - Substantial Changes

I. Summary:

PCS/SB 1758 revises criteria for membership in the Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System to include specified employees of the Florida State Hospital, located in Chattahoochee, Florida. The bill provides a legislative determination that the act fulfills an important state interest.

The Department of Children and Families will incur higher retirement contributions to fund these enhanced benefits for employees moving from the Regular Class to the Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System as specified in the bill. The bill may affect approximately 1,000 positions. The costs of these enhanced benefits are estimated to be \$1,939,172 (\$1.3 million from the General Revenue Fund and \$676,054 from agency trust funds) for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and \$3,878,344 (\$2.5 million from the General Revenue Fund and \$1.3 million from agency trust funds) annually thereafter. The bill appropriates the recurring sums of \$1,263,118 from the General Revenue Fund, \$605,606 from the Federal Grants Trust Fund, and \$70,448 from the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund to the Department of Children and Families to implement the provisions in the bill.

The bill takes effect on January 1, 2019.

II. Present Situation:

The Florida Retirement System

The Florida Retirement System (FRS) was established in 1970 when the Legislature consolidated the Teachers' Retirement System, the State and County Officers and Employees' Retirement System, and the Highway Patrol Pension Fund. In 1972, the Judicial Retirement System was consolidated into the FRS, and in 2007, the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Supplemental Retirement Program was consolidated under the Regular Class of the FRS as a closed group.¹ The FRS is a contributory system, with most members contributing three percent of their salaries.²

The FRS is a multi-employer, contributory plan, governed by the Florida Retirement System Act in ch. 121, F.S. As of June 30, 2017, the FRS had 637,643 active members, 406,374 annuitants, 16,150 disabled retirees, and 32,233 active participants of the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP).³ As of June 30, 2017, the FRS consisted of 995 total employers; it is the primary retirement plan for employees of state and county government agencies, district school boards, Florida College institutions, and state universities, and includes the 173 cities and 260 special districts that have elected to join the system.⁴

The membership of the FRS is divided into five membership classes:

- The Regular Class⁵ consists of 552,600 active members, plus 3,116 in renewed membership;
- The Special Risk Class⁶ includes 71,612 active members;
- The Special Risk Administrative Support Class⁷ has 93 active members;
- The Elected Officers' Class⁸ has 2,082 active members, plus 85 in renewed membership; and
- The Senior Management Service Class⁹ has 7,912 members, plus 116 in renewed membership.¹⁰

¹ Florida Retirement System Pension Plan and Other State Administered Retirement Systems Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017, at p. 33. Available online at: https://www.rol.frs.state.fl.us/forms/2016-17_CAFR.pdf. (Last visited January 3, 2018.)

² Prior to 1975, members of the FRS were required to make employee contributions of either 4 percent for Regular Class employees or 6 percent for Special Risk Class members. Employees were again required to contribute to the system after July 1, 2011. Members in the Deferred Retirement Option Program do not contribute to the system.

³ Florida Retirement System Pension Plan and Other State Administered Retirement Systems Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017, at p. 144.

⁴ *Id.*, at 180.

⁵ The Regular Class is for all members who are not assigned to another class. Section 121.021(12), F.S.

⁶ The Special Risk Class is for members employed as law enforcement officers, firefighters, correctional officers, probation officers, paramedics and emergency technicians, among others. Section 121.0515, F.S.

⁷ The Special Risk Administrative Support Class is for a special risk member who moved or was reassigned to a nonspecial risk law enforcement, firefighting, correctional, or emergency medical care administrative support position with the same agency, or who is subsequently employed in such a position under the Florida Retirement System. Section 121.0515(8), F.S.

⁸ The Elected Officers' Class is for elected state and county officers, and for those elected municipal or special district officers whose governing body has chosen Elected Officers' Class participation for its elected officers. Section 121.052, F.S.

⁹ The Senior Management Service Class is for members who fill senior management level positions assigned by law to the Senior Management Service Class or authorized by law as eligible for Senior Management Service designation. Section 121.055, F.S.

¹⁰ All figures from Florida Retirement System Pension Plan and Other State Administered Retirement Systems Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017, at p. 147.

Each class is funded separately based upon the costs attributable to the members of that class.

Members of the FRS have two primary plan options available for participation:

- The defined contribution plan, also known as the Investment Plan; and
- The defined benefit plan, also known as the Pension Plan.

The Special Risk Class of the FRS

The Special Risk Class of the FRS consists of state and local government employees who meet the criteria for special risk membership. The class covers persons employed in law enforcement, firefighting, criminal detention, and emergency and forensic medical care who meet statutory criteria for membership as set forth in s. 121.0515, F.S.

In originally establishing the Special Risk Class of membership in the FRS, the Legislature recognized that persons employed in certain categories of positions:

are required to perform work that is physically demanding or arduous, or work that requires extraordinary agility and mental acuity, and that such persons, because of diminishing physical and mental faculties, may find that they are not able, without risk to the health and safety of themselves, the public, or their coworkers, to continue performing such duties and thus enjoy the full career and retirement benefits enjoyed by persons employed in other membership classes and that, if they find it necessary, due to the physical and mental limitations of their age, to retire at an earlier age and usually with less service, they will suffer an economic deprivation therefrom.¹¹

A person who is a member in the Special Risk Class may retire at an earlier age and is eligible to receive higher disability and death benefits than Regular Class members.

Investment Plan

In 2000, the Legislature created the Public Employee Optional Retirement Program (Investment Plan), a defined contribution plan offered to eligible employees as an alternative to the FRS Pension Plan.

Benefits under the Investment Plan accrue in individual member accounts funded by both employee and employer contributions and earnings. Benefits are provided through employee-directed investments offered by approved investment providers.

A member vests immediately in all employee contributions paid to the Investment Plan.¹² With respect to the employer contributions, a member vests after completing one work year of employment with an FRS employer.¹³ Vested benefits are payable upon termination or death as a

¹¹ Section 121.0515(1), F.S.

¹² Section 121.4501(6)(a), F.S.

¹³ If a member terminates employment before vesting in the investment plan, the nonvested money is transferred from the member's account to the SBA for deposit and investment by the SBA in its suspense account for up to five years. If the member is not reemployed as an eligible employee within five years, then any nonvested accumulations transferred from a member's account to the SBA's suspense account are forfeited. Section 121.4501(6)(b)-(d), F.S.

lump-sum distribution, direct rollover distribution, or periodic distribution.¹⁴ The Investment Plan also provides disability coverage for both in-line-of-duty and regular disability retirement benefits.¹⁵ An FRS member who qualifies for disability while enrolled in the Investment Plan must apply for benefits as if the employee were a member of the Pension Plan. If approved for retirement disability benefits, the member is transferred to the Pension Plan.¹⁶

The State Board of Administration (SBA) is primarily responsible for administering the Investment Plan.¹⁷ The SBA is comprised of the Governor as chair, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Attorney General.¹⁸

Pension Plan

The Pension Plan is administered by the secretary of the Department of Management Services through the Division of Retirement.¹⁹ The SBA handles investment management.

Any member initially enrolled in the Pension Plan before July 1, 2011, vests in the Pension Plan after completing six years of service with an FRS employer.²⁰ For members enrolled on or after July 1, 2011, the member vests in the Pension Plan after eight years of creditable service.²¹ Benefits payable under the Pension Plan are calculated based on the member's years of creditable service multiplied by the service accrual rate multiplied by the member's average final compensation.²² For most members of the Pension Plan, normal retirement (when first eligible for unreduced benefits) occurs at the earliest attainment of 30 years of service or age 62.²³ For public safety employees in the Special Risk and Special Risk Administrative Support Classes, normal retirement is the earliest of 25 years of service or age 55.²⁴ Members initially enrolled in the Pension Plan on or after July 1, 2011, have longer service requirements. For members initially enrolled after that date, the member must complete 33 years of service or attain age 65, and members in the Special Risk classes must complete 30 years of service or attain age 60.²⁵

Contribution Rates

FRS employers are responsible for contributing a specified percentage of the member's monthly compensation to the Division of Retirement to be distributed into the FRS Contributions Clearing Trust Fund. The employer contribution rate is a blended contribution rate set by statute,

¹⁴ Section 121.591, F.S.

¹⁵ See s. 121.4501(16), F.S.

¹⁶ Pension plan disability retirement benefits, which apply for investment plan members who qualify for disability, compensate an in-line-of-duty disabled member up to 65 percent of the average monthly compensation as of the disability retirement date for special risk class members. Other members may receive up to 42 percent of the member's average monthly compensation for disability retirement benefits. If the disability occurs other than in the line of duty, the monthly benefit may not be less than 25 percent of the average monthly compensation as of the disability retirement date.

Section 121.091(4)(f), F.S.

¹⁷ Section 121.4501(8), F.S.

¹⁸ FLA CONST. art. IV, s. 4.

¹⁹ Section 121.025, F.S.

²⁰ Section 121.021(45)(a), F.S.

²¹ Section 121.021(45)(b), F.S.

²² Section 121.091, F.S.

²³ Section 121.021(29)(a)1., F.S.

²⁴ Section 121.021(29)(b)1., F.S.

²⁵ Sections 121.021(29)(a)2. and (b)2., F.S.

which is the same percentage regardless of whether the member participates in the Pension Plan or the Investment Plan.²⁶ The rate is determined annually based on an actuarial study by the Department of Management Services that calculates the necessary level of funding to support all of the benefit obligations under both FRS retirement plans.

In the annual actuarial valuation of the Florida Retirement System based on July 1, 2017, plan assets and liabilities, Milliman, Inc., the state actuary, determined the following key data relating to the FRS Pension Plan.²⁷

	Valuation Results (in \$ billions)			
	July 1, 2014	July 1, 2015	July 1, 2016	July 1, 2017
Actuarial Liability	\$160.1	\$165.5	\$170.4	\$178.6
Actuarial Value of Assets	\$138.6	\$143.2	\$145.5	\$150.6
Unfunded Actuarial Liability	\$21.5	\$22.3	\$24.9	\$28.0
Funded Percentage (Actuarial Value of Assets/Actuarial Liability)	86.6%	86.5%	85.4%	84.3%

The state actuary determines a rate associated with the normal cost of the Pension Plan (funding the prospective benefits) and a rate necessary to amortize the unfunded actuarial liabilities (UAL) over a 30-year period. The following are the current employer contribution rates²⁸ for each class and the blended rates recommended by the state actuary beginning in July 2018:²⁹

²⁶ Section 121.70(1), F.S.

²⁷ Florida Retirement System Comprehensive Annual Financial Report Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017, at 125.

²⁸ Section 121.71(4) and (5), F.S.

²⁹ Letter to Ms. Elizabeth Stevens, *Re: Blended Proposed Statutory Rates for the 2018-2019 Plan Year Reflecting a Uniform UAL Rate for All Membership Classes and DROP*, dated December 6, 2017 (on file with the Senate Committee on Governmental Accountability and Oversight).

Membership Class	Current Rates Effective July 1, 2017		Recommended Rates to be effective July 1, 2018	
	Normal Cost	UAL Rate	Normal Cost	UAL Rate
Regular Class	2.90%	3.03%	3.04%	3.500%
Special Risk Class	11.86%	9.69%	12.18%	10.60%
Special Risk Administrative Support Class	3.83%	29.80%	3.64%	29.62%
Elected Officer’s Class				
• Legislators, Governor, Lt. Governor, Cabinet Officers, State Attorneys, Public Defenders	6.45%	42.69%	6.65%	48.38%
• Justices and Judges	11.67%	26.25%	12.00%	27.05%
• County Officers	8.54%	35.24%	8.50%	38.48%
Senior Management Service Class	4.29%	16.70%	4.45%	17.89%
Deferred Retirement Option Program	4.17%	7.96%	4.41%	7.96%

For all membership classes, except the DROP and certain members with renewed membership, employees contribute three percent of their compensation towards retirement.³⁰

After employer and employee contributions are placed into the FRS Contributions Clearing Trust Fund, the allocations under the Investment Plan are transferred to third-party administrators to be placed in the employee’s individual investment accounts, whereas contributions under the Pension Plan are transferred into the FRS Trust Fund.³¹

Section 14, Article X of the State Constitution

Since 1976, the State Constitution has required that benefit improvement under public pension plans in the State of Florida must be concurrently funded on a sound actuarial basis as set forth below.

Article X, section 14 of the Florida Constitution provides:

A governmental unit responsible for any retirement or pension system supported in whole or in part by public funds shall not after January 1, 1977, provide any increase in the benefits to the members or beneficiaries of such system unless such unit has made or concurrently makes provision for the funding of the increase in benefits on a sound actuarial basis.

³⁰ Section 121.71(3), F.S.

³¹ See ss. 121.4503 and 121.72(1), F.S.

Florida State Hospital

The Florida State Hospital (hospital) located in Chattahoochee, Florida, is a state psychiatric hospital operated by the Department of Children and Families that provides civil and forensic services.³² Forensic services for persons who are charged with a felony and have been found to be incompetent to proceed with their trial due to mental illness, or who have been acquitted of a felony by reason of insanity are governed by ss. 916.111-916.185, F.S.

The hospital's civil services are comprised of the following three units:

- Civil Admissions evaluates and provides psychiatric services primarily for newly admitted acutely ill male and female civil residents between the ages of 18 and 64;
- Civil Transition Program serves civil residents and individuals previously in a forensic setting who no longer need that level of security and with court approval, may reside in a less restrictive civil environment; and
- Specialty Care Program serves a diverse population of individuals requiring mental health treatment and services, including civil and forensic step downs.

The hospital's forensic services evaluates and treats persons with felony charges who have been adjudicated incompetent to stand trial or not guilty by reason of insanity. Forensic services is comprised of the following two units;

- Forensic Admission is a maximum security facility that assesses new admissions, provides short-term treatment and competency restoration for defendants found incompetent to stand trial, and behavior stabilization for persons committed as not guilty by reason of insanity; and
- Forensic Central provides longer-term treatment and serves a seriously and persistently mentally ill population who are incompetent to proceed or not guilty by reason of insanity.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

Section 1 amends s. 121.0515, F.S., to add specified Florida State Hospital employees to the Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System (FRS).

These employees must be a member of the FRS, spend at least 65 percent of his or her time performing duties that involve contact with patients or inmates at the Florida State Hospital, and be employed in the following job classes:

- Abuse registry counselor (class code 5961).
- Barber/beautician (class codes 6201, 6205, and 6206).
- Behavioral program associate (class codes 5750 and 5762).
- Behavioral program specialist (class codes 5751 and 5763).
- Certified radiologic technologist (class codes 5523, 5524, 5527, and 5528).
- Chaplain (class codes 5819 and 5820).
- Child protective investigator (class code 8371).
- Child protective field support consultant (class code 8374).
- Children, youth, and families counselor (class code 5954).
- Classroom teacher (class codes 4144 and 4147).

³² See <http://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/mental-health/fsh/services-programs> (last visited on Jan. 19, 2018).

- Custodial trainer (class code 6530).
- Custodial worker (class codes 6511 and 6526).
- Dental assistant (class codes 5632 and 5633).
- Dental hygienist (class code 5641).
- Dental technician (class code 5644).
- Dietetic technician (class code 5594).
- Direct services aide (class code 5702).
- Education and training specialist (class code 1328).
- Food control specialist (class code 6217).
- Food support worker (class code 6213).
- Groundskeeper (class code 6394).
- Health support aide (class codes 5504 and 5505).
- Human services counselor (class codes 5934, 5936, 5937, 5940, and 5941).
- Human services program analyst (class code 5871).
- Human services program consultant (class codes 5918, 5919, and 5920).
- Human services program records analyst (class code 5864).
- Human services program specialist (class code 5877).
- Human services worker (class codes 5706, 5709, 5781, and 5784).
- Librarian (class code 4315).
- Librarian specialist (class codes 4318 and 4319).
- Medical laboratory technician (class codes 5047 and 5048).
- Pharmacy technician (class codes 5500 and 5501).
- Rehabilitation therapist (class codes 5562 and 5563).
- Residential unit specialist (class code 5736).
- Senior chaplain (class code 5823).
- Social services counselor (class codes 5953 and 5960).
- Storekeeper (class codes 0918, 0921, and 0922).
- Teacher aide (class codes 4133 and 4142).
- Therapy aide (class codes 5556 and 5557).
- Training specialist (class codes 1322 and 1324).
- Unit treatment and rehab specialist (class codes 5776 and 5791).
- Vocational instructor (class codes 1309, 1310, 1311, 1312, 1313, and 1315).
- Volunteer services center specialist (class code 6000).
- Volunteer services specialist (class code 5997).

Section 2 provides a legislative determination that the bill fulfills an important state interest.

Section 3 appropriates the recurring sums of \$1,263,118 from the General Revenue Fund, \$605,606 from the Federal Grants Trust Fund, and \$70,448 from the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund to the Department of Children and Families to implement the provisions in the act.

Section 4 provides the bill takes effect January 1, 2019.

IV. Constitutional Issues:**A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:**

The mandate restrictions do not apply because the bill does not require counties and municipalities to spend funds, reduce counties' or municipalities' ability to raise revenue, or reduce the percentage of state tax shared with counties and municipalities.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Fiscal Impact Statement:**A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

The bill extends Special Risk Class retirement benefits to certain employed members of specified job classes who perform duties involving contact with patients or inmates at the Florida State Hospital. The Department of Children and Families (DCF) will incur higher retirement contributions to fund these new benefits for employees in the Special Risk Class specified in the bill. There are approximately 1,000 positions affected by the bill. The costs of these new benefits are estimated to be \$1,939,172 (\$1.3 million from the General Revenue Fund and \$676,054 from agency trust funds for Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and \$3,878,344 (\$2.5 million from the General Revenue Fund and \$1.3 million from agency trust funds) annually thereafter. Recurring funds are appropriated from the General Revenue Fund, the Federal Grants Trust Fund, and the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund to the DCF to implement the retirement benefit enhancement.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

The Florida State Hospital (FSH) is one of three DCF mental health treatment facilities, which also include the Northeast Florida State Hospital (NEFSH) and the North Florida Evaluation and

Treatment Center (NFETC). As stated above, the FSH provides civil and forensic services, the NEFSH provides only civil services, and the NFETC only provides forensic services.³³

According to the Department of Management Services, “legal challenges could be filed if the bill becomes law and there are the same positions, duties, and required percentage of inmate contact for members employed by a forensic facility with the Department of Children and Families who are not covered for Special Risk Class participation by this bill. Legal challenges could also be filed for employees in the same position and class code with the same duties and percentage of inmate contact as those covered by this bill who work for agencies other than the Department of Children and Families.”³⁴

In addition, according to the DCF, several job classes specified in the bill are not used at the FSH.³⁵

VIII. Statutes Affected:

This bill substantially amends section 121.0515 of the Florida Statutes.

IX. Additional Information:

- A. **Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:**
(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

Recommended CS by Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government on February 21, 2018:

The committee substitute provides an appropriation to the Department of Children and Families to implement the bill.

- B. **Amendments:**

None.

This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill’s introducer or the Florida Senate.

³³ Department of Children and Families, *Analysis of HB 493* (received February 2, 2018) (on file with the Senate Subcommittee on General Government).

³⁴ Department of Management Services, *Analysis of SB 1758* (February 12, 2018) (on file with the Senate Subcommittee on General Government).

³⁵ Department of Children and Families, *Analysis of HB 493* (received February 2, 2018) (on file with the Senate Subcommittee on General Government). Abuse registry counselor (class code 5961), Child protective investigator (class code 8371) and Child protective field support consultant (class code 8374) are job classes not currently utilized at the FSH.



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Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government (Montford)
recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 310 and 311
insert:

Section 3. For the 2018-2019 fiscal year, the recurring sums of \$1,263,118 from the General Revenue Fund, \$605,606 from the Federal Grants Trust Fund, and \$70,448 from the Operations and Maintenance Trust Fund are appropriated to the Department of Children and Families to implement this act.



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12 And the title is amended as follows:

13 Delete line 6

14 and insert:

15 important state interest; providing appropriations;

16 providing an effective date.

By Senator Montford

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1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Special Risk Class; amending s.
 3 121.0515, F.S.; adding specified Florida State
 4 Hospital employees to the class; conforming cross-
 5 references; declaring that the act fulfills an
 6 important state interest; providing an effective date.
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 8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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 10 Section 1. Paragraph (h) of subsection (2), subsection (3),
 11 and paragraph (d) of subsection (8) of section 121.0515, Florida
 12 Statutes, are amended to read:
 13 121.0515 Special Risk Class.—
 14 (2) MEMBERSHIP.—
 15 (h) Effective August 1, 2008, "special risk member"
 16 includes any member who meets the special criteria for continued
 17 membership set forth in paragraph (3) (k) ~~(3) (j)~~.
 18 (3) CRITERIA.—A member, to be designated as a special risk
 19 member, must meet the following criteria:
 20 (a) Effective October 1, 1978, the member must be employed
 21 as a law enforcement officer and be certified, or required to be
 22 certified, in compliance with s. 943.1395, except that, however,
 23 sheriffs and elected police chiefs are not required to be
 24 certified ~~excluded from meeting the certification requirements~~
 25 ~~of this paragraph~~. In addition, the member's duties and
 26 responsibilities must include the pursuit, apprehension, and
 27 arrest of law violators or suspected law violators; or as of
 28 July 1, 1982, the member must be an active member of a bomb
 29 disposal unit whose primary responsibility is the location,

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30 handling, and disposal of explosive devices; or the member must
 31 be the supervisor or command officer of a member or members who
 32 have such responsibilities. Administrative support personnel,
 33 including, but not limited to, those whose primary duties and
 34 responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing, legal, and
 35 personnel, are not included;
 36 (b) Effective October 1, 1978, the member must be employed
 37 as a firefighter and be certified, or required to be certified,
 38 in compliance with s. 633.408 and be employed solely within the
 39 fire department of a local government employer or an agency of
 40 state government with firefighting responsibilities. In
 41 addition, the member's duties and responsibilities must include
 42 on-the-scene fighting of fires; as of October 1, 2001, fire
 43 prevention or firefighter training; as of October 1, 2001,
 44 direct supervision of firefighting units, fire prevention, or
 45 firefighter training; or as of July 1, 2001, aerial firefighting
 46 surveillance performed by fixed-wing aircraft pilots employed by
 47 the Florida Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture and
 48 Consumer Services; or the member must be the supervisor or
 49 command officer of a member or members who have such
 50 responsibilities. Administrative support personnel, including,
 51 but not limited to, those whose primary duties and
 52 responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing, legal, and
 53 personnel, are not included. All periods of creditable service
 54 in fire prevention or firefighter training, or as the supervisor
 55 or command officer of a member or members who have such
 56 responsibilities, and for which the employer paid the special
 57 risk contribution rate, are included;
 58 (c) Effective October 1, 1978, the member must be employed

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59 as a correctional officer and be certified, or required to be
 60 certified, in compliance with s. 943.1395. In addition, the
 61 member's primary duties and responsibilities must include ~~be~~ the
 62 custody, and physical restraint ~~if when~~ necessary, of prisoners
 63 or inmates within a prison, jail, or other criminal detention
 64 facility, or while on work detail outside the facility, or while
 65 being transported; or as of July 1, 1984, the member must be the
 66 supervisor or command officer of a member or members who have
 67 such responsibilities. Administrative support personnel,
 68 including, but not limited to, those whose primary duties and
 69 responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing, legal, and
 70 personnel, are not included; however, wardens and assistant
 71 wardens, as defined by rule, are included;

72 (d) Effective October 1, 1999, the member must be employed
 73 by a licensed Advance Life Support (ALS) or Basic Life Support
 74 (BLS) employer as an emergency medical technician or a paramedic
 75 and be certified in compliance with s. 401.27. In addition, the
 76 member's primary duties and responsibilities must include on-
 77 the-scene emergency medical care or as of October 1, 2001,
 78 direct supervision of emergency medical technicians or
 79 paramedics, or the member must be the supervisor or command
 80 officer of one or more members who have such responsibility.
 81 Administrative support personnel, including, but not limited to,
 82 those whose primary responsibilities are in accounting,
 83 purchasing, legal, and personnel, are not included;

84 (e) Effective January 1, 2001, the member must be employed
 85 as a community-based correctional probation officer and be
 86 certified, or required to be certified, in compliance with s.
 87 943.1395. In addition, the member's primary duties and

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88 responsibilities must be the supervised custody, surveillance,
 89 control, investigation, and counseling of assigned inmates,
 90 probationers, parolees, or community controllees within the
 91 community; or the member must be the supervisor of a member or
 92 members who have such responsibilities. Administrative support
 93 personnel, including, but not limited to, those whose primary
 94 duties and responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing, legal
 95 services, and personnel management, are not included; however,
 96 probation and parole circuit and deputy circuit administrators
 97 are included;

98 (f) Effective January 1, 2001, the member must be employed
 99 in one of the following classes and must spend at least 75
 100 percent of his or her time performing duties that ~~which~~ involve
 101 contact with patients or inmates in a correctional or forensic
 102 facility or institution:

- 103 1. Dietitian (class codes 5203 and 5204);
- 104 2. Public health nutrition consultant (class code 5224);
- 105 3. Psychological specialist (class codes 5230 and 5231);
- 106 4. Psychologist (class code 5234);
- 107 5. Senior psychologist (class codes 5237 and 5238);
- 108 6. Regional mental health consultant (class code 5240);
- 109 7. Psychological Services Director-DCF (class code 5242);
- 110 8. Pharmacist (class codes 5245 and 5246);
- 111 9. Senior pharmacist (class codes 5248 and 5249);
- 112 10. Dentist (class code 5266);
- 113 11. Senior dentist (class code 5269);
- 114 12. Registered nurse (class codes 5290 and 5291);
- 115 13. Senior registered nurse (class codes 5292 and 5293);
- 116 14. Registered nurse specialist (class codes 5294 and

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117 5295);

118 15. Clinical associate (class codes 5298 and 5299);

119 16. Advanced registered nurse practitioner (class codes

120 5297 and 5300);

121 17. Advanced registered nurse practitioner specialist

122 (class codes 5304 and 5305);

123 18. Registered nurse supervisor (class codes 5306 and

124 5307);

125 19. Senior registered nurse supervisor (class codes 5308

126 and 5309);

127 20. Registered nursing consultant (class codes 5312 and

128 5313);

129 21. Quality management program supervisor (class code

130 5314);

131 22. Executive nursing director (class codes 5320 and 5321);

132 23. Speech and hearing therapist (class code 5406); or

133 24. Pharmacy manager (class code 5251);

134 (g) Effective October 1, 2005, through June 30, 2008, the

135 member must be employed by a law enforcement agency or medical

136 examiner's office in a forensic discipline recognized by the

137 International Association for Identification and must qualify

138 for active membership in the International Association for

139 Identification. The member's primary duties and responsibilities

140 must include the collection, examination, preservation,

141 documentation, preparation, or analysis of physical evidence or

142 testimony, or both, or the member must be the direct supervisor,

143 quality management supervisor, or command officer of one or more

144 individuals with such responsibility. Administrative support

145 personnel, including, but not limited to, those whose primary

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146 responsibilities are clerical or in accounting, purchasing,

147 legal, and personnel, are not included;

148 (h) Effective July 1, 2008, the member must be employed by

149 the Department of Law Enforcement in the crime laboratory or by

150 the Division of State Fire Marshal in the forensic laboratory in

151 one of the following classes:

152 1. Forensic technologist (class code 8459);

153 2. Crime laboratory technician (class code 8461);

154 3. Crime laboratory analyst (class code 8463);

155 4. Senior crime laboratory analyst (class code 8464);

156 5. Crime laboratory analyst supervisor (class code 8466);

157 6. Forensic chief (class code 9602); or

158 7. Forensic services quality manager (class code 9603);

159 (i) Effective July 1, 2008, the member must be employed by

160 a local government law enforcement agency or medical examiner's

161 office and must spend at least 65 percent of his or her time

162 performing duties that involve the collection, examination,

163 preservation, documentation, preparation, or analysis of human

164 tissues or fluids or physical evidence having potential

165 biological, chemical, or radiological hazard or contamination,

166 or use chemicals, processes, or materials that may have

167 carcinogenic or health-damaging properties in the analysis of

168 such evidence, or the member must be the direct supervisor of

169 one or more individuals having such responsibility. If a special

170 risk member changes to another position within the same agency,

171 he or she must submit a complete application as provided in

172 paragraph (4) (a);

173 (j) Effective January 1, 2019, the member must be employed

174 in any of the following classes and must spend at least 65

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175 percent of his or her time performing duties that involve
 176 contact with patients or inmates at Florida State Hospital:
 177 1. Abuse registry counselor (class code 5961).
 178 2. Barber/beautician (class codes 6201, 6205, and 6206).
 179 3. Behavioral program associate (class codes 5750 and
 180 5762).
 181 4. Behavioral program specialist (class codes 5751 and
 182 5763).
 183 5. Certified radiologic technologist (class codes 5523,
 184 5524, 5527, and 5528).
 185 6. Chaplain (class codes 5819 and 5820).
 186 7. Child protective investigator (class code 8371).
 187 8. Child protective field support consultant (class code
 188 8374).
 189 9. Children, youth, and families counselor (class code
 190 5954).
 191 10. Classroom teacher (class codes 4144 and 4147).
 192 11. Custodial trainer (class code 6530).
 193 12. Custodial worker (class codes 6511 and 6526).
 194 13. Dental assistant (class codes 5632 and 5633).
 195 14. Dental hygienist (class code 5641).
 196 15. Dental technician (class code 5644).
 197 16. Dietetic technician (class code 5594).
 198 17. Direct services aide (class code 5702).
 199 18. Education and training specialist (class code 1328).
 200 19. Food control specialist (class code 6217).
 201 20. Food support worker (class code 6213).
 202 21. Groundskeeper (class code 6394).
 203 22. Health support aide (class codes 5504 and 5505).

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204 23. Human services counselor (class codes 5934, 5936, 5937,
 205 5940, and 5941).
 206 24. Human services program analyst (class code 5871).
 207 25. Human services program consultant (class codes 5918,
 208 5919, and 5920).
 209 26. Human services program records analyst (class code
 210 5864).
 211 27. Human services program specialist (class code 5877).
 212 28. Human services worker (class codes 5706, 5709, 5781,
 213 and 5784).
 214 29. Librarian (class code 4315).
 215 30. Librarian specialist (class codes 4318 and 4319).
 216 31. Medical laboratory technician (class codes 5047 and
 217 5048).
 218 32. Pharmacy technician (class codes 5500 and 5501).
 219 33. Rehabilitation therapist (class codes 5562 and 5563).
 220 34. Residential unit specialist (class code 5736).
 221 35. Senior chaplain (class code 5823).
 222 36. Social services counselor (class codes 5953 and 5960).
 223 37. Storekeeper (class codes 0918, 0921, and 0922).
 224 38. Teacher aide (class codes 4133 and 4142).
 225 39. Therapy aide (class codes 5556 and 5557).
 226 40. Training specialist (class codes 1322 and 1324).
 227 41. Unit treatment and rehab specialist (class codes 5776
 228 and 5791).
 229 42. Vocational instructor (class codes 1309, 1310, 1311,
 230 1312, 1313, and 1315).
 231 43. Volunteer services center specialist (class code 6000).
 232 44. Volunteer services specialist (class code 5997); or

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233 ~~(k)(j)~~ The member must have already qualified for and be
 234 actively participating in special risk membership under
 235 paragraph (a), paragraph (b), or paragraph (c), must have
 236 suffered a qualifying injury as defined in this paragraph, must
 237 not be receiving disability retirement benefits as provided in
 238 s. 121.091(4), and must satisfy the requirements of this
 239 paragraph.

240 1. The ability to qualify for the class of membership
 241 defined in paragraph (2) (h) occurs when two licensed medical
 242 physicians, one of whom is a primary treating physician of the
 243 member, certify the existence of the physical injury and medical
 244 condition that constitute a qualifying injury as defined in this
 245 paragraph and ~~that~~ the member has reached maximum medical
 246 improvement after August 1, 2008. The certifications from the
 247 licensed medical physicians must include, at a minimum, that the
 248 injury to the special risk member has resulted in a physical
 249 loss, or loss of use, of at least two of the following: left
 250 arm, right arm, left leg, or right leg; and that:

251 a. The ~~That this~~ physical loss or loss of use is total and
 252 permanent, unless ~~except if~~ the loss of use is due to a physical
 253 injury to the member's brain, in which event the loss of use is
 254 permanent with at least 75 percent loss of motor function with
 255 respect to each arm or leg affected.

256 b. The ~~That this~~ physical loss or loss of use renders the
 257 member physically unable to perform the essential job functions
 258 of his or her special risk position.

259 c. ~~That~~, Notwithstanding this physical loss or loss of use,
 260 the individual can perform the essential job functions required
 261 by the member's new position, as provided in subparagraph 3.

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262 d. ~~That~~ Use of artificial limbs is not possible or does not
 263 alter the member's ability to perform the essential job
 264 functions of the member's position.

265 e. ~~That~~ The physical loss or loss of use is a direct result
 266 of a physical injury and not a result of any mental,
 267 psychological, or emotional injury.

268 2. For the purposes of this paragraph, "qualifying injury"
 269 means an injury sustained in the line of duty, as certified by
 270 the member's employing agency, by a special risk member that
 271 does not result in total and permanent disability as defined in
 272 s. 121.091(4) (b). An injury is a qualifying injury if the injury
 273 is a physical injury to the member's physical body resulting in
 274 a physical loss, or loss of use, of at least two of the
 275 following: left arm, right arm, left leg, or right leg.
 276 Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, an injury
 277 that would otherwise qualify as a qualifying injury is not
 278 ~~considered~~ a qualifying injury if and when the member ceases
 279 employment with the employer for whom he or she was providing
 280 special risk services on the date the injury occurred.

281 3. The new position, as described in sub-subparagraph 1.c.,
 282 which ~~that~~ is required for qualification as a special risk
 283 member under this paragraph is not required to be a position
 284 with essential job functions that entitle an individual to
 285 special risk membership. Whether a new position as described in
 286 sub-subparagraph 1.c. exists and is available to the special
 287 risk member is a decision to be made solely by the employer in
 288 accordance with its hiring practices and applicable law.

289 4. This paragraph does not grant or create additional
 290 rights for any individual to continued employment or to be hired

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291 or rehired by his or her employer that are not already provided
292 ~~by state law within the Florida Statutes~~, the State
293 Constitution, the Americans with Disabilities Act, if
294 applicable, or any other ~~applicable state or~~ federal law.

295 (8) SPECIAL RISK ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT CLASS.—

296 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this subsection,
297 this subsection does not apply to any special risk member who
298 qualifies for continued membership pursuant to paragraph (3) (k)
299 ~~(3) (j)~~.

300 Section 2. The Legislature finds that a proper and
301 legitimate state purpose is served when employees and retirees
302 of the state and its political subdivisions, and the dependents,
303 survivors, and beneficiaries of such employees and retirees, are
304 extended the basic protections afforded by governmental
305 retirement systems. These persons must be provided benefits that
306 are fair and adequate and are managed, administered, and funded
307 in an actuarially sound manner, as required by s. 14, Article X
308 of the State Constitution and part VII of chapter 112, Florida
309 Statutes. Therefore, the Legislature determines and declares
310 that this act fulfills an important state interest.

311 Section 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 2019.

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Topic Special Rpt

Amendment Barcode (if applicable) _____

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Speaking: For Against Information

Waive Speaking: In Support Against
(The Chair will read this information into the record.)

Representing AFSCME

Appearing at request of Chair: Yes No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Yes No

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Topic SPECIAL RISK

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Waive Speaking: In Support Against
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Representing COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA

Appearing at request of Chair: Yes No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Yes No

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Topic Special Risk

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Representing Self

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Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Yes No

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Representing Self

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Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Yes No

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Topic Special Risk Class

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Representing self

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Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Yes No

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Topic Special Risk Class

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Zip

Speaking: For Against Information

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Representing self

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Job Title _____

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Representing Self

Appearing at request of Chair: Yes No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Yes No

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Representing SELF

Appearing at request of Chair: Yes No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Yes No

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Waive Speaking: In Support Against
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Representing MYSELF

Appearing at request of Chair: Yes No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Yes No

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Topic SPECIAL RISK

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Representing SELF

Appearing at request of Chair: Yes No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Yes No

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Special Risk Class

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Speaking:

For

Against

Information

Waive Speaking:

In Support

Against

(The Chair will read this information into the record.)

Representing

Appearing at request of Chair:

Yes

No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature:

Yes

No

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Topic SPECIAL RISK CLASS

Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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Job Title _____

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Speaking: For Against Information

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Representing _____

Appearing at request of Chair: Yes No

Lobbyist registered with Legislature: Yes No

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The Florida Senate
State Senator René García
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February 21, 2018

The Honorable David Simmons
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government
201 The Capitol
404 S. Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100

Dear Senator Simmons,

Please excuse my absence from the Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government meeting for Wednesday, February 21, 2018. I was not able to attend the meeting due to an ongoing constituent matter. Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "René García".

State Senator René García
District 36

CC: Giovanni Betta
Lisa Waddell

Committees: Children, Families, and Elder Affairs, Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Finance and Tax, Vice Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on the Environment and Natural Resources, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, Banking and Insurance, Judiciary, Joint Administrative Procedures Committee.

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4:17:23 PM Kim Smith, Citizen (waives in support)
4:17:36 PM Sen. Simmons
4:19:28 PM Adjourned