

By Representative Bilirakis

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to retiree health insurance;
 3 amending s. 112.363, F.S.; revising the minimum
 4 and maximum retiree health insurance subsidies;
 5 revising the contribution paid by employers of
 6 members of state-administered retirement plans;
 7 providing effective dates.

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

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 11 Section 1. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section
 12 112.363, Florida Statutes, is amended, paragraph (f) is added
 13 to said subsection, and paragraph (g) is added to subsection
 14 (8) of said section, to read:

15 112.363 Retiree health insurance subsidy.--
 16 (3) RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE SUBSIDY AMOUNT.--
 17 (d) Beginning January 1, 1999, each eligible retiree
 18 or, if the retiree is deceased, his or her beneficiary who is
 19 receiving a monthly benefit from such retiree's account and
 20 who is a spouse, or a person who meets the definition of joint
 21 annuitant in s. 121.021(28), shall receive a monthly retiree
 22 health insurance subsidy payment equal to the number of years
 23 of creditable service, as defined in s. 121.021(17), completed
 24 at the time of retirement multiplied by \$5; however, no
 25 eligible retiree or such beneficiary may receive a subsidy
 26 payment of more than \$150 or less than \$50, except that,
 27 effective July 1, 2002, the minimum payment will be \$30. If
 28 there are multiple beneficiaries, the total payment must not
 29 be greater than the payment to which the retiree was entitled.
 30 (f) Beginning January 1, 2003, each eligible retiree
 31 or, if the retiree is deceased, his or her beneficiary who is

1 receiving a monthly benefit from such retiree's account and
2 who is a spouse, or a person who meets the definition of joint
3 annuitant in s. 121.021(28), shall receive a monthly retiree
4 health insurance subsidy payment equal to the number of years
5 of creditable service, as defined in s. 121.021(17), completed
6 at the time of retirement multiplied by \$10, if the retiree or
7 beneficiary is less than age 65, and multiplied by \$6.67, if
8 the retiree or beneficiary is age 65 or older; however, an
9 eligible retiree or beneficiary may not receive a subsidy
10 payment of more than \$300 if less than 65 years of age and may
11 not receive a subsidy payment of more than \$200 if age 65 or
12 older. If there are multiple beneficiaries, the total payment
13 may not be greater than the payment to which the retiree was
14 entitled.

15 (8) CONTRIBUTIONS.--For purposes of funding the
16 insurance subsidy provided by this section:

17 (g) Beginning July 1, 2002, the employer of each
18 member of a state-administered retirement plan shall
19 contribute percent of gross compensation each pay period.

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21 Such contributions shall be submitted to the Department of
22 Management Services and deposited in the Retiree Health
23 Insurance Subsidy Trust Fund.

24 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002.
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HOUSE SUMMARY

Changes the minimum retiree health insurance subsidy to conform to the change in requirements for eligibility for retirement under the Florida Retirement System. Increases the formula for calculating the subsidy, effective January 1, 2003, to \$10 a month for each year of creditable service up to age 65 and \$6.67 a month for each year of creditable service for retirees that age and older, with the maximum of \$300 a month for retirees up to age 65 and \$200 a month for retirees 65 and older.