

HOUSE BILL NO. 450

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES PARNELL, Gruenberg

Introduced: 2/7/92

Referred: Health, Education & Social Services, State Affairs, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act granting status as peace officers under the public employees' retirement system
2 to correctional nurses and to certain state employees employed at a residential psychiatric
3 facility; and providing for an effective date."

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

5 * Section 1. AS 39.35.680(28) is amended to read:

6 (28) "peace officer" or "fire fighter" means a state employee at a residential
7 psychiatric facility employed in a position that requires interacting with patients at the
8 facility on a direct basis, or an employee occupying a position as a peace officer, chief of
9 police, correctional officer, correctional superintendent, correctional nurse, fire fighter, fire chief,
10 or probation officer;

11 * Sec. 2. A member who was employed, before the effective date of this Act, either as a correctional
12 nurse or by the state at a residential psychiatric facility with job duties that required interacting with
13 patients at the facility on a direct basis may convert the credited service for the position to credited
14 service as a peace officer by claiming the service as peace officer service before the member is

1 appointed to retirement. When the member claims this retroactive credited service, an indebtedness of
2 the member to the system shall be established. The indebtedness is equal to (1) the contributions to the
3 system that the employee would have made if the service had counted as peace officer service, less (2)
4 the contributions to the system that the member actually made. Interest as prescribed by regulation
5 accrues on this indebtedness beginning July 1, 1992. Any outstanding indebtedness that exists at the
6 time the member is appointed to retirement will require an actuarial adjustment to the benefits payable
7 based upon the service.

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