## HOUSE BILL NO. 517

INTRODUCED BY HARPER, COCCHIARELLA, BECK, COBB, HIBBARD, DRISCOLL, FRITZ, HALLIGAN, SWYSGOOD, RYE, MCCARTHY, SQUIRES, DOWELL, J. RICE, GRADY, WATERMAN, TUSS, BROOKE, MCCULLOCH, MERCER, GRIMES, LYNCH, SCHYE, FAGG, SMITH, WANZENRIED, JACOBSON, BRANDEWIE, BARTLETT, MENAHAN, REAM, QUILICI, HANSEN, TOOLE, WINSLOW, BARNHART

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FEBRUARY 8, 1993	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION.
	FIRST READING.
FEBRUARY 19, 1993	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
FEBRUARY 20, 1993	PRINTING REPORT.
	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
	ON MOTION, REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.
FEBRUARY 22, 1993	ENGROSSING REPORT.
MARCH 16, 1993	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 17, 1993	PRINTING REPORT.
MARCH 23, 1993	SECOND READING, DO PASS AS AMENDED.
MARCH 24, 1993	ENGROSSING REPORT.
	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 92; NOES, 7.
MARCH 25, 1993	TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.
	IN THE SENATE
MARCH 26, 1993	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & CLAIMS.

APRIL 13, 1993 COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE

FIRST READING.

		CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
APRIL 14,	1993	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED.
APRIL 15,	1993	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 43; NOES, 5.
		RETURNED TO HOUSE WITH AMENDMENTS.
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APRIL 16,	1993	SECOND READING, AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN.
APRIL 19,	1993	THIRD READING, AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN.
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The employer of an eligible member will pay the total cost for purchasing the additional service, up to 3 years, that the member is eligible to purchase under existing

statute. It is the intent of the legislature that the state and the university system be mandated to provide this retirement incentive but that providing the incentive be optional for contracting employers under the public employees' retirement system.

It is also the intent of the legislature that the employer may pay for the additional service on an installment basis over as many as 10 years. Interest would be charged at a rate set according to the retirement board's policy.

It is not the intent of the legislature to provide this retirement incentive to anyone who is an inactive member of the retirement system or who is ineligible for early or normal retirement within the prescribed window or to change the benefit formula used to determine benefits under the retirement system.

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

NEW SECTION. Section 1. Retirement incentive program

-- window of eligibility. (1) Except as provided in

subsection (3), an active member who terminates service on

or after July 1, 1993, but before January 1, 1994, and who

is eligible for a normal service retirement under 19-3-901

or early retirement under 19-3-902 is entitled to the

retirement incentive provided in subsection (2).

(2) The employer of an eligible member under subsection
(1) shall pay the total cost of purchasing up to 3 years of additional service that the member is eligible to purchase under 19-3-513. A member whose previous purchase of additional service makes the member ineligible to purchase more additional service is entitled to a refund on up to 3 years of the previously purchased additional service, and the employer shall pay the cost of that service as provided in this section.

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- (3) A contracting employer's participation in the incentive program described in this section is optional. A contracting employer may elect to provide the incentive by filing with the board a policy to purchase additional service for eligible employees.
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- NEW SECTION. Section 2. Report on effect of retirement incentive. The department of administration, in cooperation with the university system and the public employees' retirement board, shall report to the 54th legislature on the effect of the retirement incentive offered to members of the public employees' retirement system under (section 1).

- The report must include, but is not limited to:
- 2 (1) a summary of the positions from which employees 3 terminated employment under the provisions of [section 1];
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- 5 refilled and when; and
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- of Title 19, chapter 3, part 9, and the provisions of Title
- 11 19, chapter 3, part 9, apply to [section 1].
- 12 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date. [This act] is
- 13 effective on passage and approval.

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## STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB0517, as introduced.

<u>DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION</u>: The bill provides an incentive for state employees who are PERS members currently eligible for early or regular retirement to terminate public employment during a window period. The incentive would be employer payment of up to 3 years of PERS "1-for-5" additional service for which the employee is eligible. If an employee's previous purchase of additional service makes him ineligible for all or a portion of this incentive, up to 3 years of the previous purchase will be refunded to the member. The window incentive is mandatory for the state and university system; contracting local government employers may elect to participate in the window incentive for their PERS employees.

#### ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. Potentially eligible state employees. Of the 2,206 state employees potentially eligible, 607 have at least 25 years of service, 314 have between 20 and 25 years of service, and the remaining 1,285 have less than 20 years of service.
- 2. Allocation of personal service costs. According to a Jan. 1993 LFA budget analysis of this group, 31% of the state employees potentially eligible for the window are funded by the general fund (GF) and 69% are funded by non-general fund sources (NGF).
- 3. Actual state terminations. Assume 50% of those eligible with 20 or more years of service and 15% of those with less than 20 years of service, for a total of 653 persons expected to terminate during the window. Of the 304 persons terminating with at least 25 years of service, 94 will be funded by GF and 210 will be NGF; of the 157 who terminate with betweem 20 and 25 years of service, 49 will be funded by GF and 108 will be NGF; of the 192 terminating with less than 20 years of service, 60 will be funded by GF and 132 will be NGF.
- 4. Average salary of terminating state employees. The average salary of state employees potentially eligible are:

GF employees with 25+ yrs.	\$28,090	NGF employees with 25+ yrs	\$32,045
GF employees with 20-25 yrs.	26,405	NGF employees with 20-25 yrs	30,125
GF employees with <20 yrs.	24,150	NGF employees with <20 yrs	27,540

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Office of Budget and Program Planning

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Fiscal Note for <u>HB0517</u>, as introduced

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- 5. Vacancy costs/(savings). The Governor's Office through OBPP will establish procedures to ensure only critical positions are refilled during the biennium. Fifty percent of the vacated positions are assumed to be deemed critical and allowed to be refilled. It is assumed the Board of Regents will take similar action. The salary paid to employees filling the vacated positions will average 95% of the salary of the terminating employee. Of the 653 state employees expected to terminate during the window:
  - -- 44 with 25+ years of service; 16 with 20-25 years of service; and 52 with less <20 years of service would have terminated between 1/31/93 and 6/30/93 but will wait until 7/31/93 to terminate in order to take advantage of the window incentive. Their lump sum cashouts in FY 94 are a cost shift from FY 93 because of the proposal; the cost of additional service for these employees is a result of the proposal; but because they would have terminated anyway, no salary savings or costs are due to this proposal.
  - -- 60 with 25+ years of service; 17 with 20-250 years of service; and 55 with <20 years of service would have terminated between 7/1/93 and 12/31/93 without the window and are assumed to have an average termination date of 9/30/93. Because they would have terminated during FY 94 anyway, the costs of their lump sum cashouts is not a cost of this proposal; the cost of the 3 yrs of additional service is a cost of the proposal; and because they would have retired anyway, no salary savings or costs are due to this proposal.
  - -- 200 with 25+ years of service; 124 with 20-25 years of service; and 85 with <20 years of service will be additional terminations due to the window incentive and are assumed to occur on 12/31/93. The costs of their lump sum cashouts in FY 94 and the costs of the 3 years of additional service are costs of this proposal; any and all salary savings or costs are due to this proposal.
- 6. Resployer contributions for purchasing additional service assumes the terminating employees with 21 or more years of service will get 3 years of additional service and all others will get an average of 2 years of additional service and the employer will make monthly payments over 10 years @ 8% interest.
- 7. Lump sum payouts of sick and annual leave to terminating employees include fringe benefits @ 25%. The average costs for lump sum payouts are based on average sick and annual leave accumulations for eligible state employees as of January 1, 1993 and assume employees will continue to earn leave until they terminate, and that those employees will use half of the leave they earn in the future and accumulate the remainder.
- 8. University employees. Since no separate data is available, assume 20% of the impact of state employees.
- 9. Local government employees. No impact can be calculated since the window incentive is optional for local governments.
- 10. Benefit adjustments equal to 2.5% of previous calendar year PERS benefits will be paid by general fund (created by SB226, 1991 regular session).
- 11. PERS membership profile. PERS has 27,473 active members. 40% work for state government, 9% for the university system, and 51% for local governments (including school districts). Of the 653 state employees expected to retire during the window, 409 will retire earlier because of this proposal. Assume university system could potentially have 145 employees retire during the window, of which 90 would retire earlier because of this proposal.
- 12. Operating expenses. PBRD will require supplemental budget authority in FY 93 for approximately \$5,000 in Personal Services authority for staff overtime (including benefits) and additional budget expenditure authority of \$27,500 in FY 94 in Personal Services for staff overtime (including benefits) and \$10,000 in Operating Expenses for additional paper, postage and mailing and for computer systems development and processing to implement this bill which will be funded from the PERS trust fund.

### · Fiscal Note Request, HB0517 as introduced Form BD-15 page 3 (continued)

Net Impact - PERS Trust

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FISCAL IMPACT:		FY '94			FY '95	
State Agencies	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference
Expenditures:						
Personal Services			(2,677,950)			(11,127,880)
2.5% Supplemental Benefits	\$1,545,320	\$1,549,482	4,162	1,668,946	1,837,500	168,554
Funding:						
General Fund			(725,378)			(3,102,508)
Other Funds			(1,952,572)			(8,025,372)
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University System						
Expenditures:						
Personal Services			(535,590)			(2,225,576)
<u>Funding:</u> General Fund			(535,590)			(2,225,576)
General Fund			(333,390)			(2,223,376)
Net Impact on General Fund			(1,260,968)			(5,328,084)
PERS Pension Trust Fund		÷				
Expenditures:						
PERD Operating Expenses	1,131,812	1,169,312	37,500	1,111,833	1,111,833	-0-
Pension Benefits	66,757,840	69,850,784	3,092,944	72,098,467	76,305,749	4,207,282
Supplemental Pension Benefit	1,545,320	1,549,482	4,162	1,668,946	1,837,500	168,554
Funding:						
Pension Trust Fund	67,889,652	70,982,596	3,092,944	73,210,300	77,417,582	4,207,282
General Fund	1,545,320	1,549,482	4,162	1,668,946	1,837,500	168,554
Revenues:						
Employer Contributions	37,129,551	37,849,591	720,040	38,057,789	39,255,221	1,197,432
General Fund 2.5% Supplement	1,545,320	1,549,482	4,162	1,668,946	1,837,500	168,554
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Funding:						
General Fund	7,486,048	7,651,293	165,245	7,758,192	8,208,398	450,206
Other State Funds	8,911,092	9,350,087	438,995	9,133,869	9,850,077	716,208
University system Funds (GF)	3,341,660	3,461,622	119,962	3,425,201	3,624,773	199,572

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES: The program is optional for local governments.

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<sup>\*</sup> Over 10 year period the negative impact to the PERS Trust is eliminated by the agency installment payments with interest. HB 577

# STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE FORM BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB0517, third reading.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION: The bill provides an incentive for state employees who are PERS members currently eligible for early or regular retirement to terminate public employment during a window period. The incentive would be employer payment of up to 3 years of PERS "1-for-5" additional service for which the employee is eligible. If an employee's previous purchase of additional service makes him ineligible for all or a portion of this incentive, up to 3 years of the previous purchase will be refunded to the member. The window incentive is mandatory for the state and university system; contracting local government employers may elect to participate in the window incentive for their PERS employees.

#### ASSUMPTIONS:

1. The potential personal services savings anticipated from the proposal were included in HB2 by the full appropriation committee on March 10.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

The potential impact is included in HB2.

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DAVID LEWIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR DATE
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Fiscal Note for HB0517, third reading

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53rd Legislature

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HB 0517/02

## APPROVED BY COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

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- (2) The employer of an eligible member under subsection (1) shall pay the total cost of purchasing up to 3 years of additional service that the member is eligible QUALIFIED to purchase under 19-3-513. A member whose-previous-purchase-of additional-service-makes-the-member-ineligible-to-purchase more-additional-service-is-entitled-to-a-refund-on-up-to--3 years--of--the--previously-purchased-additional-service; and the-employer-shall-pay-the-cost-of-that-service-as--provided in--this-section IS ENTITLED TO A REFUND FOR THAT PORTION OF PREVIOUSLY PURCHASED ADDITIONAL SERVICE THAT WOULD OTHERWISE CAUSE THE MEMBER TO BE UNQUALIFIED TO RECEIVE ALL OR PART OF THE ADDITIONAL SERVICE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.
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u	INCENTIVE FOR MEMBERS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO RETIRE UNDER THE
L <b>2</b>	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND WHO TERMINATE
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.4	PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EPPECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE
.5	APPLICABILITY DATE."
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١7	STATEMENT OF INTENT
18	A statement of intent is required for this bill because
19	[section 1] gives the public employees' retirement board

authority to adopt rules to implement the provisions of the

member of the public employees' retirement system who is

eligible for normal or early retirement with an incentive to

terminate service within the timeframe or window prescribed

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1	in this bill. The incentive provided in this bill is that
2	the employer, at no cost to an eligible member, will buy for
3	the eligible member up to 3 years of additional service for
4	the purpose of calculating the member's retirement benefit.
5	The employer of an eligible member will pay the total
6	cost for purchasing the additional service, up to 3 years,
7	that the member is eligible to purchase under existing
8	statute. It is the intent of the legislature that the state
9	and the university system be mandated to provide this
10	retirement incentive but that providing the incentive be
11	optional for contracting employers under the public
12	employees' retirement system.
13	It is also the intent of the legislature that the
14	employer may pay for the additional service on an
15	installment basis over as many as 10 years. Interest would
16	be charged at a rate set according to the retirement board's
17	policy.
18	It is not the intent of the legislature to provide this
19	retirement incentive to anyone who is an inactive member of
20	the retirement system or who is ineligible for early or
21	normal retirement within the prescribed window or to change
22	the benefit formula used to determine benefits under the
23	retirement system.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:



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NEW SECTION. Section 1. Retirement incentive program

-- window of eligibility. (1) Except as provided in subsection (3) (4), an active member who terminates service on or after daily--1 JUNE 25, 1993, but before January 1, 1994, and who is eligible for a normal service retirement under 19-3-901 or early retirement under 19-3-902 is entitled to the retirement incentive provided in subsection (2)-

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- (2) The employer of an eligible member under subsection (1) shall pay the total cost of purchasing up to 3 years of additional service that the member is eligible QUALIFIED to purchase under 19-3-513. A member whose-previous-purchase-of additional-service-makes-the-member-ineligible-to-purchase more-additional-service-is-entitled-to-a-refund-on-up--to--3 years--of--the--previously-purchased-additional-service; and the-employer-shall-pay-the-cost-of-that-service-as--provided in--this-section IS ENTITLED TO A REFUND FOR THAT PORTION OF PREVIOUSLY PURCHASED ADDITIONAL SERVICE THAT WOULD OTHERWISE CAUSE THE MEMBER TO BE UNQUALIFIED TO RECEIVE ALL OR PART OF THE ADDITIONAL SERVICE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.
- (3) AN ACTIVE MEMBER WHO IS INVOLUNTARILY TERMINATED ON OR AFTER MARCH 1, 1993, BUT BEFORE JUNE 25, 1993, AND WHO, IF THE MEMBER HAD NOT BEEN TERMINATED, WOULD HAVE BEEN ELIGIBLE UNDER SUBSECTION (1) FOR THE RETIREMENT INCENTIVE IS ENTITLED TO THE RETIREMENT INCENTIVE UNDER SUBSECTION (2)

- 1 IF THE MEMBER WAS, AT THE TIME OF TERMINATION, ELIGIBLE FOR
  2 NORMAL SERVICE RETIREMENT UNDER 19-3-901 OR EARLY RETIREMENT
  3 UNDER 19-3-902 AND RETIRES ON OR AFTER JUNE 25, 1993.
- 4 (3)(4) A contracting employer's participation in the incentive program described in this section is optional. A contracting employer may elect to provide the incentive by filing with the board a policy--to--purchase-additional service-for-eligible-employees WRITTEN NOTICE OF ELECTION ON OR BEFORE JUNE 1, 1993, AND COMPLYING WITH RULES ADOPTED
- 11 (4)(5) The board may allow an employer to pay the
  12 contributions required under subsection (2) in installments
  13 for up to 10 years and may charge interest at a rate set by
  14 the board pursuant to 19-3-304. The board shall adopt rules
  15 to implement the provisions of this section.

PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) (5).

- 16 (5)(6) A MEMBER WHO HAS RECEIVED ADDITIONAL SERVICE

  17 UNDER THIS SECTION AND WHO RETURNS TO EMPLOYMENT FOR THE

  18 SAME JURISDICTION FOR 600 OR MORE HOURS IN A CALENDAR YEAR

  19 SHALL FORFEIT THE ADDITIONAL SERVICE. THE EMPLOYER'S

  20 CONTRIBUTIONS TO PURCHASE THAT MEMBER'S ADDITIONAL SERVICE,
- 21 MINUS ANY RETIREMENT BENEFITS ALREADY PAID, MUST BE REFUNDED

  22 TO THE EMPLOYER. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, ALL

  23 AGENCIES OF THE STATE, INCLUDING THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, ARE

  24 CONSIDERED THE SAME JURISDICTION AND OTHER PUBLIC EMPLOYERS

  25 CONTRACTING WITH THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM ARE EACH CONSIDERED

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#### 1 SEPARATE JURISDICTIONS.

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- 2 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Report on effect of retirement
  - incentive. The department of administration, in cooperation
- 4 with the university system and the public employees'
- 5 retirement board, shall report to the 54th legislature on
- 6 the effect of the retirement incentive offered to members of
  - the public employees' retirement system under [section 1].
- 8 The report must include, but is not limited to:
- 9 (1) a summary of the positions from which employees
- 10 terminated employment under the provisions of [section 1];
- 11 (2) whether positions vacated under [section 1] were
- 12 refilled and when; and
- 13 (3) the cost or savings resulting from the
- 14 implementation of [section 1].
- 15 NEW SECTION, SECTION 3. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY.
- 16 [THIS ACT] APPLIES RETROACTIVELY, WITHIN THE MEANING OF
- 17 1-2-109, TO OCCURRENCES ON OR AFTER MARCH 1, 1993.
- 18 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Codification instruction.
- 19 [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an integral part
- 20 of Title 19, chapter 3, part 9, and the provisions of Title
- 21 19, chapter 3, part 9, apply to [section 1].
- 22 NEW SECTION. Section 5. Effective date. [This act] is
- 23 effective on passage and approval.

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MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Finance and Claims having had under consideration House Bill No. 517 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that House Bill No. 517 be amended as follows and as so amended be concurred in.

Signed: A Hondison, Chair

That such amendments read:

1. Title, line 13.

Following: ";"

Insert: "PROVIDING A VOLUNTARY TERMINATION INCENTIVE FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO RETIRE UNDER THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND WHO TERMINATE EMPLOYMENT WITHIN A PRESCRIBED WINDOW OF ELIGIBILITY; "

2. Title, line 14. Following: "DATE" Insert: ", A TERMINATION DATE,"

3. Page 3, line 3. Following: "subsection (3) (4),"

Insert: "a person who is"

Following: "member"

Insert: "on February 1, 1993, and"

Following: "who"

Insert: "voluntarily"

Pollowing: "service"

Insert: For whose service is involuntarily terminated because of

a reduction in force"

4. Page 3, line 21.

Following: "TERMINATED"

Insert: "because of a reduction in force"

5. Page 5, following line 1. Insert: "NEW SECTION. Section 2. Montana university system voluntary termination for teachers' retirement system members. (1) The board of regents shall establish a voluntary termination incentive during the 1994-95 biennium for all members of the teachers' retirement system employed on a full-time basis on or before February 1, 1993, who are eligible for normal service retirement under 19-4-801 and 19-4-802. The termination incentive, combined with employer contributions due the teachers' retirement system under 19-4-101(5)(d), must be an amount equal to 1 year of the

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combined member and employer contributions established in 19-4-602 and 19-4-605 for each 5 years of creditable service within the teachers' retirement system, not to exceed the amount of combined contributions for 3 years.

- (2) A member who terminates employment under the provisions of subsection (1) and who returns to employment in a unit of the Montana university system, except as provided in 19-4-804, shall refund the voluntary termination incentive to the university system.
- (3) To qualify for the termination incentive authorized in this section, the participant shall announce an intent to terminate employment at the end of the 1993-94 academic contract year or at the end of the 1994 summer session on or before December 1, 1993.
- (4) The board of regents shall define the terms of the voluntary termination incentive by July 1, 1993.

NEW SECTION. Section 3. Montana university system voluntary termination for optional teachers' retirement system participants. (1) The board of regents shall establish a voluntary termination incentive during the 1994-95 biennium for all optional retirement participants who are employed on a fulltime basis on or before February 1, 1993, and who are at least 50 years of age on or before the date of termination. The incentive must be an amount equal to 1 year of the combined member and board of regents contributions established in 19-21-203 for each 5 years of service with the Montana university system, not to exceed the amount of combined contributions for 3 years.

- (2) A participant who terminates employment under the provisions of subsection (1) and who returns to employment in a unit of the Montana university system, except as provided in 19-4-804, shall refund the voluntary termination incentive to the university system.
- (3) To qualify for the termination incentive authorized in this section, the participant shall announce an intent to terminate employment at the end of the 1993-94 academic contract year or at the end of the 1994 summer session on or before December 1, 1993.
- (4) The board of regents shall define the terms of the voluntary termination incentive by July 1, 1993."

Renumber: subsequent sections

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## SENATE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AMENDMENT

April 14, 1993 10:34 am

Mr. Chairman: I move to amend House Bill No. 517 (third reading copy -- blue).

ADOPT

REJECT

Signed: () Senator Judy Jacobson

That such amendments read:

1. Page 5, line 2.
Strike: "Report"
Insert: "Reports"
Strike: "retirement"

2. Page 5, line 3.
Strike: "incentive"
Insert: "incentives"

3. Page 5, line 7.

Following: "[section 1]."

Insert: "The board of regents, in cooperation with the teachers' retirement board, shall report to the 54th legislature on the effect of the voluntary termination incentives offered to members of the teachers' retirement system employed by the Montana university system."

4. Page 5, line 8.
Strike: "The report"
Insert: "These reports"
Strike: "is"

Insert: "are"

:Amend Senate Finance and Claims amendments dated April 13, 1993, as follows:

Amendment No. 5

Following: "employment" in [section 2(3)]

Strike: "at"

Insert: "no later than"
Following: "year or"

Strike: "at"

Following: "employment" in [section 3(3)]

Strike: "at"

Insert: "no later than"
Following: "year or"

Strike: "at"

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3	HIBBARD, DRISCOLL, FRITZ, HALLIGAN, SWYSGOOD, RYE,
4	MCCARTHY, SQUIRES, DOWELL, J. RICE, GRADY, WATERMAN,
5	TUSS, BROOKE, MCCULLOCH, MERCER, GRIMES, LYNCH,
6	SCHYE, FAGG, SMITH, WANZENRIED, JACOBSON,
7	BRANDEWIE, BARTLETT, MENAHAN, REAM, QUILICI,
8	HANSEN, TOOLE, WINSLOW, BARNHART
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14	PROVIDING A VOLUNTARY TERMINATION INCENTIVE FOR CERTAIN
15	MEMBERS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO RETIRE UNDER THE TEACHERS'
16	RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND WHO TERMINATE EMPLOYMENT WITHIN A
17	PRESCRIBED WINDOW OF ELIGIBILITY; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE
18	EFFECTIVE DATE, A TERMINATION DATE, AND A RETROACTIVE
19	APPLICABILITY DATE."
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23	[section 1] gives the public employees' retirement board

authority to adopt rules to implement the provisions of the

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2	member of the public employees' retirement system who is
3	eligible for normal or early retirement with an incentive to
4	terminate service within the timeframe or window prescribed
5	in this bill. The incentive provided in this bill is that
6	the employer, at no cost to an eligible member, will buy for
7	the eligible member up to 3 years of additional service for
8	the purpose of calculating the member's retirement benefit.
9	The employer of an eligible member will pay the total
10	cost for purchasing the additional service, up to 3 years.
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12	statute. It is the intent of the legislature that the state
13	and the university system be mandated to provide this
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NEW SECTION. Section 1. Retirement incentive program

-- window of eligibility. (1) Except as provided in
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FEBRUARY 1, 1993, AND who VOLUNTARILY terminates service OR
WHOSE SERVICE IS INVOLUNTARILY TERMINATED BECAUSE OF A
REDUCTION IN FORCE on or after July-1 JUNE 25, 1993, but
before January 1, 1994, and who is eligible for a normal
service retirement under 19-3-901 or early retirement under
19-3-902 is entitled to the retirement incentive provided in
subsection (2).

(1) shall pay the total cost of purchasing up to 3 years of additional service that the member is eligible QUALIFIED to purchase under 19-3-513. A member whose-previous-purchase-of additional-service-makes-the-member-ineligible--to--purchase more--additional--service-is-entitled-to-a-refund-on-up-to-3 years-of-the-previously-purchased--additional--service--and the--employer-shall-pay-the-cost-of-that-service-as-provided in-this-section IS ENTITLED TO A REFUND FOR THAT PORTION OF PREVIOUSLY PURCHASED ADDITIONAL SERVICE THAT WOULD OTHERWISE CAUSE THE MEMBER TO BE UNQUALIFIED TO RECEIVE ALL OR PART OF

- 1 THE ADDITIONAL SERVICE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.
- 2 (3) AN ACTIVE MEMBER WHO IS INVOLUNTARILY TERMINATED
- BECAUSE OF A REDUCTION IN FORCE ON OR AFTER MARCH 1, 1993,
- 4 BUT BEFORE JUNE 25, 1993, AND WHO, IF THE MEMBER HAD NOT
- 5 BEEN TERMINATED, WOULD HAVE BEEN ELIGIBLE UNDER SUBSECTION
- 6 (1) FOR THE RETIREMENT INCENTIVE IS ENTITLED TO THE
- 7 RETIREMENT INCENTIVE UNDER SUBSECTION (2) IF THE MEMBER WAS,
- 8 AT THE TIME OF TERMINATION, ELIGIBLE FOR NORMAL SERVICE
- 9 RETIREMENT UNDER 19-3-901 OR EARLY RETIREMENT UNDER 19-3-902
- 10 AND RETIRES ON OR AFTER JUNE 25, 1993.
- 11 (3)(4) A contracting employer's participation in the
- 12 incentive program described in this section is optional. A
- 13 contracting employer may elect to provide the incentive by
- 14 filing with the board a policy--to--purchase--additional
- 15 service-for-eligible-employees WRITTEN NOTICE OF ELECTION ON
- 16 OR BEFORE JUNE 1, 1993, AND COMPLYING WITH RULES ADOPTED
  - PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4) (5).

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- 18 (4)(5) The board may allow an employer to pay the
- 19 contributions required under subsection (2) in installments
- 20 for up to 10 years and may charge interest at a rate set by
  - the board pursuant to 19-3-304. The board shall adopt rules
- 22 to implement the provisions of this section.
- 23 (5)(6) A MEMBER WHO HAS RECEIVED ADDITIONAL SERVICE
- 24 UNDER THIS SECTION AND WHO RETURNS TO EMPLOYMENT FOR THE
- 25 SAME JURISDICTION FOR 600 OR MORE HOURS IN A CALENDAR YEAR

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- NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM VOLUNTARY TERMINATION FOR TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM MEMBERS. (1) THE BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL ESTABLISH A VOLUNTARY TERMINATION INCENTIVE DURING THE 1994-95 BIENNIUM FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM EMPLOYED ON A FULL-TIME BASIS ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1, 1993, WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR NORMAL SERVICE RETIREMENT UNDER 19-4-801 AND 19-4-802. THE TERMINATION INCENTIVE, COMBINED WITH EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS DUE THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNDER 19-4-101(5)(D), MUST BE AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 1 YEAR OF THE COMBINED MEMBER AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS ESTABLISHED IN 19-4-602 AND 19-4-605 FOR EACH 5 YEARS OF CREDITABLE SERVICE WITHIN THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, NOT TO EXCEED THE
- 23 (2) A MEMBER WHO TERMINATES EMPLOYMENT UNDER THE

AMOUNT OF COMBINED CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 3 YEARS.

- PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) AND WHO RETURNS TO EMPLOYMENT 24
- 25 IN A UNIT OF THE MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, EXCEPT AS

- 1 PROVIDED IN 19-4-804, SHALL REFUND THE VOLUNTARY TERMINATION
- 2 INCENTIVE TO THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM.
- 3 (3) TO QUALIFY FOR THE TERMINATION INCENTIVE AUTHORIZED
- IN THIS SECTION, THE PARTICIPANT SHALL ANNOUNCE AN INTENT TO
- 5 TERMINATE EMPLOYMENT AT NO LATER THAN THE END OF THE 1993-94
- ACADEMIC CONTRACT YEAR OR AT THE END OF THE 1994 SUMMER
- 7 SESSION ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 1993.

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- 8 (4) THE BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL DEFINE THE TERMS OF THE
- VOLUNTARY TERMINATION INCENTIVE BY JULY 1, 1993.
- NEW SECTION. SECTION 3. MONTANA UNIVERSITY 10 SYSTEM
- VOLUNTARY TERMINATION FOR OPTIONAL TEACHERS' RETIREMENT 11
- 12 SYSTEM PARTICIPANTS. (1) THE BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL
- 13 ESTABLISH A VOLUNTARY TERMINATION INCENTIVE DURING THE
- 14 1994-95 BIENNIUM FOR ALL OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PARTICIPANTS
- WHO ARE EMPLOYED ON A FULL-TIME BASIS ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 15
- 16 1, 1993, AND WHO ARE AT LEAST 50 YEARS OF AGE ON OR BEFORE

THE DATE OF TERMINATION. THE INCENTIVE MUST BE AN AMOUNT

- 18 EQUAL TO 1 YEAR OF THE COMBINED MEMBER AND BOARD OF REGENTS
- 19 CONTRIBUTIONS ESTABLISHED IN 19-21-203 FOR EACH 5 YEARS OF
- SERVICE WITH THE MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, NOT TO EXCEED 20
- 21 THE AMOUNT OF COMBINED CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 3 YEARS.
- 22 (2) A PARTICIPANT WHO TERMINATES EMPLOYMENT UNDER THE
- 23 PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (1) AND WHO RETURNS TO EMPLOYMENT
- 24 IN A UNIT OF THE MONTANA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, EXCEPT AS
- 25 PROVIDED IN 19-4-804, SHALL REFUND THE VOLUNTARY TERMINATION

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- SESSION ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 1993.
- 7 (4) THE BOARD OF REGENTS SHALL DEFINE THE TERMS OF THE
- 8 VOLUNTARY TERMINATION INCENTIVE BY JULY 1, 1993.
- 9 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 4. Report REPORTS on effect of
- 10 retirement---incentive <u>INCENTIVES</u>. The department
- 11 administration, in cooperation with the university system
- 12 and the public employees' retirement board, shall report to
- 13 the 54th legislature on the effect of the retirement
- 14 incentive offered to members of the public employees'
- 15 retirement system under-fsection-1; EMPLOYED BY THE STATE,
- 16 INCLUDING THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. THE BOARD OF REGENTS, IN
- 17 COOPERATION WITH THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT BOARD, SHALL
- 18 REPORT TO THE 54TH LEGISLATURE ON THE EFFECT OF THE
- 19 VOLUNTARY TERMINATION INCENTIVES OFFERED TO MEMBERS OF THE
- 20 TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM EMPLOYED BY THE MONTANA
- 21 UNIVERSITY SYSTEM. The -- report THESE REPORTS must include,
- 22 but is ARE not limited to:
- 23 (1) a summary of the positions from which employees
- 24 terminated employment under the provisions of [section 1];
- 25 (2) whether positions vacated under (section 1) were

- 1 refilled and when: and
- 2 (3) the cost or savings resulting from the

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- 3 implementation of [section 1].
- 4 NEW SECTION. SECTION 5. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY.
- 5 [THIS ACT] APPLIES RETROACTIVELY, WITHIN THE MEANING OF
- 6 1-2-109, TO OCCURRENCES ON OR AFTER MARCH 1, 1993.
- 7 NEW SECTION. Section 6. Codification instruction.
- 8 [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an integral part
- 9 of Title 19, chapter 3, part 9, and the provisions of Title
- 10 19, chapter 3, part 9, apply to [section 1].
- 11 NEW SECTION. Section 7. Effective date. [This act] is
- 12 effective on passage and approval.
- 13 NEW SECTION. SECTION 8. TERMINATION. [SECTIONS 2 AND
- 14 3] TERMINATE JUNE 30, 1995.

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