HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 38

(As amended March 18, 1998)

A bill to regulate benefits provided to certain public employee retirement system participants in this state; and to prescribe powers and duties of certain retirement systems, state departments, public officials, and public employees.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
- 2 "regulation of [early] retirement benefits act".
- 3 Sec. 2. For the purposes of this act, the words and phrases
- 4 defined in sections 3 and 4 have the meanings ascribed to them in
- 5 those sections.
- 6 Sec. 3. (1) "Benefit" means an annuity, a pension, a
- 7 retirement allowance, or an optional benefit accrued or accruing
- 8 to a participant under a retirement system.
- 9 (2) "Disability retirement provisions" means the provisions
- 10 in the retirement system that allow a participant to retire due

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1 to incapacity that renders that participant unable to perform his

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- 2 or her duties to his or her employer.
- 3 (3) "Elected public official" means an individual who holds
- 4 a public office that is filled by an election. Elected public
- 5 official includes an individual who is appointed to fill a
- 6 vacancy in a public office that is normally filled by an
- 7 election.
- 8 Sec. 4. (1) "Normal retirement provisions" means the provi-
- 9 sions of the retirement system that establish requirements of age
- 10 or service, or a combination of age and service, for a partici-
- 11 pant to be eligible for retirement under the retirement system.
- 12 Normal retirement provisions do not include any provision of the
- 13 retirement system established on a temporary or noncontinuous
- 14 basis that alters the previously established requirements of age
- 15 or service, or a combination of age and service, for a partici-
- 16 pant to be eligible for retirement under the retirement system or
- 17 alters the normal benefits available under that retirement
- 18 system.
- 19 (2) "Participant" means a member, deferred member, or vested
- 20 former member of a retirement system.
- 21 (3) "Retirement system" means a public employee retirement
- 22 system created and established by this state or any political
- 23 subdivision of this state.
- 24 Sec. 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, rule,
- 25 ordinance, or resolution to the contrary, beginning on the effec-
- 26 tive date of this act, an elected public official who is a
- 27 participant of a retirement system by virtue of holding that

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- 1 elective office shall not retire under that retirement system
- 2 before the date that the elected public official is eligible to
- 3 retire under the normal retirement provisions or the disability
- 4 retirement provisions of that retirement system.
- 5 Enacting section 1. This act does not take effect unless
- 6 all of the following bills of the 89th Legislature are enacted
- 7 into law:
- 8 (a) House Bill No. 4366.
- (b) House Bill No. 4367. 9
- (c) House Bill No. 4368. 10
- 11 (d) House Bill No. 4369.