

SENATE FILE NO. SF0048

Patrol, warden and investigator retirement-contributions.

Sponsored by: Joint Appropriations Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to compensation and benefits; increasing  
2 employee contributions under the Wyoming State Highway  
3 Patrol, Game and Fish Warden and Criminal Investigator  
4 Retirement Act; striking archaic provisions; providing  
5 appropriations; and providing for an effective date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 9-3-604(a) and (c)(ii) is amended to  
10 read:

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12 **9-3-604. Employee contributions.**

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14 (a) ~~Except as otherwise provided in this section,~~  
15 Every employee covered by this article shall pay into the  
16 fund ~~thirteen and fifty four hundredths percent (13.54%) of~~

1 ~~his salary from September 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014,~~  
2 ~~and thereafter~~ fourteen and fifty-six hundredths percent  
3 (14.56%) of his salary. ~~For the period from September 1,~~  
4 ~~2013 through June 30, 2014 forty five hundredths percent~~  
5 ~~(.45%), for the period~~ from July 1, 2014 through ~~June 30,~~  
6 ~~2016 ninety six hundredths percent (.96%) and for the~~  
7 ~~period from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, fifty one~~  
8 ~~hundredths percent (.51%) salary contribution required by~~  
9 ~~this subsection shall be paid by the employer on behalf of~~  
10 ~~the member. To the extent the remaining amount is not paid~~  
11 ~~by an employer on behalf of the member, this payment shall~~  
12 ~~be deducted each pay period from employees' salaries by the~~  
13 ~~respective chief fiscal officers of the employers~~ June 30,  
14 2024 and thereafter eighteen and ninety-two hundredths  
15 percent (18.92%) of his salary.

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17 (c) The contributions under subsection (b) of this  
18 section shall be paid from the source of funds which is  
19 used in paying salary to the employee. The employer may pay  
20 these contributions by a reduction in cash salary of the  
21 employee or by an offset against a future salary increase,  
22 or by a combination of a reduction in salary and an offset  
23 against a future salary increase, provided:

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2 (ii) Except as otherwise provided in this  
3 paragraph, any employer may pay any amount of an employee's  
4 share of retirement contributions without a salary  
5 reduction or offset, or combination thereof. For the period  
6 from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014, at least one and  
7 sixty-two hundredths percent (1.62%), for the period from  
8 July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2016 at least one and  
9 ninety-six hundredths percent (1.96%), for the period from  
10 July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 at least two and thirty  
11 hundredths percent (2.30%), and thereafter for the period  
12 from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2024 at least two and  
13 sixty-four hundredths percent (2.64%) and thereafter at  
14 least three and three hundredths percent (3.03%) of the  
15 employee's share of retirement contributions shall be paid  
16 through a reduction in cash salary of the employee unless  
17 specified otherwise by legislative act.

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19 **Section 2.**

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21 (a) There is appropriated to the office of attorney  
22 general from the general fund two hundred sixty-two  
23 thousand dollars (\$262,000.00) to provide payment of the

1 increase in retirement contributions for employees for the  
2 2025-2026 fiscal biennium.

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4 (b) For state agency employers whose retirement  
5 contributions are made from non-general fund sources, there  
6 is appropriated from those accounts and funds up to the  
7 amounts necessary to provide payment of the increase in the  
8 employer's share of the employee contributions as  
9 authorized by W.S. 9-3-604, as amended by section 1 of this  
10 act.

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12 (c) The appropriations in this section shall only be  
13 expended to provide payment of any increase in the  
14 employer's share of the employee contributions as  
15 authorized by W.S. 9-3-604, as amended by section 1 of this  
16 act, for the 2025-2026 fiscal biennium.

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18 (d) No amount of the appropriations made in this  
19 section shall be used to provide any other increased  
20 employee contribution required by this act.

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22 (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the  
23 appropriations under this section shall not be transferred

1 or expended for any purpose other than as specified in this  
2 section. Any unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from  
3 the appropriations made in this section shall revert as  
4 provided by law on June 30, 2026.

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6 (f) The state auditor shall transfer the funds to the  
7 state retirement system or to individual state agencies as  
8 determined by the department of administration and  
9 information to be necessary to meet the provisions of this  
10 act.

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12 (g) It is the intent of the legislature that the  
13 appropriations made in this section be included in each  
14 state agency's standard budget request for the immediately  
15 succeeding fiscal biennium.

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17 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2024.

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19 (END)