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SENATE BILL No. 343

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A bill to amend 1980 PA 300, entitled "The public school employees retirement act of 1979," by amending sections 41 and 41a (MCL 38.1341 and 38.1341a), as amended by 2012 PA 300.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 41. (1) The annual level percentage of payroll contribution rate—RATES to finance benefits being provided and to be provided by the retirement system shall—MUST be determined by actuarial valuation pursuant to—UNDER subsection (2) upon—ON the basis of the risk assumptions that the retirement board and the department adopt after consultation with the state treasurer and an actuary. An annual actuarial valuation shall—MUST be made of the retirement system in—order—to determine the actuarial condition of

- 1 the retirement system and the required contribution to the
- 2 retirement system. An annual actuarial gain-loss experience study
- 3 of the retirement system shall MUST be made in order to determine
- 4 the financial effect of variations of actual retirement system
- 5 experience from projected experience.
- 6 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, SECTION
- 7 41A, the ANNUAL contribution rate RATES for benefits shall be
- 8 computed IS SUBJECT TO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 9 (A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, THE
- 10 CONTRIBUTION RATE FOR BENEFITS MUST BE COMPUTED using an individual
- 11 projected benefit entry age normal cost method of valuation. Except
- 12 as otherwise provided in this section, for the 1995-96 state fiscal
- 13 year and for each subsequent fiscal year before the 2012-2013 state
- 14 fiscal year, the contribution rate for health benefits provided
- 15 under section 91 shall be computed using a cash disbursement
- 16 method. Beginning in the 2012-2013 state fiscal year and for each
- 17 subsequent fiscal year, if IF the contributions described in
- 18 section 43e are determined by a final order of a court of competent
- 19 jurisdiction for which all rights of appeal have been exhausted to
- 20 be unconstitutional and the contributions are not deposited into
- 21 the appropriate funding account referenced in section 43e, the
- 22 contribution rate for health benefits provided under section 91
- 23 shall MUST be computed using a cash disbursement method.
- 24 (B) The contribution rate for service likely to be rendered in
- 25 the current year, the normal cost contribution rate, shall-FOR
- 26 REPORTING UNITS MUST be equal to DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:
- 27 (i) CALCULATE the aggregate amount of individual projected

- 1 benefit entry age normal costs. divided
- 2 (ii) DIVIDE THE RESULT OF THE CALCULATION UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH
- 3 (i) by 1% of the aggregate amount of active members' valuation
- 4 compensation. Except as otherwise provided under this subsection,
- 5 the
- 6 (C) THE contribution rate for unfunded service rendered before
- 7 the valuation date, the unfunded actuarial accrued liability
- 8 contribution rate, shall MUST be DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:
- 9 (i) CALCULATE the aggregate amount of unfunded actuarial
- 10 accrued liabilities divided OF REPORTING UNITS AS FOLLOWS:
- 11 (A) CALCULATE THE ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF BENEFITS FOR
- 12 MEMBERS ATTRIBUTABLE TO REPORTING UNITS.
- 13 (B) CALCULATE THE ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF FUTURE NORMAL
- 14 COST CONTRIBUTIONS OF REPORTING UNITS.
- 15 (C) CALCULATE THE ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF ASSETS ON THE
- 16 VALUATION DATE.
- 17 (D) ADD THE RESULTS OF SUB-SUBPARAGRAPHS (B) AND (C).
- 18 (E) SUBTRACT FROM THE RESULT OF THE CALCULATION UNDER SUB-
- 19 SUBPARAGRAPH (A) THE RESULT FROM THE CALCULATION UNDER SUB-
- 20 SUBPARAGRAPH (D).
- 21 (ii) DIVIDE THE RESULT OF THE CALCULATION UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH
- 22 (i) by 1% of the actuarial present value over a period not to
- 23 exceed 50 years of projected valuation compensation. where
- 24 unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities are equal to the actuarial
- 25 present value of benefits, reduced by the actuarial present value
- 26 of future normal cost contributions and the actuarial value of
- 27 assets on the valuation date.

- 1 (D) Beginning with the 2012-2013 state fiscal year **ENDING**
- 2 SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 and for each subsequent fiscal year, the
- 3 unfunded actuarial accrued liability contribution rate applied to
- 4 payroll shall MUST not exceed 20.96% FOR A REPORTING UNIT THAT IS
- 5 NOT A UNIVERSITY REPORTING UNIT. Any additional unfunded actuarial
- 6 accrued liability contributions as determined under this section
- 7 for each fiscal year are to be paid by appropriation from the
- 8 school aid fund established by section 11 of article IX of the
- 9 state constitution of 1963. Except as otherwise provided in THIS
- 10 SECTION AND section 41a, the unfunded actuarial accrued liability
- 11 contribution rate shall MUST be based upon ON and applied to the
- 12 combined payrolls of the employees who are members and qualified
- 13 participants.
- 14 (E) BEGINNING WITH THE STATE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30,
- 15 2016 AND FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT STATE FISCAL YEAR, THE UNFUNDED
- 16 ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY CONTRIBUTION RATE APPLIED TO THE
- 17 COMBINED PAYROLL, AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 41A, MUST NOT EXCEED
- 18 25.73% FOR A UNIVERSITY REPORTING UNIT. ANY ADDITIONAL UNFUNDED
- 19 ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY CONTRIBUTIONS AS DETERMINED UNDER THIS
- 20 SECTION FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR FOR UNIVERSITY REPORTING UNITS ARE TO
- 21 BE PAID BY APPROPRIATION UNDER ARTICLE III OF THE STATE SCHOOL AID
- 22 ACT OF 1979, 1979 PA 94, MCL 388.1836 TO 388.1893.
- 23 (3) Before November 1 of each year, the executive secretary of
- 24 the retirement board shall certify to the director of the
- 25 department the aggregate compensation estimated to be paid public
- 26 school employees for the current state fiscal year.
- 27 (4) On the basis of the estimate under subsection (3), the

- 1 annual actuarial valuation, and any adjustment required under
- 2 subsection (6), the director of the department shall compute the
- 3 sum due and payable to the retirement system and shall certify this
- 4 amount to the reporting units.
- 5 (5) The reporting units shall make payment of PAY the amount
- 6 certified under subsection (4) to the director of the department in
- 7 equal payroll cycle installments for unfunded actuarial accrued
- 8 liability contributions and payroll cycle installments for normal
- 9 cost contributions.
- 10 (6) Not later than 90 days after termination of each state
- 11 fiscal year, the executive secretary of the retirement board shall
- 12 certify to the director of the department and each reporting unit
- 13 the actual aggregate compensation paid to public school employees
- 14 during the preceding state fiscal year. Upon ON receipt of that
- 15 certification, the director of the department may compute any
- 16 adjustment required to the amount due to a difference between the
- 17 estimated and the actual aggregate compensation and the estimated
- 18 and the actual actuarial employer contribution rate. The
- 19 difference, if any, shall MUST be paid as provided in subsection
- 20 (9). This subsection does not apply in a fiscal year in which a
- 21 deposit occurs pursuant to UNDER subsection (14).
- 22 (7) The director of the department may require evidence of
- 23 correctness and may conduct an audit of the aggregate compensation
- 24 that the director of the department considers necessary to
- 25 establish its correctness.
- 26 (8) A reporting unit shall forward employee and employer
- 27 social security contributions and reports as required by the

- 1 federal old-age, survivors, disability, and hospital insurance
- 2 provisions of title II of the social security act, 42 USC 401 to
- **3** 434.
- 4 (9) For an employer of an employee of a local public school
- 5 district or an intermediate school district, for differences
- 6 occurring in fiscal years beginning on or after October 1, 1993, a
- 7 minimum of 20% of the difference between the estimated and the
- 8 actual aggregate compensation and the estimated and the actual
- 9 actuarial employer contribution rate described in subsection (6),
- 10 if any, shall MUST be paid by that employer in the next succeeding
- 11 state fiscal year and a minimum of 25% of the remaining difference
- 12 shall MUST be paid by that employer in each of the following 4
- 13 state fiscal years, or until 100% of the remaining difference is
- 14 submitted, whichever first occurs. For an employer of other public
- 15 school employees, for differences occurring in fiscal years
- 16 beginning on or after October 1, 1991, a minimum of 20% of the
- 17 difference between the estimated and the actual aggregate
- 18 compensation and the estimated and the actual actuarial employer
- 19 contribution rate described in subsection (6), if any, shall MUST
- 20 be paid by that employer in the next succeeding state fiscal year
- 21 and a minimum of 25% of the remaining difference shall MUST be paid
- 22 by that employer in each of the following 4 state fiscal years, or
- 23 until 100% of the remaining difference is submitted, whichever
- 24 first occurs. In addition, interest shall MUST be included for each
- 25 year that a portion of the remaining difference is carried forward.
- 26 The interest rate shall MUST equal the actuarially assumed rate of
- 27 investment return for the state fiscal year in which payment is

- 1 made. This subsection does not apply in a fiscal year in which a
- 2 deposit occurs pursuant to UNDER subsection (14).
- 3 (10) Beginning on the designated date, SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, all
- 4 assets held by the retirement system shall MUST be reassigned their
- 5 fair market value, as determined by the state treasurer, as of the
- 6 designated date, SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, and in calculating any
- 7 unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities, any market gains or losses
- 8 incurred before the designated date shall SEPTEMBER 30, 2006 MAY
- 9 not be considered by the retirement system's actuaries.
- 10 (11) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection,
- 11 beginning on the designated date, SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, the actuary
- 12 used by the retirement board shall assume a rate of return on
- investments of 8.00% per annum, as of the designated date,
- 14 SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, which rate may only be changed with the
- 15 approval of the retirement board and the director of the
- 16 department. Beginning on July 1, 2010, the actuary used by the
- 17 retirement board shall assume a rate of return on investments of
- 18 7.00% per annum for investments associated with members who first
- 19 became members on and after July 1, JUNE 30, 2010, which rate may
- 20 only be changed with the approval of the retirement board and the
- 21 director of the department.
- 22 (12) Beginning on the designated date, SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, the
- 23 value of assets used shall MUST be based on a method that spreads
- 24 over a 5-year period the difference between actual and expected
- 25 return occurring in each year after the designated date SEPTEMBER
- 26 30, 2006, and such THE methodology may only be changed with the
- 27 approval of the retirement board and the director of the

- 1 department.
- 2 (13) Beginning on the designated date, SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, the
- 3 actuary used by the retirement board shall use a salary increase
- 4 assumption that projects annual salary increases of 4%. In addition
- 5 to the 4%, the retirement board shall use an additional percentage
- 6 based upon ON an age-related scale to reflect merit, longevity, and
- 7 promotional salary increase. The actuary shall use this assumption
- 8 until a change in the assumption is approved in writing by the
- 9 retirement board and the director of the department.
- 10 (14) For fiscal years that begin on or after October 1, 2001,
- 11 if the actuarial valuation prepared pursuant to UNDER this section
- 12 demonstrates that as of the beginning of a fiscal year, and after
- 13 all credits and transfers required by this act for the previous
- 14 fiscal year have been made, the sum of the actuarial value of
- 15 assets and the actuarial present value of future normal cost
- 16 contributions exceeds the actuarial present value of benefits, the
- 17 amount based on the annual level percent of payroll contribution
- 18 rate pursuant to UNDER subsections (1) and (2) may be deposited
- 19 into the health advance funding subaccount created by section 34.
- 20 (15) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, if the
- 21 retirement board establishes an arrangement and fund as described
- 22 in section 6 of the public employee retirement benefit protection
- 23 act, 2002 PA 100, MCL 38.1686, the benefits that are required to be
- 24 paid from that fund shall MUST be paid from a portion of the
- 25 employer contributions described in this section or other eligible
- 26 funds. The retirement board shall determine the amount of the
- 27 employer contributions or other eligible funds that shall MUST be

- 1 allocated to that fund and deposit that amount in that fund before
- 2 it deposits any remaining employer contributions or other eligible
- 3 funds in the pension fund.
- 4 (16) As used in this section, "current operating expenditures"
- 5 for a public local school district includes functions 1xx, 2xx,
- 6 45x, and all object codes except 6xxx, as defined in the Michigan
- 7 Public School Accounting Manual Bulletin 1022, and is equal to the
- 8 total of instructional and support services expenditures, including
- 9 the total general fund charges incurred in the general, special
- 10 education, and vocational education funds for the benefit of the
- 11 current fiscal year, whether paid or unpaid, and all expenditures
- 12 of the instructional programs plus applicable supporting service
- 13 costs reduced by capital outlay, debt service, community services,
- 14 and outgoing transfers and other transactions. Current operating
- 15 expenditures for a public local school district also include
- 16 operating funds for any public school or other public educational
- 17 entity first authorized or established by the public local school
- 18 district on or after the effective date of the amendatory act that
- 19 added this subsection. "UNIVERSITY REPORTING UNIT" MEANS A REPORTING
- 20 UNIT THAT IS A UNIVERSITY LISTED IN THE DEFINITION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL
- 21 EMPLOYEE UNDER SECTION 6.
- Sec. 41a. (1) For fiscal years that begin on or after March
- 23 28, 27, 1996, the retirement system shall determine a separate
- 24 contribution rate for a UNIVERSITY reporting unit. that is a
- 25 university listed in the definition of public school employee under
- 26 section 6. The SUBJECT TO THIS SUBSECTION, THE retirement system
- 27 shall determine the separate contribution rate in the manner

- 1 prescribed in section 41, except that the unfunded actuarial
- 2 accrued liability shall MUST be amortized over 40 years beginning
- 3 October 1, 1996 and ending on September 30, 2036, with the payment
- 4 schedule for universities being based on and applied to the
- 5 combined payrolls of the universities' employees who are members
- 6 and who were hired before January 1, 1996 and the universities'
- 7 employees who would have been members on or after January 1, 1996,
- 8 DECEMBER 31, 1995, but for the enactment of 1995 PA 272. BEGINNING
- 9 WITH THE STATE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 AND FOR EACH
- 10 SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEAR, THE COMBINED PAYROLLS USED FOR THE PAYMENT
- 11 SCHEDULE FOR THE UNIVERSITY REPORTING UNITS MUST INCLUDE EACH
- 12 UNIVERSITY REPORTING UNIT'S COMBINED PAYROLL, AS PROJECTED BY THE
- 13 ACTUARY BASED ON THE ACTUARIAL VALUATION FOR EACH FOLLOWING FISCAL
- 14 YEAR, EXCEPT THAT THE COMBINED PAYROLL FOR EACH UNIVERSITY
- 15 REPORTING UNIT MUST NOT BE LESS THAN THE COMBINED PAYROLL PROJECTED
- 16 FOR EACH SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEAR FOR EACH UNIVERSITY REPORTING UNIT
- 17 BY THE ACTUARY BASED ON THE SEPTEMBER 30, 2012 ACTUARIAL VALUATION.
- 18 The amount of the unfunded accrued liability on which the separate
- 19 contribution rate is determined shall MUST be that amount which a
- 20 UNIVERSITY reporting unit that is a university listed in the
- 21 definition of public school employee under section 6 is legally
- 22 responsible for and is calculated by actuarial analysis. Any
- 23 reduction in the unfunded liability of the system pursuant to UNDER
- 24 governmental action affecting the entire system BEFORE SEPTEMBER
- 25 30, 2036 will be allocated to all reporting units including
- 26 universities as determined by the system's actuary. For the 2006-
- 27 2007—state fiscal year ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2007, the contribution

- 1 for unfunded actuarial accrued liability shall MUST be equal to
- 2 4.5% of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. AFTER SEPTEMBER
- 3 30, 2036, A UNIVERSITY REPORTING UNIT IS NOT LIABLE TO PAY PENSION
- 4 UNFUNDED ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY DETERMINED UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 5 (2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "UNIVERSITY REPORTING UNIT" MEANS
- 6 A REPORTING UNIT THAT IS A UNIVERSITY LISTED IN THE DEFINITION OF
- 7 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEE UNDER SECTION 6.