

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

February 18, 2026

Introduced by Sen. JACKSON -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Higher Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to mandatory contributions for members in the optional retirement program

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

1 Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 392 of the education law is
2 amended by adding a new paragraph (e) to read as follows:

3 (e) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, (1) on and after
4 April first, two thousand twenty-six, for any electing employee who is
5 subject to paragraph (d) of this subdivision, the state shall contribute
6 an additional one percent of the employee contribution pursuant to the
7 provisions of this section on behalf of such employee; and (2) on and
8 after April first, two thousand twenty-seven, for any electing employee
9 who is subject to paragraph (d) of this subdivision, the state shall
10 contribute an additional one percent of the employee contribution pursu-
11 ant to the provisions of this section on behalf of such employee; and
12 (3) on and after April first, two thousand twenty-eight, for any elect-
13 ing employee who is subject to paragraph (d) of this subdivision, the
14 state shall contribute an additional one percent of the employee
15 contribution pursuant to the provisions of this section on behalf of
16 such employee.

17 § 2. Subdivision 2 of section 6252 of the education law is amended by
18 adding a new paragraph (e) to read as follows:

19 (e) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, (1) on and after
20 April first, two thousand twenty-six, for any electing employee who is
21 subject to paragraph (d) of this subdivision, the state shall contribute
22 an additional one percent of the employee contribution pursuant to the
23 provisions of this section on behalf of such employee; and (2) on and
24 after April first, two thousand twenty-seven, for any electing employee
25 who is subject to paragraph (d) of this subdivision, the state shall
26 contribute an additional one percent of the employee contribution pursu-
27 ant to the provisions of this section on behalf of such employee; and
28 (3) on and after April first, two thousand twenty-eight, for any elect-

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 ing employee who is subject to paragraph (d) of this subdivision, the
2 state shall contribute an additional one percent of the employee
3 contribution pursuant to the provisions of this section on behalf of
4 such employee.

5 § 3. The contribution provided for in sections one and two of this act
6 by the state and city of New York shall be provided outside the operat-
7 ing budget of the city university of New York from the state fringe
8 benefit fund and the New York city pension budget for the senior and
9 community colleges, respectively.

10 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately.