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H.B. No. 604

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to participation as an annuitant under the Texas Employees  
3 Group Benefits Act.

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

5 SECTION 1. PARTICIPATION OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS EMPLOYED  
6 AFTER ENACTMENT OF CHAPTER 1231, ACTS OF THE 77TH LEGISLATURE,  
7 REGULAR SESSION, 2001. Notwithstanding Section 1551.102, Insurance  
8 Code, or any other law, an individual is eligible to participate as  
9 an annuitant in the group benefits program under Chapter 1551,  
10 Insurance Code, if:

11 (1) the individual was initially employed on or after  
12 September 1, 2001, but before September 10, 2001, by a school  
13 district that operates schools at facilities of the Texas  
14 Department of Criminal Justice for the education of persons  
15 confined or imprisoned in those facilities;

16 (2) the individual is continuously employed by that  
17 school district until September 1, 2005, or a later date; and

18 (3) on the date the individual seeks to participate as  
19 an annuitant, the individual would be eligible to participate as an  
20 annuitant under former Section 3(a)(2), Texas Employees Uniform  
21 Group Insurance Benefits Act (Article 3.50-2, Vernon's Texas  
22 Insurance Code), as that section existed immediately before  
23 amendment by Section 27, Chapter 1231, Acts of the 77th  
24 Legislature, Regular Session, 2001.

1 SECTION 2. EXPIRATION. This Act expires December 31, 2011.

2 SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect September

3 1, 2005.