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## HOUSE BILL No. 2263

By Representative Burgess

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AN ACT concerning retirement and pensions; relating to the Kansas
 police and firemen's retirement system; retirement benefits; employee
 contributions, increase; amending K.S.A. 74-4958, 74-4958a and 74-4965 and repealing the existing sections.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 74-4958 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-7 8 4958. (1) Any member who retires on or after July 1, 1993, shall be entitled to receive an age and service retirement benefit equal to 2.5% of 9 10 such member's final average salary multiplied by the number of years of credited service for which the member contributed at the 7% contribution 11 12 rate prescribed by K.S.A. 74-4965, and amendments thereto, or for which such member made a lump sum repayment in accordance with the 13 provisions of K.S.A. 74-4965, and amendments thereto except that in no 14 15 case shall such retirement benefit exceed 80% of such member's final-16 average salary.

17 (2) Any member who is appointed or employed prior to July 1, 1989, who does not make an election pursuant to K.S.A. 74-4955a and 18 19 amendments thereto and who retires before such member's normal 20 retirement date shall receive an early retirement benefit equal to the 21 annual retirement benefit payable had the member retired on the normal 22 retirement date reduced by an amount equal to the product of (A) such 23 annual retirement benefit payable had the member retired on the normal 24 retirement date, multiplied by (B) the product of .4% multiplied by the 25 number of months difference, to the nearest whole month, between the 26 member's attained age at the time of retirement and age 55.

27 (3) Upon the death after retirement of a member who was covered, up to the entry date of the member's employer, by a pension system under 28 the provisions of K.S.A. 12-5001 to 12-5007, inclusive, and amendments 29 thereto, or K.S.A. 13-14a01 to 13-14a14, inclusive, and amendments 30 thereto, or K.S.A. 14-10a01 to 14-10a15, inclusive, and amendments 31 32 thereto, and who had not elected to retire under one of the options provided under K.S.A. 74-4964 and amendments thereto, the member's 33 spouse, if such spouse was the member's lawfully wedded spouse for a 34 period of not less than one year at the time of the member's retirement or 35 36 if such spouse had been the member's lawfully wedded spouse for at least

1 three years after the time of the member's retirement, shall receive: (A) 2 Pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,128, and amendments thereto, 3 a lump-sum benefit equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$  the member's final average salary at the 4 time of the member's retirement; and (B) an annual spouse's benefit equal 5 75% of the member's retirement benefit payable in monthly to installments, to accrue from the last day of the month following the 6 7 member's date of death and ending on the last day of the month in which 8 the spouse dies. Commencing on the effective date of this act, any 9 surviving spouse, who was receiving benefits pursuant to this section and who had such benefits terminated by reason of such spouse's remarriage, 10 shall be entitled to once again receive benefits pursuant to this section, 11 12 except that such surviving spouse shall not be entitled to recover any 13 benefits not received after the termination of benefits by reason of such surviving spouse's remarriage but before the effective date of this act. If 14 15 there is no surviving spouse, or if after the death of the spouse there 16 remain one or more children under the age of 18 years or one or more 17 children under the age of 23 years who is a full-time student as provided 18 in K.S.A. 74-49,117 and amendments thereto, the spouse's benefit shall 19 be payable, subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,123 and 20 amendments thereto, in equal shares to such children and each child's 21 share shall end on the last day of the month in which such child attains 22 the age of 18 years or dies, whichever occurs earlier or in which such 23 child attains the age of 23 years if such child is a full-time student as 24 provided in K.S.A. 74-49,117 and amendments thereto. Commencing on 25 the effective date of this act, any child who was receiving benefits 26 pursuant to this section and who had such benefits terminated by reason 27 of such child's marriage, shall be entitled to once again receive benefits 28 pursuant to this section subject to the limitations contained in this section, 29 except that such child shall not be entitled to recover any benefits not 30 received after the termination of benefits by reason of such child's 31 marriage but before the effective date of this act. All payments due under 32 this section to a minor shall be made to a legally appointed conservator of 33 such minor as provided in subsection (7) of K.S.A. 74-4902 and 34 amendments thereto. No person shall be entitled to receive more than one benefit under the provisions of this subsection. Any person who otherwise 35 36 meets the qualifications to receive more than one benefit under this 37 subsection shall elect the benefit such person shall receive.

(4) Upon the death after retirement of a member who had not elected
to retire under one of the options provided under K.S.A. 74-4964 and
amendments thereto, such member's beneficiary shall receive an amount
equal to the excess, if any, of such member's accumulated contributions
over the sum of all retirement benefit payments made.

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(5) The provisions of law in effect on the retirement date of a

1 member under the system shall govern the retirement benefit payable to 2 the retirant, any joint annuitant and any beneficiary.

3 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 74-4958a is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-4 4958a. (1) Any member who retires on or after July 1, 1993, shall be 5 entitled to receive an age and service retirement benefit equal to 2.5% of such member's final average salary multiplied by the number of years of 6 7 credited service for which the member contributed at the 7% contribution 8 rate prescribed by K.S.A. 74-4965, and amendments thereto, or for which 9 such member made a lump sum repayment in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 74-4965, and amendments thereto except that in no 10 case shall such retirement benefit exceed 80% of such member's final-11 12 average salary.

(2) Any member who retires before such member's normal 13 retirement date shall receive an early retirement benefit equal to the 14 annual retirement benefit payable had the member retired on the normal 15 retirement date reduced by an amount equal to the product of (A) such 16 17 annual retirement benefit payable had the member retired on the normal 18 retirement date, multiplied by (B) the product of .4% multiplied by the 19 number of months difference, to the nearest whole month, between the member's attained age at the time of retirement and age 55. 20

(3) Pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,128, and amendments 21 22 thereto, upon the death after retirement of a member who was covered, up 23 to the entry date of the member's employer, by a pension system under the provisions of K.S.A. 12-5001 to 12-5007, inclusive, and amendments 24 25 thereto, or K.S.A. 13-14a01 to 13-14a14, inclusive, and amendments thereto, or K.S.A. 14-10a01 to 14-10a15, inclusive, and amendments 26 27 thereto, and who had not elected to retire under one of the options provided under K.S.A. 74-4964 and amendments thereto, the member's 28 29 spouse, if such spouse was the member's lawfully wedded spouse for a 30 period of not less than one year at the time of the member's retirement or 31 if such spouse had been the member's lawfully wedded spouse for at least 32 three years after the time of the member's retirement, shall receive: (A) 33 Pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,128, and amendments thereto, a lump-sum benefit equal to 1/2 the member's final average salary at the 34 time of the member's retirement; and (B) an annual spouse's benefit equal 35 to 75% of the member's retirement benefit payable in monthly 36 37 installments, to accrue from the first day of the month following the member's date of death and ending on the last day of the month in which 38 the spouse dies. Commencing on the effective date of this act, any 39 surviving spouse, who was receiving benefits pursuant to this section and 40 who had such benefits terminated by reason of such spouse's remarriage, 41 shall be entitled to once again receive benefits pursuant to this section, 42 43 except that such surviving spouse shall not be entitled to recover any 1 benefits not received after the termination of benefits by reason of such

2 surviving spouse's remarriage but before the effective date of this act. If 3 there is no surviving spouse, or if after the death of the spouse there 4 remain one or more children under the age of 18 years or one or more 5 children under the age of 23 years who is a full-time student as provided in K.S.A. 74-49,117 and amendments thereto, the spouse's benefit shall 6 7 be payable, subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,123 and 8 amendments thereto, in equal shares to such children and each child's 9 share shall end on the last day of the month in which such child attains the age of 18 years or dies, whichever occurs earlier or in which such 10 child attains the age of 23 years, if such child is a full-time student as 11 provided in K.S.A. 74-49,117 and amendments thereto. Commencing on 12 13 the effective date of this act, any child who was receiving benefits pursuant to this section and who had such benefits terminated by reason 14 15 of such child's marriage, shall be entitled to once again receive benefits 16 pursuant to this section subject to the limitations contained in this section, 17 except that such child shall not be entitled to recover any benefits not 18 received after the termination of benefits by reason of such child's 19 marriage but before the effective date of this act. All payments due under 20 this section to a minor shall be made to a legally appointed conservator of 21 such minor as provided in subsection (7) of K.S.A. 74-4902 and 22 amendments thereto. No person shall be entitled to receive more than one 23 benefit under the provisions of this subsection. Any person who otherwise 24 meets the qualifications to receive more than one benefit under this 25 subsection shall elect the benefit such person shall receive.

(4) Upon the death after retirement of a member who had not elected
to retire under one of the options provided under K.S.A. 74-4964 and
amendments thereto, such member's beneficiary shall receive an amount
equal to the excess, if any, of such member's accumulated contributions
over the sum of all retirement benefit payments made.

(5) The provisions of this section shall be effective on and after July
1, 1989 and shall apply only to members who were appointed or
employed prior to July 1, 1989, and who made an election pursuant to
K.S.A. 74-4955a and amendments thereto; and persons appointed or
employed on or after July 1, 1989.

(6) The provisions of law in effect on the retirement date of a
member under the system shall govern the retirement benefit payable to
the retirant, any joint annuitant and any beneficiary.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 74-4965 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-40 4965. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, each participating employer shall, beginning with the first payroll period for services performed after the entry date, deduct from the compensation of each member 7% of such member's compensation as employee contributions,

except that in the case of a member whose employment is covered by
 social security and the member is a member of the class certified in the
 case of Brazelton v. Kansas public employees retirement system, 227 K.
 443, 607 P.2d 510 (1980), the deduction from such member's
 compensation shall be reduced by the amount of such member's
 contributions to social security.

7 (2) For any member other than a member who is a member of the 8 class certified in the case of Brazelton v. Kansas public employees 9 retirement system, 227 K. 443, 607 P.2d 510 (1980), no employee 10 contributions shall be reduced because of contributions to social security.

(3) All such deductions shall be remitted quarterly, or as the board may otherwise provide, to the executive director for credit to the Kansas public employees retirement fund and shall be credited to the members' individual accounts. Interest on each member's accumulated contributions at the rate determined under subsection (a) of K.S.A. 74-4922 and amendments thereto shall be added annually to the member's individual account.

18 (4) For all payroll periods commencing on or after the effective 19 date of this act, each participating employer shall deduct from thecompensation of each member who has received 32 years of credited-20 service, 2% of such member's compensation as employee contributions. 21 For each member that is having 2% of such member's compensation 22 deducted as employee contributions on July 1, 2011, for all payroll 23 periods commencing on or after July 1, 2011, the participating employer 24 shall deduct from the compensation of each such member 7% of such 25 member's compensation as employee contributions. Any active member 26 who is contributing at the 2% employee contribution rate as of July 1, 27 2011, shall commence contributing at the 7% employee contribution rate 28 the first payroll period beginning on or after June 30, 2011. Such member 29 30 may repay in a lump sum prior to or on such member's date of retirement, 31 an amount equal to the difference between contributions actually made 32 by the member and contributions which would have been made had such 33 member always been contributing at the 7% employee contribution rate for all such service earned during the period of time the member made 34 contributions at the 2% employee contribution rate, with interest. Such 35 repayment, if made at retirement, may be deducted from the proceeds of 36 37 the partial lump sum retirement options at subsection (5)(G) of K.S.A. 74-4964, and amendments thereto, in the event the member elects such 38 option. Such member shall pay the actual amount plus interest at a rate 39 specified by the board. Any member who makes such a payment shall be 40 entitled to service credit for purposes of calculation of retirement benefit 41 pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-4958 and 74-4958a, and 42 43 amendments thereto, for all years of service wherein such member

contributed at the 7% employee contribution rate, including all years of
 service such member previously paid at the 2% employee contribution
 rate but prior to or on such member's date of retirement repaid the
 difference pursuant to this subsection.

5 (5) (a) Subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,123 and 6 amendments thereto, each participating employer, pursuant to the 7 provisions of section 414(h)(2) of the federal internal revenue code, shall 8 pick up and pay the contributions which would otherwise be payable by members as prescribed in subsection (1) commencing with the third 9 quarter of 1984. The contributions so picked up shall be treated as 10 employer contributions for purposes of determining the amounts of 11 federal income taxes to withhold from the member's compensation. 12

(b) Member contributions picked up by the employer shall be paid from the same source of funds used for the payment of compensation to a member. A deduction shall be made from each member's compensation equal to the amount of the member's contributions picked up by the employer, provided that such deduction shall not reduce the member's compensation for purposes of computing benefits under the system.

19 (c) Member contributions picked up by the employer shall be remitted quarterly, or as the board may otherwise provide, to the 20 executive director for credit to the Kansas public employees retirement 21 22 fund. Such contributions shall be credited to a separate account within the 23 member's individual account so that amounts contributed by the member 24 commencing with the third quarter of 1984 may be distinguished from the member contributions picked up by the employer. Interest shall be added 25 26 annually to members' individual accounts.

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Sec. 4. K.S.A. 74-4958, 74-4958a and 74-4965 are hereby repealed.

28 Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 29 publication in the statute book.

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