

SB 17 -- PUBLIC SCHOOL RETIREMENT SYSTEM

SPONSOR: Romine

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Pensions by a vote of 6 to 1. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 8 to 0.

Currently, anyone retired from the Public School Retirement System of Missouri (PSRS) may be employed by an employer included in the retirement system in a position that does not normally require a Missouri teacher certification. He or she may earn up to 60% of the statutory minimum teacher salary without a discontinuance of the person's retirement allowance.

If any such person is employed in excess of the limitations, the person shall not be eligible to receive the person's retirement allowance for any month during which the person is employed.

This bill exempts any person retired and currently receiving a retirement allowance from PSRS employed by a public community college from these provisions.

This bill contains an emergency clause.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that this bill will fix a problem with the language that was passed last session. It will add a provision that exempts anyone that retired as a teacher under the public school retirement system who is now employed by a public community college.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Romine; Missouri Community College Association; Missouri State Teachers Association; Public School Retirement System/Public Education Employee Retirement System; and Missouri National Education Association.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.