

House Bill 3609
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Section-by-Section Analysis

HOUSE VERSION

SECTION 1. Section 812.201, Government Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(a) Except as provided by Subsection (c) or (d), a retiree may not rejoin the retirement system as a member of the class from which the person retired.

(d) A person who retired from the employee class of membership with more than 14 years of service credit and who, after retirement, resumed employment with a house of the legislature, not as an employee of an individual member, is entitled, on request to the retirement system, to resume membership in that class and receive service credit for the period served in that position after retirement. To receive the credit, the person is required to pay employee contributions, without interest, for the period of service after retirement. The contributions may be deducted from the person's annuity as recalculated under this subsection. This subsection does not apply to a person whose post-retirement service extends after January 1, 2007.

No equivalent provision.

SENATE VERSION

Same as House version.

CONFERENCE

SECTION 2. (a) A member of the Employees Retirement System of Texas who is an appointed or elected officer of the 80th Senate of the State of Texas, as determined by the Senate Journal, who has at least 20 years of service credit in the retirement system, may transfer the person's service credit to the elected class. A person who makes a transfer under this provision may continue to transfer the credit between classes before or

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SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2007.

SENATE VERSION

after retirement.

SECTION 3. Same as House version.

CONFERENCE