STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

January 9, 2017

Introduced by M. of A. PRETLOW -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Employees

AN ACT to amend the civil service law, in relation to authorizing past or retired school board members to purchase state health insurance after ten years

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivisions 2 and 4 of section 163 of the civil service law, subdivision 2 as amended by section 4 of part T of chapter 56 of the laws of 2010 and subdivision 4 as amended by chapter 329 of the laws of 1960, are amended to read as follows:

2. The contract or contracts shall provide for health benefits for retired employees of the state and of the state colleges of agriculture, home economics, industrial labor relations and veterinary medicine, the state agricultural experiment station at Geneva, and any other institution or agency under the management and control of Cornell university as 10 the representative of the board of trustees of the state university of 11 New York, and the state college of ceramics under the management and control of Alfred university as the representative of the board of trus-13 tees of the state university of New York, and their spouses and depend-14 ent children as defined by the regulations of the president, on such terms as the president may deem appropriate, and the president may 16 authorize the inclusion in the plan of the employees and retired employpublic authorities, public benefit corporations, school 17 districts, school board members who have served for ten years, special 18 19 districts, district corporations, municipal corporations excluding 20 active employees and retired employees of cities having a population of 21 one million or more inhabitants whose compensation is or was before 22 retirement paid out of the city treasury, or other appropriate agencies, subdivisions or quasi-public organizations of the state, including 24 active members of volunteer fire and volunteer ambulance companies serv-

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1 ing one or more municipal corporations pursuant to subdivision seven of section ninety-two-a of the general municipal law, and their spouses and dependent children as defined by the regulations of the president. Any 3 such corporation, district, school board member, agency or organization electing to participate in the plan shall be required to pay its or his or her proportionate share of the expenses of administration of the plan 7 in such amounts and at such times as determined and fixed by the president. All amounts payable for such expenses of administration shall be 9 paid to the commissioner of taxation and finance and shall be applied to 10 the reimbursement of funds previously advanced for such purposes. 11 Neither the state nor any other participant in the plan shall be charged 12 with the particular experience attributable to the employees of the 13 participant, and all dividends or retroactive rate credits shall be 14 distributed pro-rata based upon the number of employees of such partic-15 ipant covered by the plan. 16

- 4. Any public authority, public benefit corporation, school district, school board, special district, district corporation, municipal corporation, or other agency, subdivision or quasi-public organization of the state, whose employees and retired employees are authorized to be included in the plan as provided by subdivision two of this section, may elect to participate in such plan. Any such election shall be exercised 22 by the adoption of a resolution by its governing body and, in the case of any municipal corporation where a resolution of its governing body is required by law to be approved by any other body or officer, such resolution shall also be approved by such other body or officer. Any such election may be made with respect to inclusion in the plan of both its employees and its retired employees at the same time, or may be made only with respect to its employees alone and at another time with 28 respect to its retired employees. Any such authority, corporation, district, **board**, agency, subdivision or organization making election shall become a participating employer under such plan, subject to and in accordance with the regulations of the president relating thereto.
- 34 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.