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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 SENATE BILL NO. 60

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to National Guard and Naval Militia
7 retirement and death benefits; and providing for an
8 effective date."

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

10 * Section 1. AS 26.05.222 is amended to read:

11 Sec. 26.05.222. CREATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF ALASKA NATIONAL
12 GUARD AND ALASKA NAVAL MILITIA RETIREMENT PLAN. There is established
13 in the public employees retirement system of Alaska a separate Alaska
14 National Guard and Alaska Naval Militia retirement plan and account,
15 which shall be administered as a part of and in like manner as the
16 public employees retirement system.

17 * Sec. 2. AS 26.05.223 is amended to read:

18 Sec. 26.05.223. COMMENCEMENT OF PARTICIPATION IN PLAN. An
19 active member of the Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia
20 shall be included in this plan upon commencement of his active member-
21 ship in the Alaska National Guard, or upon commencement of his active
22 membership in the Alaska Naval Militia [OR ON JANUARY 1, 1973, WHICH-
23 EVER IS LATER. INCLUSION IN THE PLAN IS A CONDITION OF ACTIVE MEMBER-
24 SHIP IN THE ALASKA NATIONAL GUARD].

25 * Sec. 3. AS 26.05.224(a) is amended to read:

26 (a) An active member of the Alaska National Guard on or after
27 January 1, 1973, or an active member of the Alaska Naval Militia on
28 or after July 1, 1977, is eligible for a retirement pension [PAY]

29 (1) upon voluntary retirement after a total of 20 years or

1 more of active service in the Alaska National Guard, Alaska Naval
2 Militia, or the Armed Forces of the United States, or any combination
3 of these [AND UPON REACHING 55 YEARS OF AGE], or

4 (2) upon involuntary retirement because of federal standards
5 imposed on Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia members, re-
6 gardless of length of service.

7 * Sec. 4. AS 26.05.224(b) is amended to read:

8 (b) Retirement pay is \$50 a month, payable [TO BE CONTINUED] for
9 the same number of months that the person was a member of the Alaska
10 National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia. Payment of the retirement
11 pension shall begin the first month after the person's 55th birthday or
12 separation from the Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval Militia,
13 whichever is later. A member or former member may elect to have pay-
14 ment of retirement pension benefits deferred until any month after his
15 55th birthday or separation from the Alaska National Guard or Alaska
16 Naval Militia, whichever is later. Payment of a deferred benefit may
17 not commence until application for the benefit is filed with and
18 approved by the Department of Military Affairs.

19 * Sec. 5. AS 26.05.227 is amended to read:

20 Sec. 26.05.227. DEFINITION. As used in secs. 222 - 226 of this
21 chapter, "member" means an active commissioned or warrant officer or
22 enlisted man or woman in the Alaska National Guard or Alaska Naval
23 Militia.

24 * Sec. 6. AS 26.05.224(c) is repealed.

25 * Sec. 7. This Act takes effect July 1, 1977.