

HOUSE BILL No. 5664

May 17, 2016, Introduced by Reps. VerHeulen, Canfield, LaGrand and Hoadley and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to amend 1943 PA 240, entitled
"State employees' retirement act,"
by amending section 68c (MCL 38.68c), as amended by 2015 PA 20.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 68c. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a
2 retirant who is receiving a retirement allowance under this act and
3 is employed by this state beginning after October 1, 2007 agrees to
4 forfeit his or her right to receive that retirement allowance
5 during this period of state employment. The retirement system shall
6 ~~ease~~**STOP** payment of the retirement allowance to a retirant
7 described in this subsection during this period of state employment
8 and shall reinstate payment of the retirement allowance without

1 recalculation when the period of state employment ceases. This
2 subsection does not apply to a retirant who is directly or
3 indirectly employed by this state on October 1, 2007 while he or
4 she remains in the position held by the retirant on October 1,
5 2007. As used in this subsection, "employed by this state" means
6 employed directly by this state as an employee, indirectly by this
7 state through a contractual arrangement with other parties, or by
8 engagement of the retirant by this state as an independent
9 contractor. This subsection does not apply to a retirant who is
10 engaged as an independent contractor on October 1, 2010 while the
11 retirant remains engaged in the same contract that was held by the
12 retirant on October 1, 2010 without amendment or extension.

13 (2) A hospital, medical-surgical, and sick care benefits plan,
14 dental plan, vision plan, and hearing plan that covers retirants,
15 retirant allowance beneficiaries, former qualified participants,
16 and health benefit dependents under this act must contain a
17 coordination of benefits provision that provides all of the
18 following:

19 (a) If the person covered under any of the plans is also
20 eligible for Medicare, ~~then~~ the benefits under Medicare must be
21 determined before the health insurance benefits under this act.

22 (b) If a person covered under any of the plans provided by
23 this act is also covered under another plan that contains a
24 coordination of benefits provision, the benefits must be
25 coordinated as provided in the coordination of benefits act, 1984
26 PA 64, MCL 550.251 to 550.255.

27 (c) If the person covered under any of the plans provided by

1 this act is also covered under another plan that does not contain a
2 coordination of benefits provision, the benefits under the other
3 plan must be determined before the benefits provided under this
4 act.

5 (3) Subsection (1) does not apply to a retirant if all of the
6 following apply:

7 (a) The retirant is hired to provide health care services to
8 individuals under the jurisdiction of the department of
9 corrections.

10 (b) The retirant is hired in a position that is limited in
11 term, no benefits are paid, and pay is on a per diem basis.

12 (c) The department of corrections provides written notice to
13 the state budget office and the department of technology,
14 management, and budget that attempts have been made to fill the
15 position through postings and recruitment and that the position
16 vacancy still exists.

17 (d) The department of corrections reports the employment of a
18 retirant under this subsection within 30 days of employment of the
19 retirant to the state budget office and the department of
20 technology, management, and budget. The report must include the
21 name of the retirant, the capacity in which the retirant is
22 employed, and the total compensation paid to the retirant.

23 (e) The retirant retired after a bona fide termination.

24 (4) Subsection (1) does not apply to the appointment of a
25 retirant who retired after a bona fide termination and who was an
26 assistant attorney general as a special assistant attorney general
27 if the attorney general determines that, as a result of his or her

1 previous employment with this state, the retirant possesses
2 specialized expertise and experience necessary for the appointment
3 and that the appointment is the most cost-effective option for this
4 state.

5 (5) Until September 30, 2015, subsection (1) does not apply to
6 a retirant if all of the following apply:

7 (a) The retirant is hired to provide for the custody of
8 individuals under the jurisdiction of the department of
9 corrections.

10 (b) The retirant is hired in a position that is limited in
11 term, no benefits are paid, and the pay is not more than 80% of the
12 maximum hourly wage granted to classified civil service employees
13 employed by the department of corrections to perform the same
14 duties as the retirant for the fiscal year during which the
15 retirant is employed.

16 (c) The retirant works no more than 1,040 hours in a 12-month
17 period of state employment.

18 (d) The retirant retired after a bona fide termination of
19 employment.

20 (6) Subsection (1) does not apply to a retirant if all of the
21 following apply:

22 (a) The department of attorney general contracts with the
23 retirant as a witness, expert, or consultant for litigation
24 involving this state. The contract must provide that the retirant's
25 service as a witness, expert, or consultant ends at the conclusion
26 of the litigation.

27 (b) The attorney general determines that, as result of the

1 retirant's previous employment with this state, the retirant
2 possesses specialized expertise and experience necessary for the
3 litigation and the contract is the most cost-effective option for
4 the state.

5 (c) The retirant retired after a bona fide termination of
6 employment.

7 (7) SUBSECTION (1) DOES NOT APPLY TO A RETIRANT IF ALL OF THE
8 FOLLOWING APPLY:

9 (A) THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES HIRES THE
10 RETIRANT AS A PSYCHIATRIST TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS IN
11 PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS OPERATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
12 HUMAN SERVICES.

13 (B) THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DETERMINES
14 THAT, AS A RESULT OF THE RETIRANT'S PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT WITH THIS
15 STATE, THE RETIRANT POSSESSES SPECIALIZED EXPERTISE AND EXPERIENCE
16 NECESSARY FOR THE HIRING OF THE RETIRANT AND THAT THE HIRING OF THE
17 RETIRANT IS THE MOST COST-EFFECTIVE OPTION FOR THIS STATE.

18 (C) THE RETIRANT RETIRED BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2015 AND AFTER A
19 BONA FIDE TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT.

20 (8) AS USED IN SUBSECTION (7):

21 (A) "PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED 100B OF
22 THE MENTAL HEALTH CODE, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1100B.

23 (B) "PSYCHIATRIST" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED SECTION 100C OF
24 THE MENTAL HEALTH CODE, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1100C.

25 (C) "SERVICE" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 100D OF
26 THE MENTAL HEALTH CODE, 1974 PA 258, MCL 330.1100D.