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Senator Sanderson moved the following **amendment to amendment**
(790490):

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 79, line 23, through
page 82, line 29, delete those lines

and insert:

Section 16. Paragraph (b) of subsection (9) and
paragraph (b) of subsection (13) of section 121.091, Florida
Statutes, are amended to read:

121.091 Benefits payable under the system.--Benefits
may not be paid under this section unless the member has
terminated employment as provided in s. 121.021(39)(a) or
begun participation in the Deferred Retirement Option Program
as provided in subsection (13), and a proper application has
been filed in the manner prescribed by the department. The
department may cancel an application for retirement benefits
when the member or beneficiary fails to timely provide the
information and documents required by this chapter and the
department's rules. The department shall adopt rules

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1 establishing procedures for application for retirement
2 benefits and for the cancellation of such application when the
3 required information or documents are not received.

4 (9) EMPLOYMENT AFTER RETIREMENT; LIMITATION.--

5 (b)1. Any person who is retired under this chapter,
6 except under the disability retirement provisions of
7 subsection (4), may be reemployed by any private or public
8 employer after retirement and receive retirement benefits and
9 compensation from his or her employer without any limitations,
10 except that a person may not receive both a salary from
11 reemployment with any agency participating in the Florida
12 Retirement System and retirement benefits under this chapter
13 for a period of 12 months immediately subsequent to the date
14 of retirement. However, a DROP participant shall continue
15 employment and receive a salary during the period of
16 participation in the Deferred Retirement Option Program, as
17 provided in subsection (13).

18 2. Any person to whom the limitation in subparagraph
19 1. applies who violates such reemployment limitation and who
20 is reemployed with any agency participating in the Florida
21 Retirement System before completion of the 12-month limitation
22 period shall give timely notice of this fact in writing to the
23 employer and to the division and shall have his or her
24 retirement benefits suspended for the balance of the 12-month
25 limitation period. Any person employed in violation of this
26 paragraph and any employing agency which knowingly employs or
27 appoints such person without notifying the Division of
28 Retirement to suspend retirement benefits shall be jointly and
29 severally liable for reimbursement to the retirement trust
30 fund of any benefits paid during the reemployment limitation
31 period. To avoid liability, such employing agency shall have

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1 a written statement from the retiree that he or she is not
2 retired from a state-administered retirement system. Any
3 retirement benefits received while reemployed during this
4 reemployment limitation period shall be repaid to the
5 retirement trust fund, and retirement benefits shall remain
6 suspended until such repayment has been made. Benefits
7 suspended beyond the reemployment limitation shall apply
8 toward repayment of benefits received in violation of the
9 reemployment limitation.

10 3. A district school board may reemploy a retired
11 member as a substitute or hourly teacher, education
12 paraprofessional, transportation assistant, bus driver, or
13 food service worker on a noncontractual basis after he or she
14 has been retired for 1 calendar month, in accordance with s.
15 121.021(39). Any retired member who is reemployed within 1
16 calendar month after retirement shall void his or her
17 application for retirement benefits. District school boards
18 reemploying such teachers, education paraprofessionals,
19 transportation assistants, bus drivers, or food service
20 workers are subject to the retirement contribution required by
21 subparagraph 7. Reemployment of a retired member as a
22 substitute or hourly teacher, education paraprofessional,
23 transportation assistant, bus driver, or food service worker
24 is limited to 780 hours during the first 12 months of his or
25 her retirement. Any retired member reemployed for more than
26 780 hours during his or her first 12 months of retirement
27 shall give timely notice in writing to the employer and to the
28 division of the date he or she will exceed the limitation.
29 The division shall suspend his or her retirement benefits for
30 the remainder of the first 12 months of retirement. Any
31 person employed in violation of this subparagraph and any

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1 employing agency which knowingly employs or appoints such
2 person without notifying the Division of Retirement to suspend
3 retirement benefits shall be jointly and severally liable for
4 reimbursement to the retirement trust fund of any benefits
5 paid during the reemployment limitation period. To avoid
6 liability, such employing agency shall have a written
7 statement from the retiree that he or she is not retired from
8 a state-administered retirement system. Any retirement
9 benefits received by a retired member while reemployed in
10 excess of 780 hours during the first 12 months of retirement
11 shall be repaid to the Retirement System Trust Fund, and his
12 or her retirement benefits shall remain suspended until
13 repayment is made. Benefits suspended beyond the end of the
14 retired member's first 12 months of retirement shall apply
15 toward repayment of benefits received in violation of the
16 780-hour reemployment limitation.

17 4. A community college board of trustees may reemploy
18 a retired member as an adjunct instructor, that is, an
19 instructor who is noncontractual and part-time, or as a
20 participant in a phased retirement program within the Florida
21 Community College System, after he or she has been retired for
22 1 calendar month, in accordance with s. 121.021(39). Any
23 retired member who is reemployed within 1 calendar month after
24 retirement shall void his or her application for retirement
25 benefits. Boards of trustees reemploying such instructors are
26 subject to the retirement contribution required in
27 subparagraph 7. A retired member may be reemployed as an
28 adjunct instructor for no more than 780 hours during the first
29 12 months of retirement. Any retired member reemployed for
30 more than 780 hours during the first 12 months of retirement
31 shall give timely notice in writing to the employer and to the

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1 division of the date he or she will exceed the limitation.
2 The division shall suspend his or her retirement benefits for
3 the remainder of the first 12 months of retirement. Any
4 person employed in violation of this subparagraph and any
5 employing agency which knowingly employs or appoints such
6 person without notifying the Division of Retirement to suspend
7 retirement benefits shall be jointly and severally liable for
8 reimbursement to the retirement trust fund of any benefits
9 paid during the reemployment limitation period. To avoid
10 liability, such employing agency shall have a written
11 statement from the retiree that he or she is not retired from
12 a state-administered retirement system. Any retirement
13 benefits received by a retired member while reemployed in
14 excess of 780 hours during the first 12 months of retirement
15 shall be repaid to the Retirement System Trust Fund, and
16 retirement benefits shall remain suspended until repayment is
17 made. Benefits suspended beyond the end of the retired
18 member's first 12 months of retirement shall apply toward
19 repayment of benefits received in violation of the 780-hour
20 reemployment limitation.

21 5. The State University System may reemploy a retired
22 member as an adjunct faculty member or as a participant in a
23 phased retirement program within the State University System
24 after the retired member has been retired for 1 calendar
25 month, in accordance with s. 121.021(39). Any retired member
26 who is reemployed within 1 calendar month after retirement
27 shall void his or her application for retirement benefits.
28 The State University System is subject to the retired
29 contribution required in subparagraph 7., as appropriate. A
30 retired member may be reemployed as an adjunct faculty member
31 or a participant in a phased retirement program for no more

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1 than 780 hours during the first 12 months of his or her
2 retirement. Any retired member reemployed for more than 780
3 hours during the first 12 months of retirement shall give
4 timely notice in writing to the employer and to the division
5 of the date he or she will exceed the limitation. The
6 division shall suspend his or her retirement benefits for the
7 remainder of the first 12 months of retirement. Any person
8 employed in violation of this subparagraph and any employing
9 agency which knowingly employs or appoints such person without
10 notifying the Division of Retirement to suspend retirement
11 benefits shall be jointly and severally liable for
12 reimbursement to the retirement trust fund of any benefits
13 paid during the reemployment limitation period. To avoid
14 liability, such employing agency shall have a written
15 statement from the retiree that he or she is not retired from
16 a state-administered retirement system. Any retirement
17 benefits received by a retired member while reemployed in
18 excess of 780 hours during the first 12 months of retirement
19 shall be repaid to the Retirement System Trust Fund, and
20 retirement benefits shall remain suspended until repayment is
21 made. Benefits suspended beyond the end of the retired
22 member's first 12 months of retirement shall apply toward
23 repayment of benefits received in violation of the 780-hour
24 reemployment limitation.

25 6. The Board of Trustees of the Florida School for the
26 Deaf and the Blind may reemploy a retired member as a
27 substitute teacher, substitute residential instructor, or
28 substitute nurse on a noncontractual basis after he or she has
29 been retired for 1 calendar month, in accordance with s.
30 121.021(39). Any retired member who is reemployed within 1
31 calendar month after retirement shall void his or her

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1 application for retirement benefits. The Board of Trustees of
2 the Florida School for the Deaf and the Blind reemploying such
3 teachers, residential instructors, or nurses is subject to the
4 retirement contribution required by subparagraph 7.
5 Reemployment of a retired member as a substitute teacher,
6 substitute residential instructor, or substitute nurse is
7 limited to 780 hours during the first 12 months of his or her
8 retirement. Any retired member reemployed for more than 780
9 hours during the first 12 months of retirement shall give
10 timely notice in writing to the employer and to the division
11 of the date he or she will exceed the limitation. The division
12 shall suspend his or her retirement benefits for the remainder
13 of the first 12 months of retirement. Any person employed in
14 violation of this subparagraph and any employing agency which
15 knowingly employs or appoints such person without notifying
16 the Division of Retirement to suspend retirement benefits
17 shall be jointly and severally liable for reimbursement to the
18 retirement trust fund of any benefits paid during the
19 reemployment limitation period. To avoid liability, such
20 employing agency shall have a written statement from the
21 retiree that he or she is not retired from a
22 state-administered retirement system. Any retirement benefits
23 received by a retired member while reemployed in excess of 780
24 hours during the first 12 months of retirement shall be repaid
25 to the Retirement System Trust Fund, and his or her retirement
26 benefits shall remain suspended until payment is made.
27 Benefits suspended beyond the end of the retired member's
28 first 12 months of retirement shall apply toward repayment of
29 benefits received in violation of the 780-hour reemployment
30 limitation.

31 7. The employment by an employer of any retiree or

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1 DROP participant of any state-administered retirement system
2 shall have no effect on the average final compensation or
3 years of creditable service of the retiree or DROP
4 participant. Prior to July 1, 1991, upon employment of any
5 person, other than an elected officer as provided in s.
6 121.053, who has been retired under any state-administered
7 retirement program, the employer shall pay retirement
8 contributions in an amount equal to the unfunded actuarial
9 liability portion of the employer contribution which would be
10 required for regular members of the Florida Retirement System.
11 Effective July 1, 1991, contributions shall be made as
12 provided in s. 121.122 for retirees with renewed membership or
13 subsection (13) with respect to DROP participants.

14 8. Any person who has previously retired and who is
15 holding an elective public office or an appointment to an
16 elective public office eligible for the Elected Officers'
17 Class on or after July 1, 1990, shall be enrolled in the
18 Florida Retirement System as provided in s. 121.053(1)(b) or,
19 if holding an elective public office that does not qualify for
20 the Elected Officers' Class on or after July 1, 1991, shall be
21 enrolled in the Florida Retirement System as provided in s.
22 121.122, and shall continue to receive retirement benefits as
23 well as compensation for the elected officer's service for as
24 long as he or she remains in elective office. However, any
25 retired member who served in an elective office prior to July
26 1, 1990, suspended his or her retirement benefit, and had his
27 or her Florida Retirement System membership reinstated shall,
28 upon retirement from such office, have his or her retirement
29 benefit recalculated to include the additional service and
30 compensation earned.

31 9. Any person who is holding an elective public office

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1 which is covered by the Florida Retirement System and who is
2 concurrently employed in nonelected covered employment may
3 elect to retire while continuing employment in the elective
4 public office, provided that he or she shall be required to
5 terminate his or her nonelected covered employment. Any
6 person who exercises this election shall receive his or her
7 retirement benefits in addition to the compensation of the
8 elective office without regard to the time limitations
9 otherwise provided in this subsection. No person who seeks to
10 exercise the provisions of this subparagraph, as the same
11 existed prior to May 3, 1984, shall be deemed to be retired
12 under those provisions, unless such person is eligible to
13 retire under the provisions of this subparagraph, as amended
14 by chapter 84-11, Laws of Florida.

15 10. The limitations of this paragraph apply to
16 reemployment in any capacity with an "employer" as defined in
17 s. 121.021(10), irrespective of the category of funds from
18 which the person is compensated.

19 11. An employing agency may reemploy a retired member
20 as a firefighter or paramedic after the retired member has
21 been retired for 1 calendar month, in accordance with s.
22 121.021(39). Any retired member who is reemployed within 1
23 calendar month after retirement shall void his or her
24 application for retirement benefits. The employing agency
25 reemploying such firefighter or paramedic is subject to the
26 retired contribution required in subparagraph 8. Reemployment
27 of a retired firefighter or paramedic is limited to no more
28 than 780 hours during the first 12 months of his or her
29 retirement. Any retired member reemployed for more than 780
30 hours during the first 12 months of retirement shall give
31 timely notice in writing to the employer and to the division

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1 of the date he or she will exceed the limitation. The division
2 shall suspend his or her retirement benefits for the remainder
3 of the first 12 months of retirement. Any person employed in
4 violation of this subparagraph and any employing agency which
5 knowingly employs or appoints such person without notifying
6 the Division of Retirement to suspend retirement benefits
7 shall be jointly and severally liable for reimbursement to the
8 Retirement System Trust Fund of any benefits paid during the
9 reemployment limitation period. To avoid liability, such
10 employing agency shall have a written statement from the
11 retiree that he or she is not retired from a
12 state-administered retirement system. Any retirement benefits
13 received by a retired member while reemployed in excess of 780
14 hours during the first 12 months of retirement shall be repaid
15 to the Retirement System Trust Fund, and retirement benefits
16 shall remain suspended until repayment is made. Benefits
17 suspended beyond the end of the retired member's first 12
18 months of retirement shall apply toward repayment of benefits
19 received in violation of the 780-hour reemployment limitation.

20 (13) DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PROGRAM.--In general,
21 and subject to the provisions of this section, the Deferred
22 Retirement Option Program, hereinafter referred to as the
23 DROP, is a program under which an eligible member of the
24 Florida Retirement System may elect to participate, deferring
25 receipt of retirement benefits while continuing employment
26 with his or her Florida Retirement System employer. The
27 deferred monthly benefits shall accrue in the System Trust
28 Fund on behalf of the participant, plus interest compounded
29 monthly, for the specified period of the DROP participation,
30 as provided in paragraph (c). Upon termination of employment,
31 the participant shall receive the total DROP benefits and

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1 begin to receive the previously determined normal retirement
2 benefits. Participation in the DROP does not guarantee
3 employment for the specified period of DROP.

4 (b) Participation in the DROP.--

5 1. An eligible member may elect to participate in the
6 DROP for a period not to exceed a maximum of 60 calendar
7 months immediately following the date on which the member
8 first reaches his or her normal retirement date or the date to
9 which he or she is eligible to defer his or her election to
10 participate as provided in subparagraph (a)2. However, a
11 member who has reached normal retirement date prior to the
12 effective date of the DROP shall be eligible to participate in
13 the DROP for a period of time not to exceed 60 calendar months
14 immediately following the effective date of the DROP, except a
15 member of the Special Risk Class who has reached normal
16 retirement date prior to the effective date of the DROP and
17 whose total accrued value exceeds 75 percent of average final
18 compensation as of his or her effective date of retirement
19 shall be eligible to participate in the DROP for no more than
20 36 calendar months immediately following the effective date of
21 the DROP.

22 2. Upon deciding to participate in the DROP, the
23 member shall submit, on forms required by the division:

24 a. A written election to participate in the DROP;
25 b. Selection of the DROP participation and termination
26 dates, which satisfy the limitations stated in paragraph (a)
27 and subparagraph 1. Such termination date shall be in a
28 binding letter of resignation with the employer, establishing
29 a deferred termination date. The member may change the
30 termination date within the limitations of subparagraph 1.,
31 but only with the written approval of his or her employer;

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1 c. A properly completed DROP application for service
2 retirement as provided in this section; and

3 d. Any other information required by the division.

4 3. The DROP participant shall be a retiree under the
5 Florida Retirement System for all purposes, except for
6 paragraph (5)(f) and subsection (9) and ss. 112.3173, 112.363,
7 121.053, and 121.122. However, participation in the DROP does
8 not alter the participant's employment status and such
9 employee shall not be deemed retired from employment until his
10 or her deferred resignation is effective and termination
11 occurs as provided in s. 121.021(39).

12 4. Elected officers shall be eligible to participate
13 in the DROP subject to the following:

14 a. An elected officer who reaches normal retirement
15 date during a term of office may defer the election to
16 participate in the DROP until the next succeeding term in that
17 office. Such elected officer who exercises this option may
18 participate in the DROP for up to 60 calendar months or a
19 period of no longer than such succeeding term of office,
20 whichever is less.

21 b. An elected or a nonelected participant may run for
22 a term of office while participating in DROP and, if elected,
23 extend the DROP termination date accordingly, except, however,
24 if such additional term of office exceeds the 60-month
25 limitation established in subparagraph 1., and the officer
26 does not resign from office within such 60-month limitation,
27 the retirement and the participant's DROP shall be null and
28 void as provided in sub-subparagraph (c)5.d.

29 c. An elected officer who is dually employed and
30 elects to participate in DROP shall be required to satisfy the
31 definition of termination within the 60-month limitation

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1 period as provided in subparagraph 1. for the nonelected
2 position and may continue employment as an elected officer as
3 provided in s. 121.053. The elected officer will be enrolled
4 as a renewed member in the Elected Officers' Class or the
5 Regular Class, as provided in ss. 121.053 and 121.22, on the
6 first day of the month after termination of employment in the
7 nonelected position and termination of DROP. Distribution of
8 the DROP benefits shall be made as provided in paragraph (c).

9 ~~d. An elected officer who is elected or appointed to~~
10 ~~an elective office is not subject to termination limitations~~
11 ~~as provided in chapter 121.~~

12 Section 17. Subsections (2) and (9) of section
13 121.0515, Florida Statutes, are 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
31 accounting, purchasing, legal, and personnel, shall not be

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1 included;

2 (b) The member must be employed as a firefighter and
3 be certified, or required to be certified, in compliance with
4 s. 633.35 and be employed solely within the fire department of
5 a local government employer or an agency of state government
6 with firefighting responsibilities. In addition, the member's
7 duties and responsibilities must include on-the-scene fighting
8 of fires, fire prevention, or firefighter training; direct
9 supervision of firefighting units, fire prevention, or
10 firefighter training; or aerial firefighting surveillance
11 performed by fixed-wing aircraft pilots employed by the
12 Division of Forestry of the Department of Agriculture and
13 Consumer Services; or the member must be the supervisor or
14 command officer of a member or members who have such
15 responsibilities; provided, however, administrative support
16 personnel, including, but not limited to, those whose primary
17 duties and responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing,
18 legal, and personnel, shall not be included and further
19 provided that all periods of creditable service in fire
20 prevention or firefighter training, or as the supervisor or
21 command officer of a member or members who have such
22 responsibilities, and for which the employer paid the special
23 risk contribution rate, shall be included;

24 (c) The member must be employed as a correctional
25 officer and be certified, or required to be certified, in
26 compliance with s. 943.1395. In addition, the member's
27 primary duties and responsibilities must be the custody, and
28 physical restraint when necessary, of prisoners or inmates
29 within a prison, jail, or other criminal detention facility,
30 or while on work detail outside the facility, or while being
31 transported; or the member must be the supervisor or command

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1 officer of a member or members who have such responsibilities;
2 provided, however, administrative support personnel,
3 including, but not limited to, those whose primary duties and
4 responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing, legal, and
5 personnel, shall not be included; however, wardens and
6 assistant wardens, as defined by rule, shall participate in
7 the Special Risk Class;

8 (d) The member must be employed by a licensed Advance
9 Life Support (ALS) or Basic Life Support (BLS) employer as an
10 emergency medical technician or a paramedic and be certified
11 in compliance with s. 401.27. In addition, the member's
12 primary duties and responsibilities must include on-the-scene
13 emergency medical care or direct supervision of emergency
14 medical technicians or paramedics, or the member must be the
15 supervisor or command officer of one or more members who have
16 such responsibility. However, administrative support
17 personnel, including, but not limited to, those whose primary
18 responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing, legal, and
19 personnel, shall not be included;

20 (e) The member must be employed as a community-based
21 correctional probation officer and be certified, or required
22 to be certified, in compliance with s. 943.1395. In addition,
23 the member's primary duties and responsibilities must be the
24 supervised custody, surveillance, control, investigation, and
25 counseling of assigned inmates, probationers, parolees, or
26 community controllees within the community; or the member must
27 be the supervisor of a member or members who have such
28 responsibilities. Administrative support personnel, including,
29 but not limited to, those whose primary duties and
30 responsibilities are in accounting, purchasing, legal
31 services, and personnel management, shall not be included;

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1 however, probation and parole circuit and deputy circuit
2 administrators shall participate in the Special Risk Class; or
3 (f) The member must be employed in one of the
4 following classes and must spend at least 75 percent of his or
5 her time performing duties which involve contact with patients
6 or inmates in a correctional or forensic facility or
7 institution:

- 8 1. Dietitian (class codes 5203 and 5204).
- 9 2. Public health nutrition consultant (class code
10 5224).
- 11 3. Psychological specialist (class codes 5230 and
12 5231).
- 13 4. Psychologist (class code 5234).
- 14 5. Senior psychologist (class codes 5237 and 5238).
- 15 6. Regional mental health consultant (class code
16 5240).
- 17 7. Psychological Services Director--DCF (class code
18 5242).
- 19 8. Pharmacist (class codes 5245 and 5246).
- 20 9. Senior pharmacist (class codes 5248 and 5249).
- 21 10. Dentist (class code 5266).
- 22 11. Senior dentist (class code 5269).
- 23 12. Registered nurse (class codes 5290 and 5291).
- 24 13. Senior registered nurse (class codes 5292 and
25 5293).
- 26 14. Registered nurse specialist (class codes 5294 and
27 5295).
- 28 15. Clinical associate (class codes 5298 and 5299).
- 29 16. Advanced registered nurse practitioner (class
30 codes 5297 and 5300).
- 31 17. Advanced registered nurse practitioner specialist

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1 (class codes 5304 and 5305).

2 18. Registered nurse supervisor (class codes 5306 and
3 5307).

4 19. Senior registered nurse supervisor (class codes
5 5308 and 5309).

6 20. Registered nursing consultant (class codes 5312
7 and 5313).

8 21. Quality management program supervisor (class code
9 5314).

10 22. Executive nursing director (class codes 5320 and
11 5321).

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

13 24. Pharmacy manager (class code 5251).

14 (g) The member must be employed as a youth custody
15 officer and be certified, or required to be certified, in
16 compliance with s. 943.1395. In addition, the member's primary
17 duties and responsibilities must be the supervised custody,
18 surveillance, control, investigation, apprehension, arrest,
19 and counseling of assigned juveniles within the community.

20 (9) CREDIT FOR UPGRADED SERVICE.--

21 (a) Any member of the Special Risk Class who has
22 earned creditable service in another membership class of the
23 Florida Retirement System as an emergency medical technician
24 or paramedic, which service is within the purview of the
25 Special Risk Class, may purchase additional retirement credit
26 to upgrade such service to Special Risk Class service, to the
27 extent of the percentages of the member's average final
28 compensation provided in s. 121.091(1)(a)2. Contributions for
29 upgrading such service to Special Risk Class credit under this
30 subsection shall be equal to the difference in the
31 contributions paid and the Special Risk Class contribution

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1 rate as a percentage of gross salary in effect for the period
2 being claimed, plus interest thereon at the rate of 6.5
3 percent a year, compounded annually until the date of payment.
4 This service credit may be purchased by the employer on behalf
5 of the member.

6 (b) Any member of the Special Risk Class who has
7 earned creditable service in another membership class of the
8 Florida Retirement System whose responsibilities included fire
9 prevention or firefighter training, which service is within
10 the purview of the Special Risk Class, may purchase additional
11 retirement credit to upgrade such service to Special Risk
12 Class service, to the extent of the percentages of the
13 member's average final compensation provided in s.
14 121.091(1)(a)2. Contributions for upgrading such service to
15 Special Risk Class credit under this subsection shall be equal
16 to the difference in the contributions paid and the Special
17 Risk Class contribution rate as a percentage of gross salary
18 in effect for the period being claimed, plus interest thereon
19 at the rate of 6.5 percent a year, compounded annually until
20 the date of payment. This service credit may be purchased by
21 the employer on behalf of the member.

22 Section 18. It is the intent of the Legislature that
23 any additional cost attributable to the upgrade in the
24 retirement benefits for special risk members who have provided
25 fire prevention or firefighter training above the
26 contributions paid at the time of service shall be funded by
27 recognition of the necessary amount from the excess actuarial
28 assets of the Florida Retirement System Trust Fund.

29
30 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)
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2 And the title is amended as follows:

3 On page 86, line 15, after the semicolon,

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5 insert:

6 amending s. 121.091, F.S.; authorizing an
7 employing agency to reemploy a retired member
8 as a firefighter or paramedic after a specified
9 period; eliminating an exemption from
10 termination limitations provided for elected
11 officers; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; providing
12 for including service in fire prevention or
13 firefighter training as creditable service;
14 authorizing certain employees to purchase
15 additional retirement credit; providing
16 legislative intent with respect to funding
17 retirement benefits;

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