

74-4998c. Same; contributions; deductions; employer pickup of member contributions. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, for all payroll periods commencing on or after July 1, 1988, but prior to the end of the term of office in which such elected official is serving on the effective date of this act, each elected state official shall contribute 5% of the elected state official's salary for each payroll period to the fund. For all payroll periods commencing on or after July 1, 1988, but prior to the end of the term of office in which such elected official is serving on the effective date of this act, the employer shall deduct from the compensation of each member who has received 30 years of credited service 2% of such member's compensation as employee contributions. Each elected state official shall make contributions as provided in K.S.A. 74-4919, and amendments thereto, in lieu of contributions as provided in this section, for all payroll periods during any term of office of such elected state official which commences after the effective date of this act. The provisions of K.S.A. 74-4919c, 74-4919d, 74-4919e, 74-4919h or 74-4919j, and amendments thereto, shall apply to elected state officials, except that, subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,123, and amendments thereto, such elected state officials shall purchase prior and participating service credit at the rate of 10% or 15% for the payroll periods commencing on or after July 1, 1988, but prior to the end of the term of office in which such elected official is serving on the effective date of this act.

(b) The director of accounts and reports shall deduct the amount each elected state official is to contribute to the fund on the payroll of each elected state official for each payroll period showing the amount deducted and its credit to the fund. Such deductions shall be remitted as the board may provide, to the executive director of the Kansas public employees retirement system for credit to the fund to the credit of the elected state official's individual account therein.

(c) For purposes of contributions to and benefits under the Kansas public employees retirement system of such elected state officials who are members of the legislature, the salary or compensation of such elected state official shall be as provided in K.S.A. 74-4995, and amendments thereto.

(d) (1) Subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,123, and amendments thereto, the state of Kansas pursuant to the provisions of section 414(h)(2) of the federal internal revenue code of 1986, as in effect on July 1, 2008, shall pick up and pay the contributions which would otherwise be payable by elected state officials as prescribed in subsection (a) commencing with the effective date of this act. Contributions so picked up shall be treated as employer contributions for purposes of determining the amounts of federal income taxes to withhold from the elected state official's compensation.

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

(3) Member contributions picked up by the state shall be remitted as the board may provide, to the executive director for credit to the Kansas public employees retirement fund.

(e) No former member of the legislature shall be required to make contributions as otherwise required by this section.

History: L. 1988, ch. 302, § 21; L. 1990, ch. 282, § 23; L. 1991, ch. 238, § 5; L. 1998, ch. 64, § 89; L. 2001, ch. 209, § 44; L. 2008, ch. 113, § 16; July 1.