

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 220 (STATE AFFAIRS)  
 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
 SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/6/92  
 Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): SENATORS RODEY, Collins

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 an employee occupying a position as  
 7 a peace officer, chief of police, correctional officer, correctional superintendent, correctional  
 8 nurse, fire fighter, fire chief, or probation officer or a state employee at a residential  
 9 psychiatric facility employed in a position that requires interacting directly with patients  
 10 at the facility, limited to physicians, physician's assistants, registered nurses, psychiatric  
 11 nursing assistants, practical nurses, technical assistants, ward clerks, social workers, mental  
 12 health clinicians, psychologists, activity therapists, occupational therapists, housekeepers,  
 13 and janitors:

14 \* Sec. 2. A member who was employed, before the effective date of this Act, either as a correctional

1 nurse or by the state at a residential psychiatric facility with job duties that required interacting directly  
2 with patients at the facility may convert the credited service for the position to credited service as a  
3 peace officer by claiming the service as peace officer service before the member is appointed to  
4 retirement. When the member claims this retroactive credited service, an indebtedness of the member  
5 to the system shall be established. The indebtedness is equal to (1) the contributions to the system that  
6 the employee would have made if the service had counted as peace officer service, less (2) the  
7 contributions to the system that the member actually made. Interest as prescribed by regulation accrues  
8 on this indebtedness beginning July 1, 1992. Any outstanding indebtedness that exists at the time the  
9 member is appointed to retirement will require an actuarial adjustment to the benefits payable based upon  
10 the service.

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