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CHAPTER 627

AN ACT to repeal and recreate chapter 477, laws of 1955, section 3 (1), (2), (3), (7) and (8); and to create 20.005 (2) (a) (line 145m) and 20.360 (7) of the statutes, relating to reconstituting and continuing the governor's retirement study commission for the 1957-1959 biennium, and making an appropriation.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 20.005 (2) (a) (line 147m) of the statutes is created to read:

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SECTION 2. 20.360 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

20.360 (7) RETIREMENT STUDY COMMISSION. On July 1, 1957, \$12,000 for the functions of the governor's retirement study commission during the 1957-1959 biennium.

SECTION 3. Chapter 477, laws of 1955, section 3 (1), (2), (3), (7) and (8) are repealed and recreated to read:

(Chapter 477, laws of 1955) Section 3. (1) ESTABLISHMENT. In order to provide for continuing study, research and planning with regard to the retirement systems for public employes to which the state contributes, the governor's retirement study commission is reconstituted as provided in this act. The commission shall elect a chairman, vice chairman and secretary. Each appointed member shall serve until July 1 of the next odd-numbered year following his appointment, or until his successor is appointed.

(2) COMPOSITION. The commission shall be composed of the following members:

(a) One citizen appointed by the governor.

- (b) The executive director of the Wisconsin retirement fund.(c) The executive secretary of the state teachers retirement board.
- (d) One representative of county and municipal employers, appointed by the governor.
 - (e) One representative of state employes, appointed by the governor.
- (f) One representative of county and municipal employes, appointed by the governor.
- (g) One representative of teachers under the state teachers retirement system, appointed by the governor.
- (h) One representative of teachers under teachers annuity and retirement funds in cities of the first class, appointed by the governor.
- (i) One representative of the attorney general's office, appointed by the attorney general.

(j) One senator who is a member of the joint survey committee on retirement systems, appointed as are standing committees.

(k) One assemblyman who is a member of the joint survey com-

mittee on retirement systems, appointed by the speaker.

(L) The chairman of the joint survey committee on retirement systems, unless he is appointed under par. (j) or (k).

(3) DUTIES. The commission shall conduct studies and research

regarding the following:

(a) The need for extension of retirement coverage to public employes who are now excluded because of various eligibility rules.

(b) The adequacy of the contributions and retirement age provisions

for law enforcement and firefighting personnel.

(c) The need to make special provisions for groups of employes who must retire at early ages because of the nature of their work.

(d) Problems arising as the result of the changes in the retirement

laws made by the 1957 legislature.

(e) The social aspects of retirement, such as pre-retirement counselling, preservation of contact after retirement, and opportunities for part-time employment as a partial substitute for retirement.

(f) Establishment of policies regarding increases in benefits after

retirement.

- (g) The need for a permanent staff to engage in research on retirement problems, and assist the joint survey committee on retirement systems.
- (h) Development of a plan for combining the major retirement systems to which the state contributes.

(i) The clarification and simplification of the retirement laws.

- (j) Any other problems related to the retirement systems to which the state contributes.
- (7) ATTACHED TO JOINT SURVEY COMMITTEE ON RETIREMENT SYSTEMS. The commission shall be attached to the joint survey committee on retirement systems for administrative purposes. Said committee shall provide the commission with clerical assistance and shall make available to the commission its facilities, equipment, files and materials to the extent possible.
- (8) Report. The commission shall report to the governor and the legislature on January 15, 1959, and at such other times as the commission

deems appropriate.

Approved August 14, 1957.