### Amendment No. 183

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 364 (BDR 23-1014)								
Proposed by: Assembly Committee on Government Affairs								
Amends:	Summary: No	Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsor	rship: No Digest: Yes					

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) *green bold italic underlining* is new language proposed in this amendment; (3) red strikethrough is deleted language in the original bill; (4) purple double strikethrough is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill that is proposed to be retained in this amendment; and (6) green bold underlining is newly added transitory language.

JWP Date: 4/8/2013

A.B. No. 364—Revises provisions governing public officers and employees. (BDR 23-1014)

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# ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 364-ASSEMBLYMEN PAUL ANDERSON, HANSEN; DUNCAN, ELLISON, GRADY, HARDY, KIRNER, OSCARSON AND WHEELER

## MARCH 18, 2013

#### Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing public officers and employees. (BDR 23-1014)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets fomitted material; is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to public employees; increasing the maximum period during which certain public officers and employees of the State who are active members of the military must be relieved from their duties to serve under orders without loss of compensation; fauthorizing certain members of the Public Employees' Retirement System to purchase service eredit under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

### Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Section 1 of this bill increases, from not more than 15 working days to not more than 39 working days in a calendar year, the period during which certain public officers and employees of the State who are active members of the military must be relieved from their duties as public officers and employees to serve under orders without loss of compensation. 2 of this bill authorizes such public officers and employees who are members Public Employees' Retirement System to purchase service credit under certain

# THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** NRS 281.145 is hereby amended to read as follows: 281.145 [Any]

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, any public officer or employee of the State or any agency thereof, or of a political subdivision or an agency of a political subdivision, who is an active member of the United States Army Reserve, the United States Naval Reserve, the United States Marine Corps Reserve, the United States Coast Guard Reserve, the United States Air Force Reserve or the Nevada National Guard must be relieved from the officer's or employee's duties, upon the officer's or employee's request, to serve under orders

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Any public officer or employee of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Public Safety! State or any agency thereof whose work schedule includes Saturday or Sunday and who is an active member of the United States Army Reserve, the United States Naval Reserve, the United States Marine Corps Reserve, the United States Coast Guard Reserve, the United States Air Force Reserve or the Nevada National Guard must be relieved from the officer's or employee's duties, upon the officer's or employee's request, to serve under orders without loss of the officer's or employee's regular compensation for a period of not more than 39 working days in any 1 calendar year. No such absence may be a part of the employee's annual vacation provided for by law.

Sec. 2. INRS 286.300 is hereby amended to read as follo 286.300 Except as otherwise required as a result of NRS 286.537:

- 1. Any member of the System may, except as otherwise provided in subsection [5,] 6, purchase all previous creditable service performed with the member's present employing agency if that service was performed before the enrollment of the member's agency in the System, even if the service is still ereditable in some other system where it cannot be cancelled. The public employer must certify the inclusive dates of employment and number of hours regularly worked by the member to validate the service. The member must pay the full actuarial cost as determined by the actuary.
- 2. In addition to the purchases authorized pursuant to the provisional subsections 1, [and] 3 [,] and 4, any member who has 5 years of creditable service may, except as otherwise provided in subsection [5,] 6, purchase up to 5 years service. The member must pay the full actuarial cost of the service as determined by an actuary of the System.
- 3. In addition to the purchases authorized pursuant to the provisions of subsections 1, [and] 2 and 4, and in addition to any free credit received pursuant to NRS 286.303 and 286.479, any member who has 5 years of creditable service, served on active military duty during the period beginning on the date proclaimed by the President of the United States as the date on which Operation Desert Storm, Operation Enduring Freedom or Operation Iragi Freedom began and was honorably discharged or released from active duty may, except as otherwise provided in subsection [5,] 6, purchase a number of months of service equal to the number of full months the member served on active military duty, but in no case may the service purchased pursuant to this subsection exceed 3 years. The member must pay the full actuarial cost of the service as determined by an actuary of the System.
- 4. In addition to the purchases authorized pursuant to the provisions subsections 1, 2 and 3, any member who, on or after October 1, 2013:
  - (a) Has 5 years of creditable service;
- (b) Serves military duty under orders without loss of regular compensation as described in subsection 2 of NRS 201.145; and
- (c) Loses regular compensation by serving such duty in excess of the period described in subsection 2 of NRS 281.145,
- → may, except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, purchase service credit not to exceed 11 days or the number of days of regular compensation lost in any 1 calendar year, whichever is less. The member must pay the full actuarial cost of the service as determined by an actuary of the System.
- 5. In addition to the purchases authorized pursuant to the subsections 1, [and] 3 [.] and 4, any member who:
  - (a) Is a licensed teacher;

- (b) Has 5 years of creditable service;
- (c) Is, pursuant to statute, regulation or contract, entitled to payment for unused sick leave; and
- (d) Is employed by the board of trustees of a school district that has, pursuant to subsection 5 of NRS 391.180, provided for the payment of unused sick leave in the form of purchase of service;
- may, except as otherwise provided in subsection [5,] 6, cause to be purchased on the member's behalf service credit, not to exceed the number of hours of unused sick leave or 1 year, whichever is less. The full actuarial cost of the service as determined by an actuary of the System must be paid for such a purchase. Any service credit purchased pursuant to this subsection must be included as a part of, and is not in addition to, service purchased pursuant to subsection 2.
- [5,] 6. A person who becomes a member of the System for the first time on or after January 1, 2000, may, on or after July 1, 2001, purchase creditable service pursuant to subsection 1, 2, [or] 3 [,] or 4, or cause to be purchased on the person's behalf service credit pursuant to subsection [4,] 5, only if, at the time of the purchase, the person is employed by a participating public employer in a position eligible for membership in the System.
  - [6.] 7. Any member of the System may use:
- (a) All or any portion of the balance of the member's interest in a qualified trust pursuant to section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 401(a);
- (b) The money contained in an individual retirement account or an individual retirement annuity of a member, the entire amount of which is:
- (1) Attributable to a qualified distribution from a qualified trust pursuant to section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 401(a); and
- (2) Qualified as an eligible rollover distribution pursuant to section 402 of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 402,
- → to purchase creditable service pursuant to subsection 1, 2, [or] 3 [.] or 4.
- [7.] 8. A member of the System who purchases creditable service pursuant to subsection 1, 2, [or] 3 or 4 is entitled to receive a refund of any contributions paid toward the purchase of the service only if the member is no longer in the employ of a participating public employer.
- [8.] 9. If a member of the System enters into an agreement whereby the member agrees to pay for the purchase of service credit in installments and the member defaults on that agreement, the member is entitled to receive service credit in the proportion that the principal paid bears to the principal due under the agreement.] (Deleted by amendment.)
  - Sec. 3. NRS 391.180 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 391.180 1. As used in this section, "employee" means any employee of a sehool district or charter school in this State.
- 2. A school month in any public school in this State consists of 4 weeks of 5 days each.
- Nothing contained in this section prohibits the payment of employees' compensation in 12 equal monthly payments for 9 or more months' work.
- 1. The per diem deduction from the salary of an employee because of absence from service for reasons other than those specified in this section is that proportion of the yearly salary which is determined by the ratio between the duration of the absence and the total number of contracted workdays in the year.
- 5. Boards of trustees shall either prescribe by regulation or negotiate pursuant to chapter 288 of NRS, with respect to sick leave, accumulation of sick leave, payment for unused sick leave, sabbatical leave, personal leave, professional leave, military leave and such other leave as they determine to be necessary or desirable

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- for employees. In addition, boards of trustees may either prescribe by regulation or negotiate pursuant to chapter 288 of NRS with respect to the payment of unused siek leave to licensed teachers in the form of purchase of service pursuant to subsection [4] 5 of NRS 286.300. The amount of service so purchased must not exceed the number of hours of unused sick leave or 1 year, whichever is less.
- The salary of any employee unavoidably absent because of personal illness or accident, or because of serious illness, accident or death in the family, may be paid up to the number of days of sick leave accumulated by the employee. An employee may not be credited with more than 15 days of sick leave in any 1 school year. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if an employee takes a position with another school district or charter school, all sick leave that the employee has accumulated must be transferred from the employee's former school district or charter school to his or her new school district or charter school. The amount of sick leave so transferred may not exceed the maximum amount of sick leave which may be carried forward from one year to the next according to the applicable negotiated agreement or the policy of the district or charter school into which the employee transferred. Unless the applicable negotiated agreement or policy of the employing district or charter school provides otherwise, such an employee:
- (a) Shall first use the sick leave credited to the employee from the district or charter school into which the employee transferred before using any of the transferred leave; and
- (b) Is not entitled to compensation for any sick leave transferred pursuant to this subsection.
  - 7. Subject to the provisions of subsection 8:
- (a) If an intermission of less than 6 days is ordered by the board of trustees of a school district or the governing body of a charter school for any good reason, no deduction of salary may be made therefor.
- (b) If, on account of sickness, epidemic or other emergency in the community, a longer intermission is ordered by the board of trustees of a school district, the governing body of a charter school or a board of health and the intermission or elosing does not exceed 30 days at any one time, there may be no deduction or discontinuance of salaries.
- 8. If the board of trustees of a school district or the governing body of a charter school orders an extension of the number of days of school to compensate for the days lost as the result of an intermission because of those reasons contained in paragraph (b) of subsection 7, an employee may be required to render his or her services to the school district or charter school during that extended period. If the salary of the employee was continued during the period of intermission as provided in subsection 7, the employee is not entitled to additional compensation for services rendered during the extended period.
- 9. If any subject referred to in this section is included in an agreement or contract negotiated by:
  - (a) The board of trustees of a school district pursuant to chapter 288 of NRS; or
  - (b) The governing body of a charter school pursuant to NRS 386.595,
- + the provisions of the agreement or contract regarding that subject supersede any conflicting provisions of this section or of a regulation of the board of trustees. (Deleted by amendment.)