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Substitute the following for S.B. No. 1664:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to the powers and duties of and contributions to and
- 3 benefits from the systems and programs administered by the
- 4 Employees Retirement System of Texas.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 609, Government Code, is
- 7 amended by adding Section 609.015 to read as follows:
- 8 Sec. 609.015. BENEFICIARY CAUSING DEATH OF PARTICIPATING
- 9 EMPLOYEE. (a) Any benefits, funds, or account balances payable on
- 10 the death of a participating employee may not be paid to a person
- 11 convicted of or adjudicated as having caused that death but instead
- 12 are payable as if the convicted person had predeceased the
- 13 <u>decedent.</u>
- 14 (b) The plan is not required to change the recipient of any
- 15 benefits, funds, or account balances under this section unless it
- 16 receives actual notice of the conviction or adjudication of a
- 17 beneficiary. However, the plan may delay payment of any benefits,
- 18 funds, or account balances payable on the death of a participating
- 19 employee pending the results of a criminal investigation or civil
- 20 proceeding and other legal proceedings relating to the cause of
- 21 death.
- (c) For the purposes of this section, a person has been
- 23 convicted of or adjudicated as having caused the death of a
- 24 participating employee if the person:

- 1 (1) pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found
- 2 guilty by a court or jury in a criminal proceeding of, causing the
- 3 death of the participating employee, regardless of whether sentence
- 4 is imposed or probated, and no appeal of the conviction is pending
- 5 and the time provided for appeal has expired; or
- 6 (2) is found liable by a court or jury in a civil
- 7 proceeding for causing the death of the participating employee and
- 8 no appeal of the judgement is pending and the time provided for
- 9 appeal has expired.
- 10 SECTION 2. Subsection (c), Section 659.140, Government
- 11 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 12 (c) The [Each member of the] state policy committee must:
- 13 <u>(1)</u> be <u>composed of employees and retired state</u>
- 14 employees receiving benefits under Chapter 814; and
- 15 <u>(2)</u> [a state employee. The membership must] represent
- 16 employees at different levels of employee classification.
- 17 SECTION 3. Subsection (b), Section 659.143, Government
- 18 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 19 (b) The presiding officer of a local employee committee
- 20 shall recruit at least five but not more than 10 additional members.
- 21 The members must represent different levels of employee
- 22 classification. One or more members may be retired state employees
- 23 receiving retirement benefits under Chapter 814.
- SECTION 4. Section 811.010, Government Code, as added by
- 25 Chapter 232 (S.B. 1589), Acts of the 81st Legislature, Regular
- 26 Session, 2009, is redesignated as Section 811.012, Government Code,
- 27 and amended to read as follows:

- 1 Sec. 811.012 [811.010]. PROVISION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION
- 2 TO COMPTROLLER. (a) Not later than June 1, 2016, and once every
- 3 five years after that date [of each year], the retirement system
- 4 shall provide to the comptroller, for the purpose of assisting the
- 5 comptroller in the identification of persons entitled to unclaimed
- 6 property reported to the comptroller, the name, address, social
- 7 security number, and date of birth of each member, retiree, and
- 8 beneficiary from the retirement system's records.
- 9 (b) Information provided to the comptroller under this
- 10 section is confidential and may not be disclosed to the public.
- 11 (c) The retirement system shall provide the information in
- 12 the format prescribed by rule of the comptroller.
- SECTION 5. Section 813.404, Government Code, is amended to
- 14 read as follows:
- 15 Sec. 813.404. CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SERVICE NOT PREVIOUSLY
- 16 ESTABLISHED. For each month of membership, military, or equivalent
- 17 membership service not previously credited in the retirement
- 18 system, a member claiming credit in the elected class shall pay a
- 19 contribution in an amount equal to the greater of:
- 20 (1) eight percent of the monthly salary paid to
- 21 members of the legislature at the time the credit is established; or
- 22 (2) the appropriate member contribution provided by
- 23 Section 815.402 for [six percent of the monthly state salary paid
- 24 to] a person who holds, at the time the credit is established, the
- 25 office for which credit is sought.
- SECTION 6. Subsection (a), Section 813.505, Government
- 27 Code, is amended to read as follows:

- 1 (a) A member claiming credit in the employee class for
- 2 membership service not previously established shall, for each month
- 3 of the service, pay a contribution in an amount equal to the greater
- 4 of:
- 5 (1) the appropriate member contribution provided by
- 6 Section 815.402 [six percent of the member's monthly state
- 7 compensation] for the service during the time for which credit is
- 8 sought; or
- 9 (2) \$18.
- SECTION 7. Subsections (a), (c), (d), and (e), Section
- 11 814.007, Government Code, are amended to read as follows:
- 12 (a) Any benefits, funds, or account balances [A benefit]
- 13 payable on the death of a member or annuitant may not be paid to a
- 14 person convicted of or adjudicated as having caused [causing] that
- 15 death but instead $\underline{\text{are}}$ [$\underline{\text{is}}$] payable as if the convicted person had
- 16 predeceased the decedent.
- 17 (c) The retirement system shall reduce any annuity computed
- 18 in part on the age of the convicted or adjudicated person to a lump
- 19 sum equal to the present value of the remainder of the annuity. The
- 20 reduced amount is payable to a person entitled as provided by this
- 21 section to receive the benefit.
- 22 (d) The retirement system is not required to change the
- 23 recipient of <u>any</u> benefits, funds, or account balances under this
- 24 section unless it receives actual notice of the conviction or
- 25 <u>adjudication</u> of a beneficiary. However, the retirement system may
- 26 delay payment of any benefits, funds, or account balances [a
- 27 benefit] payable on the death of a member or annuitant pending the

- 1 results of a criminal investigation or civil proceeding and other
- 2 [of] legal proceedings relating to the cause of death.
- 3 (e) For the purposes of this section, a person has been
- 4 convicted of or adjudicated as having caused [causing] the death of
- 5 a member or annuitant if the person:
- 6 (1) pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found
- 7 guilty by a court or jury in a criminal proceeding of, causing the
- 8 death of the member or annuitant, regardless of whether sentence is
- 9 imposed or probated, [+] and
- 10 $\left[\frac{(2)}{has}\right]$ no appeal of the conviction <u>is</u> pending and
- 11 the time provided for appeal has expired; or
- 12 (2) is found liable by a court or jury in a civil
- 13 proceeding for causing the death of the member or annuitant and no
- 14 appeal of the judgment is pending and the time provided for appeal
- 15 <u>has expired</u>.
- SECTION 8. The heading to Section 814.009, Government Code,
- 17 is amended to read as follows:
- 18 Sec. 814.009. DEDUCTION FROM ANNUITY FOR STATE EMPLOYEE
- 19 ORGANIZATION.
- SECTION 9. Subchapter A, Chapter 814, Government Code, is
- 21 amended by adding Sections 814.0095 and 814.0096 to read as
- 22 follows:
- 23 <u>Sec. 814.0095. CHARITABLE DEDUCTION FROM ANNUITY.</u>
- 24 (a) Except as provided by Section 814.0096(c), a person who
- 25 receives an annuity under this subchapter may, on a printed or
- 26 <u>electronic form filed with the retirement system</u>, authorize the
- 27 retirement system to deduct from the person's monthly annuity

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- 1 payment the amount of a contribution to the state employee
- 2 charitable campaign in the manner and for the same purposes for
- 3 which a state employee may authorize deductions to that campaign
- 4 under Subchapter I, Chapter 659.
- 5 (b) An authorization under this section must direct the
- 6 board of trustees to deposit the deducted funds with the
- 7 comptroller for distribution as required by Section 659.132(g) in
- 8 the same manner in which a state employee's deduction is
- 9 distributed.
- 10 (c) An authorization under this section remains in effect
- 11 for the period described by Section 659.137 unless the person
- 12 revokes the authorization by giving notice to the board of
- 13 trustees.
- 14 (d) The board of trustees may adopt rules to administer this
- 15 section. Any rules adopted must be consistent with the
- 16 <u>comptroller's rules related to the state employee charitable</u>
- 17 campaign.
- 18 Sec. 814.0096. COORDINATION WITH STATE EMPLOYEE CHARITABLE
- 19 CAMPAIGN POLICY COMMITTEE. (a) The board of trustees and the
- 20 state employee charitable campaign policy committee established
- 21 under Section 659.140 shall coordinate responsibility for the
- 22 administration of charitable deductions from annuity payments to
- 23 the state employee charitable campaign under Section 814.0095.
- 24 (b) The state employee charitable campaign policy committee
- 25 is authorized to approve a budget that includes funding for as many
- 26 of the expenses incurred by the retirement system associated with
- 27 the implementation and administration of annuitants' participation

- 1 in the state employee charitable campaign as is practicable,
- 2 including notification of annuitants.
- 3 (c) Except as provided by this subsection, the board of
- 4 trustees shall charge an administrative fee to cover any costs not
- 5 paid under Subsection (b) in the implementation of Section 814.0095
- 6 to the charitable organizations participating in the state employee
- 7 charitable campaign conducted under that section in the same
- 8 proportion that the contributions to that charitable organization
- 9 bear to the total of contributions in that campaign. The board of
- 10 trustees shall determine the most efficient and effective method of
- 11 collecting the administrative fee and shall adopt rules for the
- 12 implementation of this subsection.
- 13 <u>(d) If necessary, the board of trustees and the state</u>
- 14 employee charitable campaign policy committee may make the annuity
- 15 deduction authorization under Section 814.0095(a) available in
- 16 stages to subgroups of the retirement system's annuity recipients
- 17 as money becomes available to cover the expenses under Subsection
- 18 <u>(b)</u>.
- 19 SECTION 10. Subsection (d), Section 814.104, Government
- 20 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 21 (d) Except as provided by Section 814.102 or by rule adopted
- 22 under Section 813.304(d) or 803.202(a)(2), a member who was not a
- 23 member on the date hired, was hired on or after September 1, 2009,
- 24 and has service credit in the retirement system is eligible to
- 25 retire and receive a service retirement annuity if the member:
- 26 (1) is at least 65 years old and has at least 10 years
- 27 of service credit in the employee class; or

- 1 (2) has at least $\underline{10}$ [5] years of service credit in the
- 2 employee class and the sum of the member's age and amount of service
- 3 credit in the employee class, including months of age and credit,
- 4 equals or exceeds the number 80.
- 5 SECTION 11. Subsection (d), Section 814.1075, Government
- 6 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 (d) The standard combined service retirement annuity that
- 8 is payable under this section is based on retirement at either the
- 9 age of 55 or the age at which the sum of the member's age and amount
- 10 of service credit in the employee class equals or exceeds the number
- 11 80. The annuity of a law enforcement or custodial officer who
- 12 retires before reaching the age of 55 under any eligibility
- 13 criteria is actuarially reduced by five percent for each year the
- 14 member retires before the member reaches age 55, with a maximum
- 15 possible reduction of 25 percent. The actuarial reduction
- 16 <u>described</u> by this section is in addition to any other actuarial
- 17 reduction required by law.
- 18 SECTION 12. Section 815.303, Government Code, is amended to
- 19 read as follows:
- Sec. 815.303. SECURITIES LENDING. (a) The retirement
- 21 system may, in the exercise of its constitutional discretion to
- 22 manage the assets of the retirement system, select one or more
- 23 commercial banks, depository trust companies, or other entities to
- 24 serve as custodian or custodians of the system's securities and to
- 25 lend the securities under rules or policies adopted by the board of
- 26 trustees and as required by this section.
- 27 (b) To be eligible to lend securities under this section, a

- 1 bank or brokerage firm must:
- 2 (1) be experienced in the operation of a fully secured
- 3 securities loan program;
- 4 (2) maintain adequate capital in the prudent judgment
- 5 of the retirement system to assure the safety of the securities;
- 6 (3) execute an indemnification agreement satisfactory
- 7 in form and content to the retirement system fully indemnifying the
- 8 retirement system against loss resulting from borrower default in
- 9 its operation of a securities loan program for the system's
- 10 securities; and
- 11 (4) require any securities broker or dealer to whom it
- 12 lends securities belonging to the retirement system to deliver to
- 13 and maintain with the custodian or securities lending agent
- 14 collateral in the form of cash or [United States government]
- 15 securities that are obligations of the United States or agencies or
- 16 <u>instrumentalities of the United States</u> in an amount equal to <u>but</u> not
- 17 less than 100 percent of the market value, from time to time, as
- 18 determined by the retirement system, of the loaned securities.
- 19 SECTION 13. Section 815.402, Government Code, is amended by
- 20 adding Subsections (a-1) and (h-1) to read as follows:
- 21 (a-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (a)(1), if the state
- 22 contribution to the retirement system is computed using a
- 23 percentage less than 6.5 percent for the state fiscal year
- 24 beginning September 1, 2011, the member's contribution is not
- 25 required to be computed using a percentage equal to the percentage
- 26 used to compute the state contribution for that biennium. This
- 27 subsection expires September 1, 2012.

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- 1 (h-1) Notwithstanding Subsection (h), if the state
- 2 contribution to the law enforcement and custodial officer
- 3 supplemental retirement fund is computed using a percentage less
- 4 than 0.5 percent for the state fiscal year beginning September 1,
- 5 2011, the member's contribution is not required to be computed
- 6 using a percentage equal to the percentage used to compute the state
- 7 contribution for that biennium. This subsection expires September
- 8 1, 2012.
- 9 SECTION 14. Subchapter D, Chapter 834, Government Code, is
- 10 amended by adding Section 834.305 to read as follows:
- 11 Sec. 834.305. BENEFICIARY CAUSING DEATH OF MEMBER OR
- 12 ANNUITANT. (a) Any benefits, funds, or account balances payable
- 13 on the death of a member or annuitant may not be paid to a person
- 14 convicted of or adjudicated as having caused that death but instead
- 15 are payable as if the convicted person had predeceased the
- 16 <u>decedent</u>.
- 17 (b) A person who becomes eligible under this section to
- 18 select death or survivor benefits may select benefits as if the
- 19 person were the designated beneficiary.
- 20 (c) The retirement system shall reduce any annuity computed
- 21 in part on the age of the convicted or adjudicated person to a lump
- 22 sum equal to the present value of the remainder of the annuity. The
- 23 reduced amount is payable to a person entitled as provided by this
- 24 section to receive the benefit.
- 25 (d) The retirement system is not required to change the
- 26 recipient of any benefits, funds, or account balances under this
- 27 section unless it receives actual notice of the conviction or

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- 1 adjudication of a beneficiary. However, the retirement system may
- 2 delay payment of any benefits, funds, or account balances payable
- 3 on the death of a member or annuitant pending the results of a
- 4 criminal investigation or civil proceeding and other legal
- 5 proceedings relating to the cause of death.
- 6 (e) For the purposes of this section, a person has been
- 7 convicted of or adjudicated as having caused the death of a member
- 8 or annuitant if the person:
- 9 (1) pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found
- 10 guilty by a court or jury in a criminal proceeding of, causing the
- 11 death of the member or annuitant, regardless of whether sentence is
- 12 imposed or probated, and no appeal of the conviction is pending and
- 13 the time provided for appeal has expired; or
- 14 (2) is found liable by a court or jury in a civil
- 15 proceeding for causing the death of the member or annuitant and no
- 16 appeal of the judgment is pending and the time provided for appeal
- 17 has expired.
- 18 SECTION 15. Subchapter D, Chapter 839, Government Code, is
- 19 amended by adding Section 839.306 to read as follows:
- Sec. 839.306. BENEFICIARY CAUSING DEATH OF MEMBER OR
- 21 ANNUITANT. (a) Any benefits, funds, or account balances payable
- 22 on the death of a member or annuitant may not be paid to a person
- 23 convicted of or adjudicated as having caused that death but instead
- 24 are payable as if the convicted person had predeceased the
- 25 decedent.
- 26 (b) A person who becomes eligible under this section to
- 27 select death or survivor benefits may select benefits as if the

- 1 person were the designated beneficiary.
- 2 (c) The retirement system shall reduce any annuity computed
- 3 in part on the age of the convicted or adjudicated person to a lump
- 4 sum equal to the present value of the remainder of the annuity. The
- 5 reduced amount is payable to a person entitled as provided by this
- 6 section to receive the benefit.
- 7 (d) The retirement system is not required to change the
- 8 recipient of any benefits, funds, or account balances under this
- 9 section unless it receives actual notice of the conviction or
- 10 <u>adjudication of a beneficiary.</u> However, the retirement system may
- 11 delay payment of any benefits, funds, or account balances payable
- 12 on the death of a member or annuitant pending the results of a
- 13 criminal investigation or civil proceeding and other legal
- 14 proceedings relating to the cause of death.
- (e) For the purposes of this section, a person has been
- 16 convicted of or adjudicated as having caused the death of a member
- 17 or annuitant if the person:
- 18 (1) pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found
- 19 guilty by a court or jury in a criminal proceeding of, causing the
- 20 death of the member or annuitant, regardless of whether sentence is
- 21 imposed or probated, and no appeal of the conviction is pending and
- 22 the time provided for appeal has expired; or
- 23 (2) is found liable by a court or jury in a civil
- 24 proceeding for causing the death of the member or annuitant and no
- 25 appeal of the judgment is pending and the time provided for appeal
- 26 has expired.
- 27 SECTION 16. Subsection (a), Section 1551.004, Insurance

- 1 Code, is amended to read as follows:
- 2 (a) In this chapter, "dependent" with respect to an
- 3 individual eligible to participate in the group benefits program
- 4 [under Section 1551.101 or 1551.102] means the individual's:
- 5 (1) spouse;
- 6 (2) unmarried child younger than 26 = 25 years of age;
- 7 (3) child of any age who the board of trustees
- 8 determines lives with or has the child's care provided by the
- 9 individual on a regular basis if:
- 10 (A) the child is mentally [retarded] or
- 11 physically incapacitated to the extent that the child is dependent
- 12 on the individual for care or support, as determined by the board of
- 13 trustees;
- 14 (B) the child's coverage under this chapter has
- 15 not lapsed; and
- 16 (C) the child is at least 26 = 25 years old and
- 17 was enrolled as a participant in the health benefits coverage under
- 18 the group benefits program on the date of the child's 26th [25th]
- 19 birthday;
- 20 (4) child of any age who is unmarried, for purposes of
- 21 health benefit coverage under this chapter, on expiration of the
- 22 child's continuation coverage under the Consolidated Omnibus
- 23 Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (Pub. L. No. 99-272) and its
- 24 subsequent amendments; and
- 25 (5) ward, as that term is defined by Section 601, Texas
- 26 Probate Code, who is 26 years of age or younger.
- 27 SECTION 17. Subchapter B, Chapter 1551, Insurance Code, is

- 1 amended by adding Section 1551.068 to read as follows:
- 2 Sec. 1551.068. QUALIFICATION OF GROUP BENEFITS PROGRAM.
- 3 Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter or any other law, it
- 4 is intended that the provisions of this chapter be construed and
- 5 administered in a manner that coverages under the group benefits
- 6 program will be considered in compliance with applicable federal
- 7 law. The board of trustees may adopt rules that modify the coverage
- 8 provided under the program by adding, deleting, or changing a
- 9 provision of the program, including rules that modify eligibility
- 10 and enrollment requirements and the benefits available under the
- 11 program.
- 12 SECTION 18. Section 1551.220, Insurance Code, is amended to
- 13 read as follows:
- 14 Sec. 1551.220. BENEFICIARY CAUSING DEATH OF PARTICIPANT OR
- 15 BENEFICIARY OF PARTICIPANT. (a) Any benefits, funds, or account
- 16 <u>balances</u> [A benefit] payable on the death of a participant or the
- 17 beneficiary of a participant in the group benefits program may not
- 18 be paid to a person convicted of or adjudicated as having caused
- 19 [causing] that death but instead are [is] payable as if the
- 20 convicted person had predeceased the decedent.
- 21 (b) The Employees Retirement System of Texas is not required
- 22 to change the recipient of <u>any</u> benefits, funds, or account balances
- 23 under this section unless it receives actual notice of the
- 24 conviction or adjudication of a beneficiary. However, the
- 25 retirement system may delay payment of any benefits, funds, or
- 26 account balances [a benefit] payable on the death of a participant
- 27 or beneficiary of a participant pending the results of a criminal

- 1 investigation or civil proceeding and other [of] legal proceedings
- 2 relating to the cause of death.
- 3 (c) For the purposes of this section, a person has been
- 4 convicted of or adjudicated as having caused [causing] the death of
- 5 a participant or beneficiary of a participant if the person:
- 6 (1) pleads guilty or nolo contendere to, or is found
- 7 guilty by a court or jury in a criminal proceeding of, causing the
- 8 death of the participant or beneficiary of a participant,
- 9 regardless of whether sentence is imposed or probated, [+] and
- 10 $\left[\frac{(2)}{\text{has}}\right]$ no appeal of the conviction is pending and
- 11 the time provided for appeal has expired; or
- 12 (2) is found liable by a court or jury in a civil
- 13 proceeding for causing the death of the member or annuitant and no
- 14 appeal of the judgment is pending and the time provided for appeal
- 15 <u>has expired</u>.
- 16 SECTION 19. Subchapter E, Chapter 1551, Insurance Code, is
- 17 amended by adding Section 1551.226 to read as follows:
- Sec. 1551.226. TOBACCO CESSATION COVERAGE. (a) The board
- 19 of trustees shall develop a plan for providing under any health
- 20 benefit plan provided under the group benefits program tobacco
- 21 <u>cessation coverage for participants.</u>
- 22 <u>(b) The plan developed under Subsection (a) must include</u>
- 23 coverage for prescription drugs that aid participants in ceasing
- 24 the use of tobacco products.
- 25 SECTION 20. Subchapter G, Chapter 1551, Insurance Code, is
- 26 amended by adding Section 1551.3075 to read as follows:
- Sec. 1551.3075. TOBACCO USER PREMIUM DIFFERENTIAL.

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- 1 (a) The board of trustees shall assess each participant in a
- 2 health benefit plan provided under the group benefits program who
- 3 <u>uses one or more tobacco products a tobacco user premium</u>
- 4 differential, to be paid in monthly installments. Except as
- 5 provided by Subsection (b), the board of trustees shall determine
- 6 the amount of the monthly installments of the premium differential.
- 7 (b) If the General Appropriations Act for a state fiscal
- 8 biennium sets the amount of the monthly installments of the tobacco
- 9 user premium differential for that biennium, the board of trustees
- 10 shall assess the premium differential during that biennium in the
- 11 amount prescribed by the General Appropriations Act.
- 12 SECTION 21. Subchapter G, Chapter 1551, Insurance Code, is
- 13 amended by adding Section 1551.3076 to read as follows:
- 14 Sec. 1551.3076. EMPLOYER ENROLLMENT FEE. (a) The board of
- 15 trustees shall assess each employer whose employees participate in
- 16 the group benefits program an employer enrollment fee in an amount
- 17 not to exceed a percentage of the employer's total payroll, as
- 18 determined by the General Appropriations Act.
- 19 (b) The board of trustees shall deposit the enrollment fees
- 20 to the credit of the employees life, accident, and health insurance
- 21 and benefits fund to be used for the purposes specified by Section
- 22 1551.401.
- SECTION 22. Section 1551.314, Insurance Code, is amended to
- 24 read as follows:
- Sec. 1551.314. CERTAIN STATE CONTRIBUTIONS PROHIBITED. A
- 26 state contribution may not be:
- 27 (1) made for coverages under this chapter selected by

- 1 an individual who receives a state contribution[, other than as a
- 2 spouse, dependent, or beneficiary, or coverages under a group
- 3 benefits program provided by another state health plan or by an
- 4 institution of higher education, as defined by Section 61.003,
- 5 Education Code; or
- 6 (2) made for or used to pay a tobacco user premium
- 7 <u>differential assessed under Section 1551.3075</u>.
- 8 SECTION 23. The change in law made by Sections 609.015,
- 9 834.305, and 839.306, Government Code, as added by this Act, and
- 10 Sections 814.007, Government Code, and 1551.220, Insurance Code, as
- 11 amended by this Act, applies only to an offense committed on or
- 12 after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before
- 13 the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on
- 14 the date the offense was committed, and the former law is continued
- 15 in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an
- 16 offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any
- 17 element of the offense occurred before that date.
- 18 SECTION 24. (a) The board of trustees of the Employees
- 19 Retirement System of Texas, in cooperation with the comptroller of
- 20 public accounts and the state employee charitable campaign policy
- 21 committee established under Section 659.140, Government Code, as
- 22 amended by this Act, may adopt rules to implement Sections 814.0095
- 23 and 814.0096, Government Code, as added by this Act.
- 24 (b) The board of trustees of the Employees Retirement System
- 25 of Texas by rule shall designate the start date on which annuity
- 26 deductions begin under Sections 814.0095 and 814.0096, Government
- 27 Code, as added by this Act.

- 1 SECTION 25. (a) Subsection (d), Section 814.104,
- 2 Government Code, as amended by this Act, applies only to a member of
- 3 the Employees Retirement System of Texas who retires on or after the
- 4 effective date of this Act.
- 5 (b) A member of the Employees Retirement System of Texas who
- 6 retires before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law
- 7 as it existed immediately before the effective date of this Act, and
- 8 that law is continued in effect for that purpose.
- 9 SECTION 26. The board of trustees of the Employees
- 10 Retirement System of Texas shall develop and fully implement the
- 11 plan for providing tobacco cessation coverage as required by
- 12 Section 1551.226, Insurance Code, as added by this Act, and
- 13 implement the tobacco user premium differential required under
- 14 Section 1551.3075, Insurance Code, as added by this Act, not later
- 15 than January 1, 2012.
- 16 SECTION 27. To the extent of any conflict, this Act prevails
- 17 over another Act of the 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, 2011,
- 18 relating to nonsubstantive additions to and corrections in enacted
- 19 codes.
- 20 SECTION 28. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.