By Senator Crist

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An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.055, F.S.; authorizing certain positions in the offices of the capital collateral regional counsels to be designated for inclusion in the Senior Management Service Class; providing requirements for such inclusion; 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 (h) of subsection (1) of section 121.055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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121.055 Senior Management Service Class.—There is hereby established a separate class of membership within the Florida Retirement System to be known as the "Senior Management Service Class," which shall become effective February 1, 1987.

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(h)1. Except as provided in subparagraph 3., effective January 1, 1994, participation in the Senior Management Service Class shall be compulsory for the State Courts Administrator and the Deputy State Courts Administrators, the Clerk of the Supreme Court, the Marshal of the Supreme Court, the Executive Director of the Justice Administrative Commission, the capital collateral regional counsel, the clerks of the district courts of appeals, the marshals of the district courts of appeals, and the trial court administrator and the Chief Deputy Court Administrator in

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each judicial circuit. Effective January 1, 1994, additional

positions in the offices of the state attorney and public

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defender in each judicial circuit <u>and in the offices of the capital collateral regional counsel in each region</u> may be designated for inclusion in the Senior Management Service Class of the Florida Retirement System, provided that:

- a. Positions to be included in the class shall be designated by the state attorney, or public defender, or capital collateral regional counsel, as appropriate. Notice of intent to designate positions for inclusion in the class shall be published once a week for 2 consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation published in the county or counties affected, as provided in chapter 50.
- b. One nonelective full-time position may be designated for each state attorney, and public defender, and capital collateral regional counsel reporting to the Department of Management Services; for agencies with 200 or more regularly established positions under the state attorney, or public defender, or capital collateral regional counsel, additional nonelective full-time positions may be designated, not to exceed 0.5 percent of the regularly established positions within the agency.
- c. Each position added to the class must be a managerial or policymaking position filled by an employee who serves at the pleasure of the state attorney, or public defender, or capital collateral regional counsel without civil service protection, and who:
 - (I) Heads an organizational unit; or
- (II) Has responsibility to effect or recommend personnel, budget, expenditure, or policy decisions in his or her areas of responsibility.
 - 2. Participation in this class shall be compulsory, except

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as provided in subparagraph 3., for any judicial employee who holds a position designated for coverage in the Senior Management Service Class, and such participation shall continue until the employee terminates employment in a covered position. Effective January 1, 2001, participation in this class is compulsory for assistant state attorneys, assistant statewide prosecutors, assistant public defenders, and assistant capital collateral regional counsel. Effective January 1, 2002, participation in this class is compulsory for assistant attorneys general.

3. In lieu of participation in the Senior Management Service Class, such members, excluding assistant state attorneys, assistant public defenders, assistant statewide prosecutors, assistant attorneys general, and assistant capital collateral regional counsel, may participate in the Senior Management Service Optional Annuity Program as established in subsection (6).

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.