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S.B. No. 2396

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the payment of certain employer contributions for employed retirees of the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

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

SECTION 1. Section [825.4092](#), Government Code, is amended by amending Subsections (b) and (c) and adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

(b) Except as provided by Subsections ~~[Subsection]~~ (e) and (h), during each payroll period for which a retiree is reported, the employer shall contribute to the retirement system for each retiree reported an amount based on the retiree's salary equal to the sum of:

(1) the current contribution amount that would be contributed by the retiree if the retiree were an active, contributing member; and

(2) the current contribution amount authorized by the General Appropriations Act that the state would contribute for that retiree if the retiree were an active, contributing member.

(c) Except as provided by Subsections ~~[Subsection]~~ (e) and (h), each payroll period, for each retiree who is enrolled in the Texas Public School Employees Group Insurance Program under Chapter [1575](#), Insurance Code, the employer who reports the employment of a retiree shall contribute to the trust fund established under that chapter an amount established by the retirement system. In

1 determining the amount to be contributed by the employer under this  
2 subsection, the retirement system shall consider the amount a  
3 retiree is required to pay for the retiree and any enrolled  
4 dependents to participate in the group program and the cost of the  
5 retiree's and enrolled dependents' participation in the group  
6 program. If more than one employer reports the retiree to the  
7 retirement system during a month, the amount of the required  
8 payment shall be prorated among the employers.

9 (h) Notwithstanding Section 821.006, the retirement system  
10 may waive all or part of the amounts required to be contributed  
11 under Subsection (b) or (c), or both subsections, for one or more  
12 fiscal years.

13 SECTION 2. The changes in law made by this Act apply  
14 beginning with the 2022-2023 school year.

15 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
19 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.