

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL NO. 686

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to public pensions; amending 62 O.S. 2011, Section 3103, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 245, O.S.L. 2018 (62 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 3103), which relates to the Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act; modifying definition of nonfiscal bill to include payments of additional benefits in certain circumstances; authorizing cost-of-living adjustment for retired members of Police Pension and Retirement System; providing for certain annual payment with certain approval; providing for codification; providing effective dates; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2011, Section 3103, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 245, O.S.L. 2018 (62 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 3103), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3103. As used in the Oklahoma Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act:

1. "Amendment" means any amendment, including a substitute bill, made to a retirement bill by any committee of the House or Senate, any conference committee of the House or Senate or by the House or Senate;

1 2. "RB number" means that number preceded by the letters "RB"
2 assigned to a retirement bill by the respective staffs of the
3 Oklahoma State Senate and the Oklahoma House of Representatives when
4 the respective staff office prepares a retirement bill for a member
5 of the Legislature;

6 3. "Legislative Actuary" means the firm or entity that enters
7 into a contract with the Legislative Service Bureau pursuant to
8 Section 452.15 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes to provide the
9 actuarial services and other duties provided for in the Oklahoma
10 Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act;

11 4. "Nonfiscal amendment" means an amendment to a retirement
12 bill having a fiscal impact, which amendment does not change any
13 factor of an actuarial investigation specified in subsection A of
14 Section 3109 of this title;

15 5. "Nonfiscal retirement bill" means a retirement bill:

16 a. which does not affect the cost or funding factors of a
17 retirement system, or

18 b. which affects such factors only in a manner which does
19 not:

20 (1) grant a benefit increase under the retirement
21 system affected by the bill,

22 (2) create an actuarial accrued liability for or
23 increase the actuarial accrued liability of the
24 retirement system affected by the bill, or
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- 1 (3) increase the normal cost of the retirement system
2 affected by the bill,
- 3 c. which authorizes the purchase by an active member of
4 the retirement system, at the actuarial cost for the
5 purchase as computed pursuant to the statute in effect
6 on the effective date of the measure allowing such
7 purchase, of years of service for purposes of reaching
8 a normal retirement date in the applicable retirement
9 system, but which cannot be used in order to compute
10 the number of years of service for purposes of
11 computing the retirement benefit for the member,
- 12 d. which provides for the computation of a service-
13 connected disability retirement benefit for members of
14 the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System
15 pursuant to Section 2-305 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma
16 Statutes if the members were unable to complete twenty
17 (20) years of service as a result of the disability,
- 18 e. which requires membership in the defined benefit plan
19 authorized by Section 901 et seq. of Title 74 of the
20 Oklahoma Statutes for persons whose first elected or
21 appointed service occurs on or after November 1, 2018,
22 if such persons had any prior service in the Oklahoma
23 Public Employees Retirement System prior to November
24 1, 2015, or

1 f. which provides for a one-time increase in retirement
2 benefits if the increase in retirement benefits is not
3 a permanent increase in the gross annual retirement
4 benefit payable to a member or beneficiary, occurs
5 only once pursuant to a single statutory authorization
6 and does not exceed:

7 (1) the lesser of two percent (2%) of the gross
8 annual retirement benefit of the member or One
9 Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) and requires that
10 the benefit may only be provided if the funded
11 ratio of the affected retirement system would not
12 be less than sixty percent (60%) but not greater
13 than eighty percent (80%) after the benefit
14 increase is paid,

15 (2) the lesser of two percent (2%) of the gross
16 annual retirement benefit of the member or One
17 Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) and
18 requires that the benefit may only be provided if
19 the funded ratio of the affected retirement
20 system would be greater than eighty percent (80%)
21 but not greater than one hundred percent (100%)
22 after the benefit increase is paid,

23 (3) the lesser of two percent (2%) of the gross
24 annual retirement benefit of the member or One
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1 Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$1,400.00) and
2 requires that the benefit may only be provided if
3 the funded ratio of the affected retirement
4 system would be greater than one hundred percent
5 (100%) after the benefit increase is paid, or
6 (4) the greater of two percent (2%) of the gross
7 annual retirement benefit of the volunteer
8 firefighter or One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for
9 persons who retired from the Oklahoma
10 Firefighters Pension and Retirement System as
11 volunteer firefighters and who did not retire
12 from the Oklahoma Firefighters Pension and
13 Retirement System as a paid firefighter.

14 g. beginning on the effective date of this act, any
15 retirement bill or amendment which authorizes the
16 payment of additional benefits, whether in the form of
17 a cost-of-living adjustment or other annual increase
18 in retirement benefits if the funded ratio of the
19 retirement system after the payment of such benefits
20 would be ninety percent (90%) or greater. Such bills
21 shall not be required to comply with the requirements
22 of paragraph 1 of subsection A of Section 3107 of this
23 title.

1 As used in this subparagraph, "funded ratio" means
2 the figure derived by dividing the actuarial value
3 of assets of the applicable retirement system by
4 the actuarial accrued liability of the applicable
5 retirement system.

6 A nonfiscal retirement bill shall include any retirement bill that
7 has as its sole purpose the appropriation or distribution or
8 redistribution of monies in some manner to a retirement system for
9 purposes of reducing the unfunded liability of such system or the
10 earmarking of a portion of the revenue from a tax to a retirement
11 system or increasing the percentage of the revenue earmarked from a
12 tax to a retirement system;

13 6. "Reduction-in-cost amendment" means an amendment to a
14 retirement bill having a fiscal impact which reduces the cost of the
15 bill as such cost is determined by the actuarial investigation for
16 the bill prepared pursuant to Section 3109 of this title;

17 7. "Retirement bill" means any bill or joint resolution
18 introduced or any bill or joint resolution amended by a member of
19 the Oklahoma Legislature which creates or amends any law directly
20 affecting a retirement system. A retirement bill shall not mean a
21 bill or resolution that impacts the revenue of any state tax in
22 which a portion of the revenue generated from such tax is earmarked
23 for the benefit of a retirement system;

1 8. "Retirement bill having a fiscal impact" means any
2 retirement bill creating or establishing a retirement system and any
3 other retirement bill other than a nonfiscal retirement bill; and

4 9. "Retirement system" means the Teachers' Retirement System of
5 Oklahoma, the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, the
6 Uniform Retirement System for Justices and Judges, the Oklahoma
7 Firefighters Pension and Retirement System, the Oklahoma Police
8 Pension and Retirement System, the Oklahoma Law Enforcement
9 Retirement System, or a retirement system established after January
10 1, 2006.

11 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 50-136.9 of Title 11, unless
13 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 Any person receiving benefits from the Oklahoma Police Pension
15 and Retirement System as of June 30, 2019, shall receive a cost-of-
16 living adjustment in the amount of one monthly pension payment, as
17 provided in Section 50-114 of Title 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes, on
18 July 1, 2020. The adjustment shall continue annually, subject to
19 approval by the Oklahoma Police Pension and Retirement Board.

20 SECTION 3. Section 1 of this act shall become effective July 1,
21 2019.

22 SECTION 4. Section 2 of this act shall become effective October
23 1, 2019.

1 SECTION 5. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
2 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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