2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 15

BY REPRESENTATIVE FONTENOT

RETIREMENT/MUNICIPAL POL: Provides for the reemployment of retired police officers of the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 11:2220(A)(4), relative to the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement
3	System; to authorize certain reemployment of retirees without benefit suspension;
4	to provide for payment of contributions; and to provide for related matters.
5	Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
6	as provided by Article X, Section 29(C) of the Constitution
7	of Louisiana.
8	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
9	Section 1. R.S. 11:2220(A)(4) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
10	§2220. Benefits; contribution limit
11	A. Eligibility for normal retirement, early retirement, and limitations.
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13	(4)(a) The retirement benefit of a retiree of this system who has attained the
14	age of fifty-five, who retired from this system with twenty or more years of service
15	credit, and who becomes an employee as defined by R.S. 11:2213(11)(a)(i) shall not
16	be suspended as otherwise required by Paragraph (2) of this Subsection. However,
17	no such employee shall receive a retirement benefit during the sixty-day period
18	following the effective date of his retirement.
19	(b) During such reemployment, the retiree and his employer shall make
20	contributions to the retirement system as provided by this Chapter, but the retiree

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1	shall receive no additional service credit and shall not accrue any additional
2	retirement benefit in the retirement system. Upon termination of reemployment,
3	employee contributions paid since reemployment shall, upon application, be
4	refunded to the retiree without interest. The retirement system shall retain the
5	employer contributions and interest on contributions.
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for reemployment of retirees of the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System (MPERS) who meet certain criteria.

<u>Present law</u> requires suspension of the retirement benefit of an MPERS retiree who returns to employment in a position covered by MPERS and provides that such a reemployed retiree earns additional service credit during reemployment. Exempts certain retirees who are reemployed in part-time positions.

<u>Proposed law</u> exempts, except for the first 60 days after his retirement, a retiree who meets the following criteria from the requirement for benefit suspension:

- (1) He has attained age 55.
- (2) He has 20 or more years of service credit.
- (3) He is employed as a full-time police officer empowered to make arrests.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides the employee and employer pay contributions to the system during the reemployment period. Provides the employee, upon application, can be refunded their contribution without interest. Provides MPERS retains the employer contributions paid during the reemployment period.

(Adds R.S. 11:2220(A)(4))