

COMMITTEE REPORT
SENATE

FURTHER:

3/19/86

Date 5/7/86

Mr. President

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relating to retirement benefits for part-time teachers.

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the following recommendations:

- do pass
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- replace with/or adopt CS for _____
- new title _____
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- and attached a "LETTER OF INTENT" NEW FISCAL NOTE
15.8 DOE
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MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS

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Co-Chairman [Signature]
 Chairman recommendation do pass

Offered: 5/10/85
Referred: Rules

Original sponsors: Sund, Davis,
M.M.Miller, et al

1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 228 (Finance)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to retirement benefits for part-time
7 teachers."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 14.25.110(a) is amended to read:

10 (a) A member is eligible for a normal retirement benefit if the
11 member

12 (1) was first hired before July 1, 1975, has attained the
13 age of 55 years, and has at least 15 years of credited service, the
14 last five of which have been membership service;

15 (2) has attained the age of 55 years and has at least eight
16 years of membership service;

17 (3) has attained the age of 55 years, has at least five
18 years of membership service, and has at least three years of Alaska
19 BIA service;

20 (4) has at least 25 years of credited service, the last
21 five of which have been membership service;

22 (5) has at least 20 years of membership service; [OR]

23 (6) has at least 20 years of combined membership service
24 and Alaska BIA service, the last five of which have been membership
25 service; or

26 (7) has at least one-half year of membership service as a
27 part-time teacher for each of 20 school years.

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REQUEST Page 1 of 2
Bill/Resolution No.: CSHB 228 (Fin)
Title: "An Act relating
to retirement benefits for part-
time teachers"
Sponsor: Finance
Requestor: _____
Date of Request: _____

FISCAL DETAIL
Agency Affected: Department of Education
ERU: Retirement & Benefits,
TRS State Match
Components: Retirement & Benefits (TRS),
TRS State Match

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91
OPERATING						
PERSONAL SERVICES						
RTMNT & BNFTS		2.1	2.3	2.4	2.6	2.9
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
TRS MATCH		13.7	14.8	16.0	17.3	18.6
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	15.8	17.1	18.4	19.9	21.5
CAPITAL						
REVENUE						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND		15.8	17.1	18.4	19.9	21.5
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	15.8	17.1	18.4	19.9	21.5

POSITIONS: -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- -0-

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page if necessary

See attached

J.K. Humphreys

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Division: Retirement & Benefits

Date: 12/17/85

Approved by Commissioner: Eleanor Andrews

Date: 12/26/85

Agency: Department of Administration

Distribution (by Agency preparing fiscal note):

- Legislative Finance
- Legislative Sponsor
- Requestor
- Office of Management and Budget
- Impacted Agency(ies)

CS House Bill 228 (Finance)
Fiscal Note Analysis
Prepared by the Division of Retirement & Benefits
Department of Administration

December 17, 1985

IV Analysis: Passage of this bill would allow a member with 20 years of membership service in the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) as a part-time teacher to retire with a normal benefit.

To fund this bill, the state TRS contribution rate would increase by .003% in FY 87. The state TRS payroll is estimated to be \$68,569,578 in FY 87 and to increase by 8% each year thereafter. The TRS State Match contribution would increase by .003% in FY 87. The TRS State Match salary is estimated to be \$456,833,417 for FY 87 and to increase by 8% each year thereafter.

The State cost of \$15.8 is calculated as follows:

The increase in TRS contribution rate (.003%) times the estimated FY 87 State TRS salaries (\$68,569,578.00) equaling	\$ 2,100.00
Plus the increase in TRS State Match contribution rate (.003%) times the estimated FY 87 State Match Payroll (\$456,833,417.00) equaling	\$ <u>13,700.00</u>
Total FY 87 estimated cost	\$ <u>15,800.00</u>

In addition to the State's costs above, School Districts costs would increase as follows:

<u>FY 87</u>	<u>FY 88</u>	<u>FY 89</u>	<u>FY 90</u>	<u>FY 91</u>
\$11.6	\$12.6	\$13.6	\$14.7	\$15.8

Passage of this bill would result in a .01% decrease in the TRS Funding ratio and would increase the present value of the TRS unfunded liability by \$163,000.



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April 24, 1985

TO: Representatives Niilo Koponen and Max Gruenberg, Co-Chairs
Members, House HESS Committee

FROM: NEA-Alaska

RE: CSHB 228 (SA)

NEA-Alaska supports CSHB 228, (SA). The purpose of the bill is to rectify an inequity in the Teachers' Retirement System.

Currently, a half time teacher must work twice as long as a full time teacher in order to qualify for benefits, (sixteen years instead of eight to become vested and forty instead of twenty to retire). Under the current provision, half time teachers may never make it to eligibility. It is our position that time for eligibility should be calendar years worked regardless of full time or part time status. Therefore, a part time teacher should be eligible for retirement upon working the same number of calendar years as a full time teacher.

Benefits should be calculated so that the half time person's retirement income reflects the half time employment.

We urge your support of CSHB 228. It allows half time teachers access to the retirement system in a more equitable and reasonable way than do current provisions.

Respectfully submitted:

Gayle Pierce
President

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HOUSE BILL 228
RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR PART-TIME TEACHERS
OVERVIEW PREPARED BY REP. JOHN SUND'S OFFICE

ANALYSIS

Section 1 adds a new subsection making a member of the Teachers' Retirement System, who has at least 20 years of service as a part-time teacher, eligible for a retirement benefit.

Section 2 adds a new subsection making a member of the Teachers' Retirement System, who has at least 8 years of service as a part-time teacher, eligible for vesting in the retirement system.

A part-time teacher is defined in section 14.25.220 (26) as one who works on a regular basis for at least 50% of the full-time teacher's normal work week. Substitute and temporary work do not apply.

HISTORY

Part-time teaching may be all that is available in a given community at a given time, or an individual may make a personal choice to work part-time. Regardless of why a teacher works part-time, he or she is required to contribute to the Teachers' Retirement System. As the law now stands, the part-time teacher could not collect a normal retirement benefit for 40 calendar years and would not be vested for 16 calendar years. (and, of course that benefit is half that of a full-time teacher) The full-time teacher accrues these benefits in half that time. HB228 would not change the amount of a part-time teacher's benefit. It would simply bring the time required for a retirement benefit into line with the full-time teacher.

This bill was introduced at the behest of about 20 constituents in the Ketchikan area. (representative letters are included in your packet) It is supported by NEA Alaska and the Ketchikan Education Association.

It is estimated that there are currently 489 teachers within the state who have some years of part-time teaching. While it is common for teachers to work on a part-time basis at least some time during their careers, few make the choice to do so throughout their careers. Currently no teacher has accumulated more than 13 years of part-time service and only 2 people have accrued 13 years.

The current statute appears particularly unfair to those who have no option to teach full-time. HB228 will provide an incentive for part-time teachers to continue working part-time to retirement age and would reward them for their years of service.

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Chairman recommendation