

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 79(STA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/20/09

Referred: Labor and Commerce, Finance

Sponsor(s): SENATORS MCGUIRE, Paskvan, Ellis, Egan, Thomas, Wielechowski, Meyer, Menard, Kookesh

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act waiving payment of premiums for major medical insurance under the defined**
2 **benefit retirement plan for public employees who are disabled and have at least 20 years**
3 **of credited service as peace officers; and providing for an effective date."**

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

5 *** Section 1.** AS 39.35.535(c) is amended to read:

6 (c) A benefit recipient may elect major medical insurance coverage in
7 accordance with regulations and under the following conditions:

8 (1) a person, other than a **person described in (2) of this subsection**
9 **[DISABLED MEMBER OR A DISABLED MEMBER WHO IS APPOINTED TO**
10 **NORMAL RETIREMENT]**, must pay an amount equal to the full monthly group
11 premium for retiree major medical insurance coverage **[IF THE PERSON IS**

12 (A) **YOUNGER THAN 60 YEARS OF AGE AND HAS LESS**
13 **THAN**

14 (i) **25 YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE AS A**

1 PEACE OFFICER UNDER AS 39.35.360 AND 39.35.370; OR

2 (ii) 30 YEARS OF CREDITED SERVICE UNDER
3 AS 39.35.360 AND 39.35.370 THAT IS NOT SERVICE AS A
4 PEACE OFFICER; OR

5 (B) OF ANY AGE AND HAS LESS THAN 10 YEARS OF
6 CREDITED SERVICE];

7 (2) a person is not required to make premium payments for retiree
8 major medical coverage if the person

9 (A) is a disabled member;

10 (B) is a disabled member who is appointed to normal
11 retirement;

12 (C) is 60 years of age or older and has at least 10 years of
13 credited service; or

14 (D) has at least

15 (i) 20 years of credited service as a peace officer
16 under AS 39.35.360 and 39.35.370 and was disabled after the
17 person's 19th year of service but before the person's 25th year of
18 service;

19 (ii) 25 years of credited service as a peace officer under
20 AS 39.35.360 and 39.35.370; or

21 (iii) [(ii)] 30 years of credited service under
22 AS 39.35.360 and 39.35.370 not as a peace officer.

23 * **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
24 read:

25 **RETROACTIVITY.** This Act is retroactive to July 1, 2006.

26 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).