
DIGEST

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HB No. 150

Abstract: Relative to the Teachers' Retirement System of La. (TRSL), allows certain retirees reemployed as adjunct professors to receive retirement benefits during reemployment.

Present law prohibits any TRSL retiree other than a "retired teacher" from receiving a retirement benefit while reemployed. Provides that anyone other than a "retired teacher" shall have his benefit suspended during reemployment. Defines "retired teacher" as:

- (1) Any retired member who returns to work full time or part time as a classroom teacher offering instructional services to any student in grades K through 12 in a "critical shortage area".
- (2) Any other retired member reemployed on or before June 30, 2010.
- (3) Any retired member who returns to active service as a full-time certified speech therapist, speech pathologist, or audiologist whose position of employment requires a valid La. ancillary certificate approved and issued by the state Dept. of Education in a school district where a shortage exists.

Proposed law adds to the definition of "retired teacher", and therefore to the list of reemployed retirees who may receive a benefit during reemployment, retirees reemployed as adjunct professors who have at least 30 years of service credit or who are at least 60 years of age.

Proposed law requires the institution of higher education, prior to employing an adjunct professor, to publish a uniform schedule of pay for reemployed adjunct professors and to submit it to TRSL. Provides that the compensation received by a reemployed adjunct professor may not exceed the uniform schedule of pay. If such compensation does exceed the uniform schedule, his benefit will be reduced by the amount in excess.

Effective July 1, 2011.

(Amends R.S. 11:710(H); Adds R.S. 11:710(A)(4) and (I))