

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**HB 13****2018 Regular Session****Gregory Miller**

RETIREMENT/TEACHERS: Provides relative to the reemployment of retirees of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Allow a retiree of TRSL to return to work as a tutor in pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade and continue to collect his benefit, subject to an earnings limitation of 25% of his benefit amount.
2. Allow a retiree of TRSL to return to work as a full-time or part-time pre-kindergarten teacher in a critical shortage position without an earnings limitation.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law generally provides that a retiree of TRSL may not return to work in a position covered by the system and continue to receive retirement benefits while reemployed. Further provides exceptions to present law.

Present law authorizes a retiree to return to work as a substitute classroom teacher, an adjunct professor, an instructor in an adult literacy program, or a school nurse and to continue to receive his benefit; however, the allowable employment earnings of such retiree are capped at 25% of his benefit amount. Proposed law retains present law and adds presenter of professional development and tutor to the list of positions that a retiree may return to subject to a 25% earnings limitation.

Present law provides that in certain circumstances a retiree may return to work in a critical shortage position (defined in present law) without reduction of benefits. Such positions include returning as a certified classroom teacher, as a certified speech therapist, speech pathologist, audiologist, educational diagnostician, school social worker, school counselor, or school psychologist. Proposed law adds pre-kindergarten teacher to the list of certified professionals who may return to work in a critical shortage position without reduction of benefits.

Effective July 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 11:710(A)(3), (4), and (9); Adds R.S. 11:710(A)(5)(e), (f), and (g))