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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to the Florida Retirement
System; amending s. 121.021, F.S.; redefining
the term "special risk member" to include
certain public defender investigators;
providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (15) of section
121.021, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

121.021 Definitions.--The following words and phrases
as used in this chapter have the respective meanings set forth
unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context:

(15)(a) Until October 1, 1978, "special risk member"
means any officer or employee whose application is approved by
the administrator and who receives salary payments for work
performed as a peace officer; law enforcement officer; police
officer; highway patrol officer; custodial employee at a
correctional or detention facility; correctional agency
employee whose duties and responsibilities involve direct
contact with inmates, but excluding secretarial and clerical
employees; firefighter; or an employee in any other job in the
field of law enforcement or fire protection if the duties of
such person are certified as hazardous by his or her employer.

(b)1. Effective October 1, 1978, "special risk member"
means a member of the Florida Retirement System who is
designated as a special risk member by the division in
accordance with s. 121.0515. Such member must be employed as
a law enforcement officer, a firefighter, or a correctional

1 officer and must meet certain other special criteria as set
2 forth in s. 121.0515.

3 2. Effective January 1, 1999, the term "special risk
4 member" also includes any member who is employed as a public
5 defender investigator who meets the certification requirements
6 of s. 943.13.

7 Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1 of the
8 year following the year in which it is enacted.

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11 HOUSE SUMMARY

12 Redefines the term "special risk member" for the purposes
13 of the Florida Retirement System to include members of
14 the system who are public defender investigators who meet
15 certification requirements as set forth in s. 943.13,
16 F.S.

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