

SENATE BILL NO. 55

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Introduced: 1/25/21

Referred: Labor & Commerce, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to employer contributions to the Public Employees' Retirement System**
2 **of Alaska; and providing for an effective date."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 *** Section 1.** AS 39.35.255(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) Each employer, **except as provided in (i) of this section,** shall contribute
6 to the system every payroll period an amount calculated by applying a rate of 22
7 percent of the greater of the total of all base salaries

8 (1) paid by the employer to employees who are active members of the
9 system, including any adjustments to contributions required by AS 39.35.520; or

10 (2) paid by the employer to employees who were active members of
11 the system during the corresponding payroll period for the fiscal year ending

12 (A) June 30, 2008; or

13 (B) June 30, 2012, if that total is less than the total under (A) of
14 this paragraph, and the employer is a municipality in which the population

1 decreased by more than 25 percent between 2000 and 2010, according to the
2 decennial census conducted by the United States Bureau of the Census.

3 * **Sec. 2.** AS 39.35.255 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the state as an
5 employer shall contribute to the system every payroll period an amount sufficient to
6 pay the actuarially determined employer normal cost, all contributions required under
7 AS 39.30.370 and AS 39.35.750, and past service cost for members at the contribution
8 rate adopted by the board under AS 37.10.220 for the fiscal year for that payroll
9 period.

10 * **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
11 read:

12 **ADOPTION OF REGULATIONS.** (a) The commissioner of administration may adopt
13 regulations necessary to implement secs. 1 and 2 of this Act. Regulations adopted by the
14 commissioner of administration under this Act relate to the internal management of a state
15 agency and are not subject to AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act) under AS 39.35.005.

16 (b) Regulations adopted under this section may not take effect before the effective
17 date of the law being implemented by the regulation.

18 * **Sec. 4.** Section 3 of this Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

19 * **Sec. 5.** Except as provided in sec. 4 of this Act, this Act takes effect July 1, 2021.