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H.B. No. 4428

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to eligibility of certain professional librarian faculty
3 members of public institutions of higher education to participate
4 in the group benefits program for state employees.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 1551.1021, Insurance Code, is amended by
7 adding Subsection (a-1) to read as follows:

8 (a-1) Notwithstanding Subsections (a)(2) and (3), an
9 adjunct faculty member at a public institution of higher education
10 who is a professional librarian is eligible to participate in the
11 group benefits program as an employee if the faculty member
12 receives compensation for services rendered to a public institution
13 of higher education as an adjunct faculty member.

14 SECTION 2. The board of trustees of the Employees
15 Retirement System of Texas shall include coverage under Section
16 1551.1021, Insurance Code, as amended by this Act, in an insurance
17 policy or contract or evidence of coverage delivered, issued for
18 delivery, or renewed on or after January 1, 2010. The board of
19 trustees may include coverage under Section 1551.1021, Insurance
20 Code, as amended by this Act, in an insurance policy or contract or
21 an evidence of coverage delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed
22 before January 1, 2010, if the board of trustees determines that the
23 coverage may reasonably be included.

24 SECTION 3. Except as otherwise provided by this Act, this

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1 Act takes effect September 1, 2009.