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LEGISLATIVE BILL 242

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Committee: Nebraska Retirement Systems

A BILL

- FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement Act;

 to amend section 81-2025, Reissue Revised Statutes of

 Nebraska; to change the mandatory retirement age to

 sixty-five years of age; to provide an operative date; to

 repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.
- Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 81-2025, Reissue Revised Statutes of

- 2 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 3 81-2025 (1) Every officer who has been in the employ of
- 4 the state as such and who becomes disabled and physically unfit to
- 5 perform the duties of an officer shall be entitled to retire and
- 6 receive an annuity as provided by law.
- 7 (2) Every officer who has been in the employ of the state
- 8 as such for ten years or more, as calculated in section 81-2033,
- 9 and has attained the age of fifty years or more shall be entitled
- 10 to retire and receive an annuity as provided by law. The right to
- 11 retire at the age of fifty years shall be at the option of the
- 12 officer but such retirement shall be mandatory upon the officer
- 13 attaining the age of sixty sixty-five years.
- 14 (3) Any officer who has attained the age of sixty
- 15 sixty-five years upon his or her separation from state service but
- 16 who has not been in the employ of the state for ten years as such
- 17 shall be entitled to the annuity as provided for in the Nebraska
- 18 State Patrol Retirement Act.
- 19 (4) Every officer who has been in the employ of the state
- 20 as such for twenty-five years or more, as calculated in section
- 21 81-2033, and has attained the age of fifty years shall be entitled
- 22 to retire and receive an annuity as provided by law. The right to
- 23 retire at the age of fifty years with twenty-five years or more of
- 24 creditable service shall be at the option of the officer but such
- 25 retirement shall be mandatory upon the officer attaining the age of

- 1 sixty sixty-five years.
- 2 (5) Every officer who has been in the employ of the state
- 3 as such for thirty years or more, as calculated in section 81-2033,
- 4 shall be entitled to retire and receive an annuity as provided by
- 5 law. The right to retire with thirty years or more of creditable
- 6 service shall be at the option of the officer but such retirement
- 7 shall be mandatory upon the officer attaining the age of sixty
- 8 sixty-five years.
- 9 (6) Payment of any benefit provided under the act may
- 10 not be deferred later than April 1 of the year following the
- 11 year in which the officer has both attained at least age seventy
- 12 and one-half years and terminated his or her employment with the
- 13 Nebraska State Patrol.
- 14 (7) The effective date of retirement payments shall be
- 15 the first day of the month following (a) the date a member
- 16 qualifies for retirement as provided in this section or (b) the
- 17 date upon which a member's request for retirement is received on
- 18 an application form provided by the system, whichever is later. An
- 19 application may be filed no more than ninety days in advance of
- 20 qualifying for retirement.
- 21 (8) The board shall make reasonable efforts to locate
- 22 the officer or the officer's beneficiary and distribute benefits by
- 23 the required beginning date as specified by section 401(a)(9) of
- 24 the Internal Revenue Code and the regulations issued thereunder. If
- 25 the board is unable to make such a distribution, the account shall

1 be distributed pursuant to the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed

- 2 Property Act and no amounts may be applied to increase the benefits
- 3 any officer would otherwise receive under the Nebraska State Patrol
- 4 Retirement Act.
- 5 Sec. 2. This act becomes operative on July 1, 2009.
- 6 Sec. 3. Original section 81-2025, Reissue Revised
- 7 Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.
- 8 Sec. 4. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect
- 9 when passed and approved according to law.