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SENATE BILL NO. 1286

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR BERNSKOETTER.

KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

AN ACT

To repeal sections 169.560 and 169.660, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to public school retirement systems.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Sections 169.560 and 169.660, RSMo, Section A. are 2 repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 169.560 and 169.660, to read as follows: 3 169.560. 1. Any person retired and currently 2 receiving a retirement allowance pursuant to sections 3 169.010 to 169.141[, other than for disability,] may be 4 employed in any capacity for an employer included in the 5 retirement system created by those sections on either a part-6 time or temporary-substitute basis not to exceed a total of 7 five hundred fifty hours in any one school year, and through 8 such employment may earn up to fifty percent of the annual 9 compensation payable under the employer's salary schedule 10 for the position or positions filled by the retiree, given such person's level of experience and education, without a 11 12 discontinuance of the person's retirement allowance. If the employer does not utilize a salary schedule, or if the 13 position in question is not subject to the employer's salary 14 15 schedule, a retiree employed in accordance with the 16 provisions of this subsection may earn up to fifty percent 17 of the annual compensation paid to the person or persons who 18 last held such position or positions, or may earn up to

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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fifty percent of the limit set for the position by the 19 20 school board of the employer. If the position or positions 21 did not previously exist, the compensation limit shall be determined in accordance with rules duly adopted by the 22 23 board of trustees of the retirement system; provided that, 24 it shall not exceed fifty percent of the annual compensation 25 payable for the position by the employer that is most comparable to the position filled by the retiree. In any 26 27 case where a retiree fills more than one position during the 28 school year, the fifty-percent limit on permitted earning shall be based solely on the annual compensation of the 29 highest paid position occupied by the retiree for at least 30 31 one-fifth of the total hours worked during the year. Such a person shall not contribute to the retirement system or to 32 the public education employee retirement system established 33 by sections 169.600 to 169.715 because of earnings during 34 such period of employment. If such a person is employed in 35 36 any capacity by such an employer in excess of the 37 limitations set forth in this subsection, the person shall not be eligible to receive the person's retirement allowance 38 39 for any month during which the person is so employed or the retirement system shall recover the amount the person earned 40 41 in excess of the limitations, whichever is less. In 42 addition, such person shall contribute to the retirement system if the person satisfies the retirement system's 43 44 membership eligibility requirements. In addition to the conditions set forth above, this subsection shall apply to 45 any person retired and currently receiving a retirement 46 47 allowance under sections 169.010 to 169.141[, other than for 48 disability,] who is employed by a third party or is performing work as an independent contractor, if such person 49 is performing work for an employer included in the 50

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51 retirement system as a temporary or long-term substitute 52 teacher or in any other position that would normally require 53 that person to be duly certificated under the laws governing the certification of teachers in Missouri if such person was 54 55 employed by the district. The retirement system may require the employer, the third-party employer, the independent 56 57 contractor, and the retiree subject to this subsection to 58 provide documentation showing compliance with this 59 subsection. If such documentation is not provided, the 60 retirement system may deem the retiree to have exceeded the limitations provided in this subsection. 61

Notwithstanding any other provision of this 62 2. section, any person retired and currently receiving a 63 retirement allowance in accordance with sections 169.010 to 64 65 169.141[, other than for disability,] may be employed by an employer included in the retirement system created by those 66 67 sections in a position that does not normally require a person employed in that position to be duly certificated 68 under the laws governing the certification of teachers in 69 Missouri, and through such employment may earn, beginning on 70 August 28, 2023, and ending on June 30, 2028, up to one 71 72 hundred thirty-three percent of the annual earnings exemption amount applicable to a Social Security recipient 73 74 before the calendar year of attainment of full retirement age under 20 CFR 404.430, and, after June 30, 2028, up to 75 76 the annual earnings exemption amount applicable to a Social 77 Security recipient before the calendar year of attainment of full retirement age under 20 CFR 404.430, without a 78 discontinuance of the person's retirement allowance from the 79 80 retirement system. The Social Security annual earnings exemption amount applied shall be the exemption amount in 81 effect for the calendar year in which the school year 82

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83 begins. Such person shall not contribute to the retirement 84 system or to the public education employee retirement system 85 established by sections 169.600 to 169.715 because of earnings during such period of employment, and such person 86 87 shall not earn membership service for such employment. The employer's contribution rate shall be paid by the hiring 88 89 employer into the public education employee retirement 90 system established by sections 169.600 to 169.715. If such 91 a person is employed in any capacity by an employer in 92 excess of the limitations set forth in this subsection, the person shall not be eligible to receive the person's 93 retirement allowance for any month during which the person 94 is so employed or the retirement system shall recover the 95 96 amount the person earned in excess of the limitations, 97 whichever is less. In addition, such person shall become a 98 member of and contribute to any retirement system described 99 in this subsection if the person satisfies the retirement system's membership eligibility requirements. 100 The 101 provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any person retired and currently receiving a retirement allowance in 102 103 accordance with sections 169.010 to 169.141 employed by a 104 public community college or employer under subsection 4 of 105 section 169.130.

169.660. 1. On and after the first day of July next following the operative date, any member who is sixty or 2 3 more years of age and who has at least five years of 4 creditable service, or who has attained age fifty-five and has at least twenty-five years of creditable service, or who 5 6 has at least thirty years of creditable service regardless 7 of age may retire and receive the full retirement benefits based on the member's creditable service. A member whose 8 creditable service at retirement is less than five years 9

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10 shall not be entitled to a retirement allowance but shall be 11 entitled to receive the member's contributions.

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12 2. Any person retired and currently receiving a retirement allowance pursuant to sections 169.600 to 13 169.715[, other than for disability,] may be employed on 14 either a part-time or temporary-substitute basis by a 15 district included in the retirement system not to exceed a 16 17 total of five hundred fifty hours in any one school year, without a discontinuance of the person's retirement 18 19 allowance. Such a person shall not contribute to the retirement system, or to the public school retirement system 20 established by sections 169.010 to 169.141, because of 21 22 earnings during such period of employment. If such a person is employed in any capacity by such a district on a regular, 23 full-time basis, or the person's part-time or temporary-24 25 substitute service in any capacity exceeds five hundred 26 fifty hours in any one school year, the person shall not be eligible to receive the person's retirement allowance for 27 any month during which the person is so employed or the 28 29 retirement system shall recover the amount the person earned in excess of the limitations, whichever is less. 30

31 3. The system shall pay a monthly retirement allowance
32 for the month in which a retired member or beneficiary
33 receiving a retirement allowance dies.

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