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H.B. No. 73

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to public financing of public education employee retirement; making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. Section 825.404(a), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) During each fiscal year, the state shall contribute to the retirement system an amount sufficient to fund the liability of the retirement system for service retirement benefits, disability retirement benefits, and death benefits provided under this subtitle for members, retirees, and beneficiaries during the fiscal year in which the contribution is made. The amount must be equal to at least six [and not more than 10] percent of the aggregate annual compensation of all members of the retirement system during that fiscal year, and may not be less than the amount necessary to satisfy the requirement of this subsection.

SECTION 2. In addition to the estimated amounts appropriated for the following purpose by S.B. No. 1, Acts of the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005, the additional amount of \$300 million is appropriated out of the general revenue fund to the Teacher Retirement System of Texas for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2006, for the purpose of making retirement contributions for public education employees.

SECTION 3. Section 825.404(a), as amended by this Act,

1 applies beginning with the 2007–2008 fiscal year.

2 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
3 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
4 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
5 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
6 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the last day of the
7 legislative session.