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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 as a community-based correctional probation officer to Special Risk Class service; providing for the calculation of contributions for such service upgrade; providing that purchased credit shall be used to satisfy the member's normal retirement date; authorizing the employer to purchase such additional credit for the employee; providing an effective date.

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

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

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121.0515 Special risk membership.--

18 19 (9) CREDIT FOR UPGRADED SERVICE.--(c) Any member of the Special Risk Class who has earned

20 creditable service in another membership class of the Florida
21 Retirement System as a community-based correctional probation
22 officer certified in compliance with s. 943.10(3), which service
23 is within the purview of the Special Risk Class, may purchase
24 additional retirement credit to upgrade such service to Special

additional retirement credit to upgrade such service to Special Risk Class service, to the extent of the percentages of the

26 member's average final compensation as provided in s.

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121.091(1)(a)2. Contributions for upgrading such service to

28 Special Risk Class credit under this paragraph shall be equal to

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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 service credits shall, for purposes of s. 121.091, apply toward satisfaction of the special risk normal retirement date, as provided 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 law.