

SENATE, No. 2104

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 22, 1997

By Senator LESNIAK

1 AN ACT concerning paid post-retirement medical benefits under the  
2 Police and Firemen's Retirement System for certain retirees and  
3 supplementing Title 43 of the Revised Statutes.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
6 *of New Jersey:*

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8 1. Notwithstanding any law, rule or regulation to the contrary, any  
9 retiree under the Police and Firemen's Retirement System on the  
10 effective date of this act who had 35 or more years of service credit in  
11 the retirement system, is not receiving employer paid post-retirement  
12 medical benefits, and had at least 25 years of service credit in the  
13 retirement system with an employer other than the employer at the  
14 time of retirement which provided paid post-retirement medical  
15 benefits to retirees under the State Health Benefits Program shall be  
16 enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program and shall receive post-  
17 retirement medical benefits paid for by the retirement system. The  
18 retirement system shall pay the premiums or periodic charges for the  
19 benefits provided to the retiree and any dependents covered under the  
20 program, but not including survivors. The retirement system shall also  
21 reimburse the retiree for premium charges under Part B of the federal  
22 Medicare program covering the retiree and the retiree's spouse.

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24 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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27 STATEMENT

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29 This bill provides that any retiree under the Police and Firemen's  
30 Retirement System on the effective date of this act who had 35 or  
31 more years of service credit in the retirement system, is not receiving  
32 employer paid post-retirement medical benefits, and had at least 25  
33 years of service credit in the retirement system with an employer other  
34 than the employer at the time of retirement which provided paid post-  
35 retirement medical benefits to retirees under the State Health Benefits  
36 Program shall be enrolled in the State Health Benefits Program and  
37 shall receive post-retirement medical benefits paid for by the

1 retirement system. The retirement system shall pay the premiums or  
2 periodic charges for the benefits provided to the retiree and any  
3 dependents covered under the program, but not including survivors.  
4 The retirement system shall also reimburse the retiree for premium  
5 charges under Part B of the federal Medicare program covering the  
6 retiree and the retiree's spouse.

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11 Provides PFRS paid post-retirement medical benefits for certain  
12 retirees.