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	CHAMBER ACTION
	Senate House
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1	Representative Attkisson offered the following:
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3	Amendment (with title amendment)
4	On page 1, between lines 26 and 27, insert:
5	Section 1. Section 112.0801, Florida Statutes, is amended
6	to read:
7	112.0801 Group insurance; participation by retired
8	employees
9	(1) Any state agency, county, municipality, special
10	district, community college, or district school board which
11	provides life, health, accident, hospitalization, or annuity
12	insurance, or all of any kinds of such insurance, for its
13	officers and employees and their dependents upon a group
14	insurance plan or self-insurance plan shall allow all former
15	personnel who have retired prior to October 1, 1987, as well as
16	those who retire on or after such date, and their eligible
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dependents, the option of continuing to participate in such 17 group insurance plan or self-insurance plan. Retirees and their 18 eligible dependents shall be offered the same health and 19 hospitalization insurance coverage as is offered to active 20 21 employees at a premium cost of no more than the premium cost applicable to active employees. For the retired employees and 22 23 their eligible dependents, the cost of any such continued participation in any type of plan or any of the cost thereof may 24 be paid by the employer or by the retired employees. To 25 26 determine health and hospitalization plan costs, the employer shall commingle the claims experience of the retiree group with 27 28 the claims experience of the active employees; and, for other types of coverage, the employer may commingle the claims 29 30 experience of the retiree group with the claims experience of active employees. Retirees covered under Medicare may be 31 experience-rated separately from the retirees not covered by 32 Medicare and from active employees, provided that the total 33 premium does not exceed that of the active group and coverage is 34 basically the same as for the active group. 35

(2) For purposes of this section, "retiree" means any 36 37 officer or employee who retires under a state retirement system or a state optional annuity or retirement program or is placed 38 39 on disability retirement and who begins receiving retirement benefits immediately after retirement from employment. In 40 addition to these requirements, any officer or employee who 41 42 retires under the Public Employee Optional Retirement Program established under part II of chapter 121 shall be considered a 43

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44	"retired officer or employee" or "retiree" as used in this
45	section if he or she:
46	(a) Meets the age and service requirements to qualify for
47	normal retirement as set forth in s. 121.021(29); or
48	(b) Has attained the age specified by s. 72(t)(2)(A)(i) of
49	the Internal Revenue Code and has 6 years of creditable service.
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51	====== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========
52	On page 1, lines 2 and 3,
53	remove: all of said lines
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55	and insert:
56	An act relating to retirement; amending s. 112.0801, F.S.;
57	providing a definition for the term "retiree" for purposes of
58	participation in group insurance; creating s. 121.047, F.S.;
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