By Senator Fasano

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An act relating to public employee group health insurance; amending s. 112.0801, F.S.; providing for market determination of premium cost for health insurance for retirees; requiring cost of continued participation by retirees in insurance plans to be paid by the retiree; authorizing employers to segregate claims experience of the retiree group from claims experience of active employees; authorizing separate experience rating of retirees from active

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

employees; providing an effective date.

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Section 1. Subsection (1) of section 112.0801, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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112.0801 Group insurance; participation by retired employees.-

(1) Any state agency, county, municipality, special district, community college, or district school board that which provides life, health, accident, hospitalization, or annuity insurance, or all of any kinds of such insurance, for its officers and employees and their dependents upon a group insurance plan or self-insurance plan shall allow all former personnel who have retired prior to October 1, 1987, as well as those who retire on or after such date, and their eligible dependents, the option of continuing to participate in such group insurance plan or self-insurance plan. Retirees and their eligible dependents shall be offered the same health and

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hospitalization insurance coverage as is offered to active employees at a premium cost determined by the market of no more than the premium cost applicable to active employees. For the retired employees and their eligible dependents, the cost of any such continued participation in any type of plan or any of the cost thereof shall may be paid by the employer or by the retired employees. To determine health and hospitalization plan costs, the employer may segregate shall commingle the claims experience of the retiree group from with the claims experience of the active employees; and, for other types of coverage, the employer may segregate commingle the claims experience of the retiree group from with the claims experience of active employees. Retirees covered under Medicare may be experience-rated separately from the retirees not covered by Medicare and may be experience-rated separately from active employees, provided that the total premium does not exceed that of the active group and coverage is basically the same as for the active group.

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