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SYNOPSIS

Permits prosecutors to enroll in Prosecutors Part of PERS.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly State and Local Government Committee on June 9, 2021, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/24/2021)

1 AN ACT concerning enrollment in the Prosecutors Part of the Public 2 Employees' Retirement System and amending P.L.2001, c.366. 3 4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey: 6 7 1. Section 2 of P.L.2001, c.366 (C.43:15A-156) is amended to 8 read as follows: 9 2. a. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, 10 prosecutors shall be members of the Prosecutors Part, established pursuant to P.L.2001, c.366 (C.43:15A-155 et seq.), of the Public 11 12 Employees' Retirement System, established pursuant to P.L.1954, 13 c.84 (C.43:15A-1 et seq.), [if enrolled in the part prior to the 14 effective date of P.L.2010, c.1,] and shall be subject to the same 15 membership and benefit provisions as State employees, except as 16 provided by P.L.2001, c.366. Membership in the retirement system 17 shall be a condition of employment for service as a prosecutor **[**for 18 a prosecutor enrolled in the part prior to the effective date of 19 P.L.2010, c.1]. Any service credit which has been established in the Public Employees' Retirement System ¹[by a prosecutor]¹ prior 20 21 to the effective date of this act, P.L., c. (pending before the 22 Legislature as this bill), shall be established in the Prosecutors Part 23 without further assessment of cost to the prosecutor; provided, 24 however, any service credit which has been established in the Public Employees' Retirement System ¹and the Judicial Retirement 25 26 System not deferred pursuant to section 1 of P.L.2019, c.287 (C.43:6A-11.1)¹ by a member of the retirement system in any 27 position prior to service as a county prosecutor, nominated and 28 29 appointed pursuant to Article VII, Section II, paragraph 1 of the 30 New Jersey Constitution, shall be established in the Prosecutors 31 Part without further assessment of cost to the prosecutor. ¹Any 32 county prosecutor or acting county prosecutor enrolled in the 33 Defined Contribution Retirement Program as a county prosecutor or acting county prosecutor shall be eligible for service credit in the 34 35 Prosecutors Part, except that the county prosecutor or acting county 36 prosecutor shall first pay the amount equivalent to that amount 37 contributed pursuant to section 3 of P.L.2007, c.92 (C.43:15C-3) 38 during each fiscal year of membership in the Defined Contribution 39 Retirement Program to be credited.¹ 40 A prosecutor who becomes a member of the retirement system 41 on or after the effective date of P.L.2010, c.1 shall not be a member

on or after the effective date of P.L.2010, c.1 shall not be a member
of the Prosecutors Part and the provisions of P.L.2001, c.366
(C.43:15A-155 et seq.) shall not apply to such prosecutor or the
prosecutor's beneficiary.]

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in **bold-faced brackets** [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined <u>thus</u> is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows: ¹Assembly ASL committee amendments adopted June 9, 2021.

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b. All outstanding obligations, such as loans, purchases and
other arrearage, shall be satisfied by a prosecutor as previously
scheduled for payment to the Public Employees' Retirement
System.

5 (cf: P.L.2010, c.1, s.36)

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7 2. This act shall take effect immediately.