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HOUSE BILL No. 2688

By Representative Patton

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AN ACT concerning retirement and pensions; relating to the Kansas public
employees retirement system; members of the legislature; rate of
compensation at which such members participate; amending K.S.A.
2011 Supp. 74-4992 and 74-4995 and repealing the existing sections.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

7 Section 1. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 74-4992 is hereby amended to read as 8 follows: 74-4992. (a) Any such member of the legislature or former 9 member of the legislature as described in K.S.A. 74-4991, and amendments thereto, shall become a member on entry date or upon filing 10 with the board an irrevocable election to become or not to become a 11 12 member of the system. In the event that any such member of the 13 legislature or former member of the legislature fails to file the election to 14 become a member of the retirement system, it shall be presumed that such 15 member of the legislature or former member of the legislature has elected 16 not to become a member. The election to participate shall become effective 17 immediately upon making such election, if such election is made within 14 18 days of taking the oath of office or, otherwise, on the first day of the first 19 payroll period of the first quarter following receipt of the election in the 20 office of the retirement system. On and after July 1, 2006, but prior to 21 January 8, 2007, all members of the legislature shall also make the election required by the provisions of K.S.A. 74-4995, and amendments 22 23 thereto, related to the rate of compensation at which such members shall participate for purposes of K.S.A. 74-4991 et seq., and amendments 24 25 thereto.

26 (b) Any member of the legislature who had attained membership in 27 the Kansas public employees retirement system prior to taking the oath of 28 office as a member of the legislature may elect not to participate in the 29 Kansas public employees retirement system for the purpose of service as a 30 member of the legislature. This election, which is irrevocable, must be 31 filed within the offices of the system. Any member of the legislature who 32 is a member of the retirement system on the effective date of this act and 33 was a member of the retirement system at the time of taking the oath of 34 office may elect not to participate in the retirement system for service as a 35 member of the legislature if such irrevocable election is filed within the 36 offices of the system.

1 (c) Subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,123, and amendments 2 thereto, any member of the legislature who elected not to participate in the 3 retirement system, and who is not a contributing member with any other 4 participating employer, may purchase such participating service by making 5 a single lump-sum payment in an amount determined by the actuary using 6 the then current rate of compensation and the actuarial assumptions and 7 tables currently in use by the system.

8 (d) Subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,123, and amendments 9 thereto, except as otherwise provided in this section, any member of the retirement system may purchase participating service credit for 10 employment service as described in this section, if first commenced prior 11 12 to January 1, 1996, by electing to effect such purchase by means of having employee contributions as provided in K.S.A. 74-4919, and amendments 13 14 thereto, deducted from such member's compensation at a percentage rate 15 equal to two times or three times the employee's rate of contribution as 16 provided in K.S.A. 74-4919, and amendments, thereto for such periods of 17 service in lieu of a lump-sum amount as provided in this section. Such 18 deductions shall commence at the beginning of the quarter following such 19 election and shall remain in effect until all quarters of such service have 20 been purchased. Any person may make any such purchase as described in 21 this section, if first commenced in calendar year 1996 or thereafter, at an 22 additional rate of contribution, in addition to the employee's rate of 23 contribution as provided in K.S.A. 74-4919, and amendments thereto, 24 based upon the member's attained age at the time of purchase and using 25 actuarial assumptions and tables in use by the retirement system at such 26 time of purchase, for such periods of service, in lieu of a lump-sum 27 amount as provided in this section. Such additional rate of contribution 28 shall commence at the beginning of the quarter following such election 29 and shall remain in effect until all guarters of such service have been 30 purchased.

31 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 74-4995 is hereby amended to read as 32 follows: 74-4995. (a) Employer and employee contributions shall be 33 governed by the provisions of K.S.A. 74-4919 and 74-4920, and 34 amendments thereto. For purposes of contributions to and benefits under 35 the Kansas public employees retirement system, compensation of a 36 member of the legislature under this act for all service on and after 37 January 8, 2007, shall be a monthly amount equal to: (1) The-38 compensation to which the member was entitled for services as a member 39 of the legislature during the period January 15 to February 14, inclusive, of the most recent session in which the member has served; and (2) any 40 41 amount to which the member makes an election pursuant to this-42 subsection. In addition to the provisions of subsection (a)(1), a member of 43 the legislature may elect to participate with a rate of compensation that

includes: (A) For service as a member after July 18, 1982, a monthly-1 amount equal to ⁺/₁₂ of the annualized amount received for monthly-2 allowance under subsection (c) of K.S.A. 46-137a, and amendments-3 thereto; (B) a monthly amount equal to $\frac{1}{42}$ of the annualized amount-4 received for expenses allowance under subsection (b) of K.S.A. 46-137a, 5 6 and amendments thereto; or (C) an amount equal to the combined amounts 7 provided for in subsections (2)(A) and (2)(B). A member of the legislature 8 who has filed an election to become a member of the system pursuant to 9 the provisions of K.S.A. 74-4992, and amendments thereto, prior to July 1, 2006, shall file an election with the system to include any amounts-10 specified in subsection (2)(A), (2)(B) or (2)(C) prior to August 1, 2006, 11 12 except that nothing contained in this act shall be construed to permit a member of the legislature who has made an election pursuant to this-13 14 section prior to the effective date of this act to revoke any such election 15 previously made by such member. In the event that any such member fails 16 to file such election prior to August 1, 2006, it shall be presumed that such 17 member has elected to not include any amounts specified in subsection (2) (A), (2)(B) or (2)(C), and participate at a rate of compensation that 18 19 includes only the amount provided in subsection (a)(1). A member of the 20 legislature who files an election to become a member of the system-21 pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-4992, and amendments thereto, on 22 and after July 1, 2006, shall file an election with the system to include any 23 amounts specified in subsection (2)(A), (2)(B) or (2)(C) at the same time 24 that such member files the election to become a member of the system. In 25 the event that any such member fails to file such election, it shall be presumed that such member has elected to not include any amounts-26 27 specified in subsection (2)(A), (2)(B) or (2)(C), and participate at a rate of 28 compensation that includes only the amount provided in subsection (a)(1) 29 as defined in subsection (9) of K.S.A. 74-4902, and amendments thereto. *Compensation of a member of the legislature for service prior to January* 30 8, 2007, shall be determined by the provisions of this section as it existed 31 32 prior to January 8, 2007. Any amounts deducted and remitted from 33 compensation of a member of the legislature for service under this section as it existed prior to the effective date of this act which is in excess of 34 35 compensation as defined in subsection (9) of K.S.A. 74-4902, and 36 amendments thereto, shall be refunded to such member of the legislature. 37 For service on and after January 8, 2007, no compensation which is in 38 excess of compensation as defined in subsection (9) of K.S.A. 74-4902, 39 and amendments thereto, shall be used to compute the final average salary 40 as provided in subsection (17) of K.S.A. 79-4902, and amendments 41 thereto, for any such member of the legislature. 42 (b) The employee rate of contribution shall be applied to any amounts

43 to which a member has elected pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a)

(2) such member's compensation. The employee and employer 1 contributions shall be remitted to the system quarterly with a report of 2 such contributions as may be required by the board. Any changes in a 3 member's rate of compensation and contributions as a result of any-4 5 election mandated by this section for a member of the legislature who had 6 filed an election to become a member of the system prior to July 1, 2006, 7 shall be effective on October 1, 2006. All such elections pursuant to this 8 section shall be in the form and manner prescribed by the board of 9 trustees. 10 (c) Any member of the legislature making the election pursuant to-

(c) Any member of the legislature making the election pursuant to subsection (a)(2) may not revoke such election while they remain a participating employee for service as a member of the legislature.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2011 Supp. 74-4992 and 74-4995 are hereby repealed.

14 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 15 publication in the statute book.

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