

By Representative Richardson

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Florida Retirement
3 System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; providing
4 eligibility of certain treatment and
5 rehabilitation personnel at correctional or
6 forensic facilities for membership in the
7 Special Risk Class; providing an effective
8 date.

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

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12 Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 121.0515, Florida
13 Statutes, is amended to read:

14 121.0515 Special risk membership.--

15 (2) CRITERIA.--A member, to be designated as a special
16 risk member, must meet the following criteria:

17 (a) The member must be employed as a law enforcement
18 officer and be certified, or required to be certified, in
19 compliance with s. 943.1395; however, sheriffs and elected
20 police chiefs shall be excluded from meeting the certification
21 requirements of this paragraph. In addition, the member's
22 duties and responsibilities must include the pursuit,
23 apprehension, and arrest of law violators or suspected law
24 violators; or the member must be an active member of a bomb
25 disposal unit whose primary responsibility is the location,
26 handling, and disposal of explosive devices; or the member
27 must be the supervisor or command officer of a member or
28 members who have such responsibilities; provided, however,
29 administrative support personnel, including, but not limited
30 to, those whose primary duties and responsibilities are in

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1 accounting, purchasing, legal, and personnel, shall not be
2 included;

3 (b) The member must be employed as a firefighter and
4 be certified, or required to be certified, in compliance with
5 s. 633.35 and be employed solely within the fire department of
6 the employer or agency of state government. In addition, the
7 member's duties and responsibilities must include on-the-scene
8 fighting of fires or direct supervision of firefighting units,
9 or the member must be the supervisor or command officer of a
10 member or members who have such responsibilities; provided,
11 however, administrative support personnel, including, but not
12 limited to, those whose primary duties and responsibilities
13 are in accounting, purchasing, legal, and personnel, shall not
14 be included;

15 (c) The member must be employed as a correctional
16 officer and be certified, or required to be certified, in
17 compliance with s. 943.1395. In addition, the member's
18 primary duties and responsibilities must be the custody, and
19 physical restraint when necessary, of prisoners or inmates
20 within a prison, jail, or other criminal detention facility,
21 or while on work detail outside the facility, or while being
22 transported; or the member must be the supervisor or command
23 officer of a member or members who have such responsibilities;
24 provided, however, administrative support personnel,
25 including, but not limited to, those whose primary duties and
26 responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing, legal, and
27 personnel, shall not be included; however, wardens and
28 assistant wardens, as defined by rule, shall participate in
29 the Special Risk Class;

30 (d) The member must be employed by a licensed Advance
31 Life Support (ALS) or Basic Life Support (BLS) employer as an

1 emergency medical technician or a paramedic and be certified
2 in compliance with s. 401.27. In addition, the member's
3 primary duties and responsibilities must include on-the-scene
4 emergency medical care. However, administrative support
5 personnel, including, but not limited to, those whose primary
6 responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing, legal, and
7 personnel, shall not be included;

8 (e) The member must be employed as a community-based
9 correctional probation officer and be certified, or required
10 to be certified, in compliance with s. 943.1395. In addition,
11 the member's primary duties and responsibilities must be the
12 supervised custody, surveillance, control, investigation, and
13 counseling of assigned inmates, probationers, parolees, or
14 community controllees within the community; or the member must
15 be the supervisor of a member or members who have such
16 responsibilities. Administrative support personnel, including,
17 but not limited to, those whose primary duties and
18 responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing, legal
19 services, and personnel management, shall not be included;
20 however, probation and parole circuit and deputy circuit
21 administrators shall participate in the Special Risk Class; or

22 (f) The member must be employed in one of the
23 following classes and must spend at least 75 percent of his or
24 her time performing duties which involve contact with patients
25 or inmates in a correctional or forensic facility or
26 institution:

- 27 1. Dietitian (class codes 5203 and 5204).
- 28 2. Public health nutrition consultant (class code
29 5224).
- 30 3. Psychological specialist (class codes 5230 and
31 5231).

- 1 4. Psychologist (class code 5234).
- 2 5. Senior psychologist (class codes 5237 and 5238).
- 3 6. Regional mental health consultant (class code
- 4 5240).
- 5 7. Psychological Services Director--DCF (class code
- 6 5242).
- 7 8. Pharmacist (class codes 5245 and 5246).
- 8 9. Senior pharmacist (class codes 5248 and 5249).
- 9 10. Dentist (class code 5266).
- 10 11. Senior dentist (class code 5269).
- 11 12. Registered nurse (class codes 5290 and 5291).
- 12 13. Senior registered nurse (class codes 5292 and
- 13 5293).
- 14 14. Registered nurse specialist (class codes 5294 and
- 15 5295).
- 16 15. Clinical associate (class codes 5298 and 5299).
- 17 16. Advanced registered nurse practitioner (class
- 18 codes 5297 and 5300).
- 19 17. Advanced registered nurse practitioner specialist
- 20 (class codes 5304 and 5305).
- 21 18. Registered nurse supervisor (class codes 5306 and
- 22 5307).
- 23 19. Senior registered nurse supervisor (class codes
- 24 5308 and 5309).
- 25 20. Registered nursing consultant (class codes 5312
- 26 and 5313).
- 27 21. Quality management program supervisor (class code
- 28 5314).
- 29 22. Executive nursing director (class codes 5320 and
- 30 5321).
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- 1 23. Speech and hearing therapist (class code 5406).~~+~~
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3 24. Pharmacy manager (class code 5251).
4 25. Unit treatment and rehabilitation director-F/C
5 (class code 5805).
6 26. Unit treatment and rehabilitation senior
7 supervisor I-F/C (class code 5793).
8 27. Unit treatment and rehabilitation supervisor
9 II-F/C (class code 5796).
10 28. Unit treatment and rehabilitation specialist-F/C
11 (class code 5791).
12 29. Unit treatment and rehabilitation supervisor I-F/C
13 (class code 5786).
14 30. Unit treatment and rehabilitation director (class
15 code 5779).
16 31. Unit treatment and rehabilitation senior
17 supervisor I (class code 5777).
18 32. Unit treatment and rehabilitation senior
19 supervisor II (class code 5778).
20 33. Unit treatment and rehabilitation senior
21 supervisor III (class code 5780).
22 34. Unit treatment and rehabilitation senior
23 supervisor III-F/C (class code 5799).
24 35. Unit treatment and rehabilitation specialist
25 (class code 5776).
26 36. Unit treatment and rehabilitation supervisor I
27 (class code 5710).
28 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.
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SENATE SUMMARY

Makes additional personnel who provide treatment and rehabilitation services at correctional or forensic facilities eligible for membership in the Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System.