

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 438(STA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/7/00

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act permitting certain emergency medical personnel to convert their credited**
2 **service under the public employees' retirement system to credited service as peace**
3 **officers; and providing for an effective date."**

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

5 * **Section 1.** AS 39.35.370 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 (g) When an employee who was employed by an employer in the public
7 employees' retirement system as an emergency medical service officer or an emergency
8 medical technician applies for appointment to retirement, the employee may convert
9 the credited service for that position to credited service as a peace officer by claiming
10 the service as peace officer service. An employee who has converted credited service
11 to peace officer service under this subsection shall be treated as a peace officer for
12 purposes of this chapter. When the member claims this credited service as peace
13 officer service, an indebtedness of the member to the system shall be established. The
14 indebtedness is equal to the full actuarial cost of the conversion of the credited service

1 to treatment as peace officer service. Any outstanding indebtedness that exists at the
2 time the member is appointed to retirement will require an actuarial adjustment to the
3 benefits payable based upon the conversion of the credited service.

4 * **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).