

Bill as Introduced

HB 1668-FN - AS INTRODUCED

2010 SESSION

10-2495

10/01

HOUSE BILL

1668-FN

AN ACT

requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.

SPONSORS:

Rep. P. McMahon, Merr 3

COMMITTEE:

Executive Departments and Administration

ANALYSIS

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Explanation:

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Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struckthrough~~].

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Ten

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6 group I state employee who:

7 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.

10 years -

20 yrs + 45

subsidy aid -

2004

accidental
amend to allow
prior se -
10 years -
apr 2003
20 years - in statute
group I
20 years

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HB 1668-FN - FISCAL NOTE

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The New Hampshire Retirement System states this proposed change in eligibility for state retiree health insurance would not impact any of the retirees eligible for the medical subsidy payment, so this bill would not impact the Retirement System.

HB 1668-FN - AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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6 prior to July 1, 2003 or 20 years of creditable service if the employee's service began on or after
7 July 1, 2003, and who also is at least 60 years of age at the time of retirement; or

8 (b) Has at least 30 years of creditable service for the state at the time of retirement,
9 regardless of the employee's age; or

10 (c) Is but for the provisions of 1989, 376:10, otherwise eligible to receive medical and
11 surgical benefits under this section notwithstanding subparagraphs (a) and (b), and paragraph IV,
12 on June 30, 1989, and who retires between July 1, 1989, and June 30, 1994; or

13 (d) Dies or retires and is eligible for accidental death or accidental disability retirement
14 benefits, regardless of the state employee's age or number of years of creditable service; or

15 (e) Retires and is eligible for ordinary disability retirement benefits, regardless of the
16 state employee's age; or

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18 eligible for service retirement at the time of his death, if the state employee had at least 10 years of
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6 III. Any vested deferred state retiree may receive medical and surgical benefits under this
7 section if the vested deferred state retiree is eligible. To be eligible, a *group I* vested deferred state
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10 on or after July 1, 2003 *and a group II vested deferred state retiree shall have at least 20*
11 *years of creditable service with the state if the employee's service with the state began on or*
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Amendments

Amendment to HB 1668-FN

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

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Committee Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

WORK SESSION ON HB 1668-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.

DATE: March 02, 2010

LOB ROOM: 210-211 Time Work Session Called to Order: 11:27

Time Adjourned: 11:40

(please circle if present)

Committee Members: Reps. M. Smith, Nordgren, Foster, Eaton, Barood, Benf, Leishman, DeLoie, Brice, Poose, Mitchell, Keans, Casey, Harris, Kurk, K. Anderson, Emerton, Rodeschin, Wendelboe, L. Ober, Dokmo, Bergin, Belvin, R. Elliott and Weyler.

Bill Sponsors: Rep. P. McMahon, Merr 3

TESTIMONY

* Use asterisk if written testimony and/or amendments are submitted.

* New fiscal note distributed.

Rep. Hawkins, representing the Committee on Executive Department and Administration (ED&A):
Must work 20 years to obtain medical subsidy.

Chairman M. Smith: New fiscal note updates amendment.

Rep. Casey and Rep. Keans: Explain.

Rep. Hawkins: Only people who were hired before 2004.

Rep. L. Ober: Stops double-dipping unless you worked for the state for 20 years.

Rep. Kurk: Is this prospective?

Rep. Hawkins: Yes only hires after June 30, 2010. This is a state-negotiated benefit.

Rep. Kurk: Isn't it subject to appropriation?

Rep. Wendelboe: Will this trigger people taking action?

Rep. Hawkins: No, with current freeze.

Rep. Kurk: Can we find out what we pay? What we save can we make retroactive?

Rep. Hawkins: Check fiscal note.

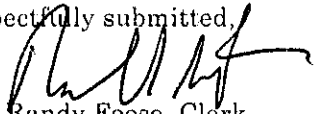
Rep. Belvin: Question of Chair re: HB1. Did we change dollar amount to percentage?

Chairman Smith: Yes, but Senate changed back.

Rep. Hawkins: To get to fiscal note we estimated this bill stops abuse.

The work session on this bill is scheduled to continue on Thursday, March 04, beginning at 10:00.

Respectfully submitted,



Rep. Randy Foose, Clerk

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

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TESTIMONY

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Rep. Keans: How paid?

Martha Jaffe: Benefits. Retiree health paid on monthly basis.

Rep. Kurk: Concerned that group I and group II are treated differently. Should we add a provision that group II employees who retire after July 01 to this group? We have the right to do this and help the budget.

Rep. DeJoid: Just because we can we shouldn't. We owe career employees the right to continue benefits.

Rep. Kurk: We will have to make other tough choices. This is just an option.

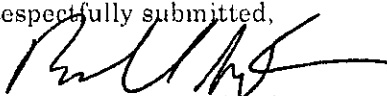
Chairman Smith: Did Executive Departments and Administration (ED&A) look at this?

Rep. Hawkins: We were told this was prescribed.

Rep. Foster: To change we would be affecting policy.

Chairman Smith: Mr. Murphy (Legislative Budget Assistant (LBA)): Are these matters part of the labor contract?

Respectfully submitted,


Rep. Randy Foose, Clerk

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Speakers

Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 1668-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.

DATE: January 20, 2010

LOB ROOM: 306 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 20:20 pm

Time Adjourned: 2:25 pm

(please circle if present)

Committee Members: Reps. Irwin, Harding, Pilotte, P. McMahon, Judy, Schmidt, Beck, D. Sullivan, D. Petterson, Houde-Quimby, Flurey, Hawkins, B. Day, Reagan, K. Gould, S. Scamman, McGuire, C. Pratt, D. Ryder and Vita.

Bill Sponsors: Rep. McMahon, Merr 3

TESTIMONY

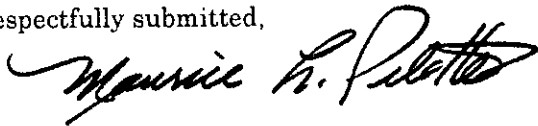
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Rep. McMahon, sponsor, introduced this bill.

- Filed at the request of Office of Legislative Services
- Need to clarify that to qualify for state employee group II, employee needs to work for the State of New Hampshire

To Retirement sub-committee

Respectfully submitted,



Rep. Maurice L. Pilotte, Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 1668-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.

DATE: Jan. 20, 2010

LOB ROOM: 306 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 2:20

Time Adjourned: 2:25

(please circle if present)

Committee Members: Reps. Irwin, Harding, Pilotte, P. McMahon, Judy, Schmidt, Beck, D. Sullivan, D. Petterson, Houde-Quimby, Flurey, Hawkins, K. Day, Reagan, K. Gould, S. Scamman, McGuire, C. Pratt, D. Ryder and Vita.

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TESTIMONY

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"VESTED"?

Retirement Sub-committee.

Sub-Committee Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

SUBCOMMITTEE WORK SESSION ON HB 1668-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.

DATE: January 26, 10

Subcommittee Members: Reps. Hawkins, Sullivan, and McMahon

Comments and Recommendations: Amend – Disability? Age? Recess.

Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Retained (Please circle one.)

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Seconded by Rep.

Vote:

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Retained (Please circle one.)

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Seconded by Rep.

Vote:

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Ken Hawkins
Subcommittee Chairman/Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

SUBCOMMITTEE WORK SESSION ON HB 1668-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.

DATE: 1/26/10

Subcommittee Members: Reps. *Hawkins, Tulliver, McArthur*

Comments and Recommendations:

Amend - Disability? Age? Necess

Amendments:

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Respectfully submitted

Rep. *[Signature]*
Subcommittee Chairman/Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

SUBCOMMITTEE WORK SESSION ON HB 1668-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.

DATE: January 29, 2010

Subcommittee Members: Reps. Sullivan, McMahon, and Hawkins

Comments and Recommendations: Recess.

Amendments:

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

SUBCOMMITTEE WORK SESSION ON

BILL TITLE: *HB 1668*

DATE: *1/29/10*

Subcommittee Members: Reps. *Sullivan, McMahon, Hawkins*

Comments and Recommendations:

None

Amendments:

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Rep. *[Signature]*
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Proposed Amendment to HB 1668

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(a) Has at least 10 years of creditable service for the state if the employee's service began prior to July 1, 2003 or 20 years of creditable service if the employee's service began on or after July 1, 2003, and who also is at least 60 years of age at the time of retirement; or

(b) Has at least 30 years of creditable service for the state at the time of retirement, regardless of the employee's age; or

(c) Is but for the provisions of 1989, 376:10, otherwise eligible to receive medical and surgical benefits under this section notwithstanding subparagraphs (a) and (b), and paragraph IV, on June 30, 1989, and who retires between July 1, 1989, and June 30, 1994; or

(d) Dies or retires and is eligible for accidental death or accidental disability retirement benefits, regardless of the state employee's age or number of years of creditable service; or

(e) Retires and is eligible for ordinary disability retirement benefits, regardless of the state employee's age; or

(f) Dies and is eligible for ordinary death retirement benefits, if the state employee was eligible for service retirement at the time of his death, if the state employee had at least 10 years of creditable service for the state if the employee's service began prior to July 1, 2003 or 20 years of creditable service if the employee's service began on or after July 1, 2003.

“Retired employee” also means each group II state employee who:

(a) Retires if the employee's state service began prior to July 1, 2010 or who retires with at least 20 years of creditable service for the state if the employee's state service began on or after July 1, 2010; or

(b) Dies or retires and is eligible for accidental death or accidental disability retirement benefits, regardless of the state employee's age or number of years of creditable service; or

(c) Retires and is eligible for ordinary disability retirement benefits, regardless of the state employee's age; or

(d) Dies and is eligible for ordinary death retirement benefits, if the state employee was eligible for service retirement at the time of his death, if the state employee had at least 20 years of creditable service for the state if the employee's state service began on or after July 1, 2010.

III. Any vested deferred state retiree may receive medical and surgical benefits under this section if the vested deferred state retiree is eligible. To be eligible, a **group I** vested deferred state retiree shall have at least 10 years of creditable service with the state if the employee's service began prior to July 1, 2003 or 20 years of creditable service **with the state** if the employee's service began on or after July 1, 2003 **and a group II vested deferred state retiree shall have at least 20 years of creditable service with the state if the employee's service with the state began on or after July 1, 2010.** In addition, if the vested deferred state retiree is a member of group I, such retiree shall be at least 60 years of age to be eligible. If the vested deferred state retiree is a member of group II, such retiree shall not be eligible until 20 years from the date of becoming a member of group II and shall be at least 45 years of age.

2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.

Voting Sheets

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1668-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.

DATE: February 2, 2010

LOB ROOM: 306

Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep. Hawkins OLS Document #: 2010 0401h

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Hawkins

Seconded by Rep. McMahon

Vote: 16-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. McMahon

Seconded by Rep. Hawkins

Vote: 17-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: 17-0

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Maurice L. Pilotte, Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1668-fn

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Motions:

OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

Hawkins

Amendment
Seconded by Rep.

McMahon

Vote: 16-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions:

OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

McMahon

Seconded by Rep.

Hawkins

Vote: 17-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE:

17-0

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent:

Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Maurice L. Pilotte, Clerk

Maurice L. Pilotte

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

Bill #: HB 1668 EN Title: requiring state creditable service for group life
retirees to receive state employee medical benefits
 PH Date: 1 / 20 / 2010 Exec Session Date: 2 / 22 / 10
 Motion: Amendment OTP Amendment #: 2010-04016

MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS
Irwin, Anne-Marie, Chairman	✓	
Harding, Laurie, V Chairman	✓	
Pilotte, Maurice L, Clerk	✓	
McMahon, Patricia M	✓	
Jeudy, Jean L	Absent	
Schmidt, Peter B	✓	
Beck, Catriona D	✓	
Sullivan, Daniel J	✓	
Petterson, Don	✓	
Houde-Quimby, Charlotte	✓	
Flurey, Joan S	✓	
Hawkins, Ken	✓	
Day, Russell C	✓	
Reagan, John M	Absent	
Gould, Kenneth H	Absent	
Scamman, Stella	✓	
McGuire, Carol M	Absent	
Pratt, Calvin D	✓	
Ryder, Donald F	✓	
Vita, Carol M	✓	

TOTAL VOTE: 16-0
 Printed: 12/18/2009

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

Bill #: AB 1668 Title: requiring state creditable service for group 11

PH Date: 11/20/2010 *retirees to receive state employee medical benefits* Exec Session Date: 2/1/10

Motion: OTP/A Amendment #: 2010-0401h.

MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS
Irwin, Anne-Marie, Chairman	✓	
Harding, Laurie, V Chairman	✓	
Pilotte, Maurice L, Clerk	✓	
McMahon, Patricia M	✓	
Jeudy, Jean L	Absent	
Schmidt, Peter B	✓	
Beck, Catriona D	✓	
Sullivan, Daniel J	✓	
Petterson, Don	✓	
Houde-Quimby, Charlotte	✓	
Flurey, Joan S	✓	
Hawkins, Ken	✓	
Day, Russell C	✓	
Reagan, John M	Absent	
Gould, Kenneth H	✓	
Scamman, Stella	✓	
McGuire, Carol M	Absent	
Pratt, Calvin D	✓	
Ryder, Donald F	✓	
Vita, Carol M	✓	

TOTAL VOTE: 17-0
 Printed: 12/18/2009

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1668-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.
DATE: March 04, 2010
LOB ROOM: 210-211

Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:
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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, I'TL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Benn

Seconded by Rep. Kurk

Vote: 25-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, I'TL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

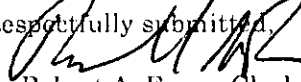
Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

REGULAR or CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: (Please circle one)

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Robert A. Foose, Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

EXECUTIVE SESSION on HB 1668-FN

BILL TITLE: requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.

DATE: {Type DATE} 03/04/10

LOB ROOM: 210-211

Amendments:

Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:
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Sponsor: Rep. OLS Document #:

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, I/TL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Benn

Seconded by Rep. Kirk

Vote: 25-0 (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

Motions: OTP, OTP/A, I/TL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

REGULAR or CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: (Please circle one)

(Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Robert A. Foose, Clerk

FINANCE

Bill #: ^{HB} 1668-FNTitle: requiring state creditable service for group II
retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.PH Date: / / Exec Session Date: 03 / 04 / 10Motion: OTFAmendment #:

MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS
Smith, Marjorie K, Chairman	25	
Nordgren, Sharon, V Chairman	1	
Foster, Linda T	2	
Eaton, Daniel A	3	
Baroody, Benjamin C	4	
Benn, Bernard L	5	
Leishman, Peter R	6	
DeJoie, John	7	
Buco, Thomas L	8	
Foose, Robert A, Clerk	9	
Mitchell, Bonnie	10	
Keans, Sandra B	11	
Casey, Kimberley S	12	
Harris, Sandra C	13	
Kurk, Neal M	14	
Scamman, W. Douglas <i>Weyler</i>	15	
Anderson, Eric	16	
Emerton, Larry A	17	
Rodeschin, Beverly T	18	
Wendelboe, Fran	19	
Ober, Lynne M	20	
Dokmo, Cynthia J	21	
Bergin, Peter F	22	
Belvin, William S	23	
Elliott, Robert J	24	
	25	0
TOTAL VOTE:		

Printed: 1/9/2009

Committee Report

CONSENT CALENDAR

February 3, 2010

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

**The Committee on EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND
ADMINISTRATION to which was referred HB1668-FN,**

**AN ACT requiring state creditable service for group II
retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.**

**Having considered the same, report the same with the
following amendment, and the recommendation that
the bill OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Patricia M McMahon

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION
Bill Number:	HB1668-FN
Title:	requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.
Date:	February 3, 2010
Consent Calendar:	YES
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT

STATEMENT OF INTENT

This bill requires Group II state employees hired after July 1, 2001 to work for the state for 20 years in order to become eligible for state retiree health benefits. This mirrors the current requirement for Group I state employees. If this requirement for eligibility had been in effect in 2009, based on 2010 working rates, the savings to the state would have been approximately \$353,372 in 2010.

Vote 17-0.

Rep. Patricia M McMahon
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

CONSENT CALENDAR

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION

HB1668-FN, requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits. **OUGHT TO PASS WITH AMENDMENT.**

Rep. Patricia M McMahon for EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND ADMINISTRATION. This bill requires Group II state employees hired after July 1, 2001 to work for the state for 20 years in order to become eligible for state retiree health benefits. This mirrors the current requirement for Group I state employees. If this requirement for eligibility had been in effect in 2009, based on 2010 working rates, the savings to the state would have been approximately \$353,372 in 2010. **Vote 17-0.**

ED&A

HB 1668

This bill assures that in order for Group II members to be eligible for the state paid health benefits an employee must have 20 years of creditable service years as a retired state employee. Previously the requirement was any Group II retiree must only be eligible to retire in order to receive state paid medical and surgical benefits with twenty years of service. If this eligibility rule had been in effect in 2009, based on 2010 working rates the savings to the state would have been approximately \$353,372.00 in 2010.

Rep. McMahan

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Rep. AM Irwin, Chair

CONSENT CALENDAR

March 5, 2010

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Committee on FINANCE to which was referred HB1668-FN,

AN ACT requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits. Having considered the same, report the same with the recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO PASS.

Rep. Bernard L Benn

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	FINANCE
Bill Number:	HB1668-FN
Title:	requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.
Date:	March 5, 2010
Consent Calendar:	YES
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS

STATEMENT OF INTENT

Under current law, group II retirees must only be eligible to retire to receive state-paid retiree health coverage. For group II state employees whose service for the state begins on or after July 1, 2010, this bill increases the state service eligibility requirement to receive state paid medical and surgical benefits to at least 20 years of creditable service with the state. The Department of Administrative Services estimates that this bill, based on 2009 data, would decrease state expenditures in 2010 approximately \$353,372. The bill would result in group I and group II state employees having parallel eligibility requirements for health coverage.

Vote 25-0.

Rep. Bernard L Benn
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

CONSENT CALENDAR

FINANCE

HB1668-FN, requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits. OUGHT TO PASS.

Rep. Bernard L Benn for FINANCE. Under current law, group II retirees must only be eligible to retire to receive state-paid retiree health coverage. For group II state employees whose service for the state begins on or after July 1, 2010, this bill increases the state service eligibility requirement to receive state paid medical and surgical benefits to at least 20 years of creditable service with the state. The Department of Administrative Services estimates that this bill, based on 2009 data, would decrease state expenditures in 2010 approximately \$353,372. The bill would result in group I and group II state employees having parallel eligibility requirements for health coverage. Vote 25-0.

Clayman, Janet

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OTP vote 25-0 Benn / Kurk

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Bernard L. Benn



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Docket of HB1668

Docket Abbreviations

Bill Title: requiring state creditable service for group II retirees to receive state employee medical benefits.*Official Docket of HB1668:*

Date	Body	Description
12/21/2009	H	Introduced 1/6/2010 and Referred to Executive Departments and Administration; HJ 6 , PG.247
1/6/2010	H	Public Hearing: 1/20/2010 2:00 PM LOB 306
1/21/2010	H	Subcommittee Work Session: 1/26/2010 2:45 PM LOB 306
1/21/2010	H	Subcommittee Work Session: 1/27/2010 9:00 AM LOB 306
1/27/2010	H	Subcommittee Work Session: 1/28/2010 8:00 AM LOB 306
1/27/2010	H	Subcommittee Work Session: 1/29/2010 9:00 AM LOB 306
1/27/2010	H	Executive Session: 2/2/2010 10:30 AM LOB 306
2/3/2010	H	Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment #0401h for Feb 10 CC (vote 17-0); HC 13 , PG.526
2/3/2010	H	Proposed Committee Amendment #0401h; HC 13 , PG.575-576
2/10/2010	H	Removed from Consent Calendar (Rep Vaillancourt); HJ 16 , PG.748
2/10/2010	H	Amendment #0401h Adopted, VV; HJ 16 , PG.777
2/10/2010	H	Ought to Pass with Amendment #0401h: MA VV; HJ 16 , PG.777
2/10/2010	H	Referred to Finance; HJ 16 , PG.777
2/24/2010	H	Full Committee Work Session: 3/2/2010 10:30 AM LOB 210-211
2/24/2010	H	Full Committee Work Session: 3/4/2010 10:00 AM LOB 210-211
2/24/2010	H	Executive Session: 3/4/2010 2:00 PM LOB 210-211
3/5/2010	H	Committee Report: Ought to Pass for Mar 24 (Vote 25-0; CC); HC 22 , PG.1220
3/24/2010	H	Ought to Pass: MA VV; HJ 30 , PG.1476
3/24/2010	S	Introduced and Referred to Executive Departments and Administration; SJ 11 , Pg.265
3/31/2010	S	Hearing: April 6, 2010, Room 101, LOB, 2:45 p.m.; SC14
4/7/2010	S	Committee Report: Ought to Pass 4/14/10; SC15
4/14/2010	S	Ought to Pass, MA, VV; OT3rdg; SJ 14 , Pg.290
4/14/2010	S	Passed by Third Reading Resolution; SJ 14 , Pg.296
4/21/2010	S	Enrolled; SJ 15 , Pg.332
4/21/2010	H	Enrolled; HJ 35 , PG.1671
5/27/2010	H	Signed by the Governor 05/26/2010; Effective 07/01/2010; Chapter 0104

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