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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.; authorizing certain employees to purchase additional retirement credit to upgrade prior service to Special Risk Class service; providing for the calculation of contributions for such service upgrade; authorizing the employer to purchase such additional credit for the employee; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (c) is added to subsection (9) of section 121.0515, Florida Statutes, to read:

121.0515 Special risk membership.--

- (9) CREDIT FOR UPGRADED SERVICE. --
- (c) Any member of the Special Risk Class who has earned creditable service in another membership class of the Florida Retirement System as a community-based correctional probation officer, which service is within the purview of the Special Risk Class, may purchase additional retirement credit to upgrade such service to Special Risk Class service, to the extent of the percentages of the member's average final compensation provided in s. 121.091(1)(a)2. Contributions for upgrading such service to Special Risk Class credit under this subsection shall be equal to the difference in the contributions paid and the Special Risk Class contribution rate as a percentage of gross salary in effect for the period being claimed, plus interest thereon at the rate of 6.5 percent a year, compounded annually until the date of payment. Such purchased service credits shall,

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for purposes of s. 121.091, apply toward satisfaction of the

special risk normal retirement date, as defined in s.

121.021(29)(b). This service credit may be purchased by the
employer on behalf of the member.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.