By: Muñoz, Jr. H.B. No. 2810

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the inclusion of overtime pay in the computation of

3 benefits for members of the Employees Retirement System of Texas.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 811.001(7), Government Code, is amended

6 to read as follows:

7 (7) "Compensation" means the base salary of a person;

8 overtime pay; amounts that would otherwise qualify as compensation

9 but are not received directly by a person pursuant to a good faith,

10 voluntary, written salary reduction agreement in order to finance

11 payments to a deferred compensation or tax sheltered annuity

12 program specifically authorized by state law or to finance benefit

13 options under a cafeteria plan qualifying under Section 125 of the

14 Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. Section 125); longevity

15 and hazardous duty pay; nonmonetary compensation, the value of

16 which is determined by the retirement system; amounts by which a

17 person's salary is reduced under a salary reduction agreement

18 authorized by Chapter 610; and the benefit replacement pay a person

19 earns under Subchapter H, Chapter 659, as added by Chapter 417, Acts

20 of the 74th Legislature, 1995, except for the benefit replacement

21 pay a person earns as a result of a payment made under Subchapter B,

22 C, or D, Chapter 661. The term excludes [overtime pay and] a

23 cleaning or clothing allowance.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only

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- 1 to a member of the Employees Retirement System of Texas who retires
- 2 on or after the effective date of this Act. A member who retires
- 3 before the effective date of this Act is subject to the law in
- 4 effect on the date of the member's retirement, and that law is
- 5 continued in effect for that purpose.
- 6 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.