Bill No. CS for SB 380 Amendment No. 5 CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 The Committee on Ways and Means recommended the following 11 12 amendment: 13 14 Senate Amendment (with title amendment) On page 25, between lines 7 and 8, 15 16 17 insert: Section 12. Section 121.121, Florida Statutes, is 18 amended to read: 19 20 121.121 Future service to include Authorized leaves of 21 absence.--22 (1) A member may purchase creditable service for 23 Future service of any member as defined in s. 121.021(21) shall also include up to 2 work years of creditable service 24 25 for authorized leaves of absence if: 26 (a)(1) The member has completed a minimum of 10 years 27 of creditable service, excluding periods of leave of absence; (b)(2) The leave of absence is authorized in writing 28 29 by the employer of the member and approved by the administrator; 30 31 (c) (3) The member returns to active employment 1 s0380.wm.05 4:55 PM 03/26/98

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performing service with a Florida Retirement System employer in a regularly established position immediately upon termination of the leave of absence and remains on the employer's payroll for 1 calendar month, except that a member who retires on disability while on a medical leave of absence shall not be required to return to employment; and

7 (d) (4) The member makes the required contributions for service credit during the leave of absence, which shall be 8 8 percent until January 1, 1975, and 9 percent thereafter of his 9 10 or her rate of monthly compensation in effect immediately prior to the commencement of such leave for each month of such 11 12 period, plus 4 percent interest until July 1, 1975, and 6.5 13 percent interest thereafter on such contributions, compounded annually each June 30 from the due date of the contribution to 14 15 date of payment. Effective July 1, 1980, any leave of absence 16 purchased pursuant to this section shall be at the 17 contribution rates specified in s. 121.071 in effect at the time the leave is granted for the class of membership from 18 which the leave of absence was granted; however, any member 19 who purchased leave-of-absence credit prior to July 1, 1980, 20 21 for a leave of absence from a position in a class other than the regular membership class, may pay the appropriate 22 additional contributions plus compound interest thereon and 23 24 receive creditable service for such leave of absence in the 25 membership class from which the member was granted the leave 26 of absence. 27 (2) A member who is required to resign his office as a 28 subordinate officer, deputy sheriff, or police officer because he is a candidate for a public office which is currently held 29 30 by his superior officer who is also a candidate for reelection

31 to the same office, in accordance with s. 99.012(5), shall,

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upon return to covered employment, be eligible to purchase retirement credit for the period between his date of resignation and the beginning of the term of office for which he was a candidate as a leave of absence without pay, as provided in subsection (1). (Redesignate subsequent sections.) And the title is amended as follows: On page 2, line 8, after the semicolon insert: amending s. 121.121, F.S.; providing for purchase of retirement credit;