By: Anchía H.B. No. 4653

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to participation in a deferred retirement option plan by

3 members of the retirement systems for police and fire fighters in

4 certain municipalities.

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5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

6 SECTION 1. Section 6.14(c), Article 6243a-1, Revised

7 Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

8 (c) Each month after a member has made an election to

participate in the DROP and indicated a desire to receive a

10 retirement pension under Sections 6.01(b) and (c), Section 6.01(e),

11 or Section 6.02(b), (c), (d), or (e) of this article, whichever is

applicable, and through the month before the month in which the

13 member leaves active service, an amount equal to the retirement

14 pension the member would have received under the applicable

15 subsection for that month if the member had left active service and

16 been granted a retirement pension by the board on the effective date

17 of DROP participation shall be credited to a separate DROP account

18 maintained within the fund for the benefit of the member. Amounts

19 held in the DROP account of a member shall be credited at the end of

20 each calendar month. Notwithstanding this section, effective

21 January 1, 2018, a member on active service who has $20 \, [10]$ years or

22 more of participation in DROP shall no longer have the amount of the

23 member's retirement pension credited to the member's DROP account

24 while the member is on active service.

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- SECTION 2. Section 6.14(c), Article 6243a-1, Revised
- 2 Statutes, as amended by this Act, applies to a member who
- 3 participates in the deferred retirement option plan established
- 4 under that section regardless of whether the member began
- 5 participation in the plan before, on, or after the effective date of
- 6 this Act.
- 7 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.