

74-4915c. Retirement benefits for certain elected local officials; exceptions; service credit. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any member who is an elected local official of a municipality who is also employed by another participating employer of the Kansas public employees retirement system other than the municipality and is an eligible employee as defined in K.S.A. 74-4902, and amendments thereto, may retire from service from such other participating employer and may continue to serve as an elected local official, except that such local official shall not receive any retirement benefit for any month for which such local official serves in such office when compensation is paid in an amount equal to \$15,000 or more, or commencing in calendar year 2006, and all calendar years thereafter, \$20,000 or more in any one such calendar year. The participating employer shall report to the system within 30 days of when the compensation paid to the retirant is equal to or exceeds any limitation provided in this subsection. Upon request of the executive director of the system, the secretary of revenue shall provide such information as may be needed by the executive director to carry out the provisions of this section.

(b) No such member who is an elected local official who retires as provided in subsection (a) and who continues to serve as an elected local official shall accrue any additional service credit for such service as an elected local official or be entitled to any benefit provided in K.S.A. 74-4916 or 74-4927, and amendments thereto.

(c) The provisions of this section are intended to further the public policy of encouraging persons to serve in elective public office by permitting a member of the system, who is a member through employment with a participating employer in a nonelected position and who holds an elected office as an elected local official of a municipality and who is also a member of the system for such elected office, to retire under the system from such nonelected employment and to continue serving in such elected public office.

(d) The words and phrases used in this section have the meanings respectively ascribed thereto by K.S.A. 74-4902, and amendments thereto, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context.

History: L. 2000, ch. 152, § 39; L. 2001, ch. 209, § 13; L. 2006, ch. 143, § 11; July 1.