§ 1311. Election of benefit enhancements. a. The state of New York may elect to provide employees who hold a position represented by the recognized collective bargaining units affiliated with the New York state united teachers employee organization as certified by his or her employer the benefit enhancements provided for in section thirteen hundred twelve of this article.

b. Such election is made by the governor to the retirement system upon receipt of a request by the New York state united teachers employee organization.