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

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2 employees' retirement system for noncertificated employees of school districts, regional
3 educational attendance areas, the special education service agency, the Alaska Vocational
4 Technical Center, and the state boarding schools; and providing for an effective date.

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7 * **Section 1.** AS 39.35.160 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

8 (c) An employee who has made an irrevocable election under AS 39.35.300(c)
9 or 39.35.310(c) to have the employee's years of service as a noncertificated employee
10 of a state boarding school, of a school district or regional educational attendance area,
11 of the special education service agency, or of the Alaska Vocational Technical Center
12 determined by reference to AS 14.25.220 shall pay a contribution surcharge for that
13 service. The amount of the surcharge is the difference between the amount the

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1 employer would have had to contribute under AS 39.35.250 - 39.35.290 for the
2 employee when treating the employee's credited service as service earned under
3 AS 39.35.300(c) or 39.35.310(c) less the amount the employer would have had to
4 contribute under AS 39.35.250 - 39.35.290 without treating the employee's credited
5 service as service earned under AS 39.35.300(c) or 39.35.310(c).

6 * **Sec. 2.** AS 39.35.300 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

7 (c) A noncertificated employee of the Alaska Vocational Technical Center or
8 a state boarding school who first becomes a member of the system on or after the
9 effective date of this Act may, within 90 days after the employee first joins the system,
10 make an irrevocable election under this subsection to have the years of service that the
11 employee earns as a noncertificated employee determined using the table for service
12 on or after July 1, 1969, that is set out in the definition of "year of service" in
13 AS 14.25.220. A noncertificated employee of the Alaska Vocational Technical Center
14 or a state boarding school who is an active member of the system on the effective date
15 of this Act may, within 180 days after the effective date of this Act, make the
16 irrevocable election. A member of the system who is an inactive member on the
17 effective date of this Act and who is later employed as a noncertificated employee of
18 the Alaska Vocational Technical Center or a state boarding school may, within 90 days
19 after beginning the subsequent employment, make the irrevocable election. An
20 election under this subsection shall be made in writing on a form provided by the
21 administrator. The election applies to the employee's service earned for the school
22 year in which the election is accepted by the administrator and applies to all
23 subsequent employment as a noncertificated employee of a state boarding school, a
24 school district or regional educational attendance area, the special education service
25 agency, or the Alaska Vocational Technical Center. An employee who makes an
26 election under this subsection shall pay the contribution surcharge as set out in
27 AS 39.35.160(c).

28 * **Sec. 3.** AS 39.35.310 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

29 (c) A noncertificated employee of a school district, a regional educational
30 attendance area, or the special education service agency who first becomes a member
31 of the system on or after the effective date of this Act may, within 90 days after the

1 employee first joins the system, make an irrevocable election under this subsection to
2 have the years of service that the employee earns as a noncertificated employee
3 determined using the table for service on or after July 1, 1969, that is set out in the
4 definition of "year of service" in AS 14.25.220. A noncertificated employee of a
5 school district, a regional educational attendance area, or the special education service
6 agency who is an active member of the system on the effective date of this Act may,
7 within 180 days after the effective date of this Act, make the irrevocable election. A
8 member of the system who is an inactive member on the effective date of this Act and
9 who later is employed as a noncertificated employee of a school district, a regional
10 educational attendance area, or the special education service agency may, within 90
11 days after beginning the subsequent employment, make the irrevocable election. An
12 election under this subsection shall be made in writing on a form provided by the
13 administrator. The election applies to the employee's service earned for the school
14 year in which the election is accepted by the administrator and applies to all
15 subsequent employment as a noncertificated employee of a state boarding school, a
16 school district or regional educational attendance area, the special education service
17 agency, or the Alaska Vocational Technical Center. An employee who makes an
18 election under this subsection shall pay the contribution surcharge as set out in
19 AS 39.35.160(c).

20 * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect July 1, 1999.