1 ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2687 By: George of the House 2 and 3 Pemberton of the Senate 4 5 6 7 An Act relating to public retirement systems; amending 62 O.S. 2021, Section 3103, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 306, O.S.L. 2022 (62 O.S. Supp. 8 2023, Section 3103), which relates to the Oklahoma 9 Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act; modifying definition; providing that certain members may make 10 election to participate in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System; providing who shall be members of retirement system; providing for the 11 transfer of certain contributions and records; providing that member shall pay the difference to 12 receive credit; providing exception; prohibiting the 1.3 transfer of service credit under certain circumstances; providing for codification; providing 14 effective dates; providing for contingent effective dates based on outcome of approval of the emergency 15 clause; and declaring an emergency. 16 17 18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 19 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2021, Section 3103, as 20 amended by Section 1, Chapter 306, O.S.L. 2022 (62 O.S. Supp. 2023, 21 Section 3103), is amended to read as follows: 22 Section 3103. As used in the Oklahoma Pension Legislation 23 Actuarial Analysis Act:

- 1. "Amendment" means any amendment, including a substitute
 2 bill, made to a retirement bill by any committee of the House or
 3 Senate, any conference committee of the House or Senate or by the
 4 House or Senate;
 - 2. "RB number" means that number preceded by the letters "RB" assigned to a retirement bill by the respective staffs of the Oklahoma State Senate and the Oklahoma House of Representatives when the respective staff office prepares a retirement bill for a member of the Legislature;
 - 3. "Legislative Actuary" means the firm or entity that enters into a contract with the Legislative Service Bureau pursuant to Section 452.15 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes to provide the actuarial services and other duties provided for in the Oklahoma Pension Legislation Actuarial Analysis Act;
 - 4. "Nonfiscal amendment" means an amendment to a retirement bill having a fiscal impact, which amendment does not change any factor of an actuarial investigation specified in subsection A of Section 3109 of this title;
 - 5. "Nonfiscal retirement bill" means a retirement bill:
 - a. which does not affect the cost or funding factors of a retirement system,
 - b. which affects such factors only in a manner which does not:

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- (1) grant a benefit increase under the retirement system affected by the bill,
- (2) create an actuarial accrued liability for or increase the actuarial accrued liability of the retirement system affected by the bill, or
- (3) increase the normal cost of the retirement system affected by the bill,
- c. which authorizes the purchase by an active member of the retirement system, at the actuarial cost for the purchase as computed pursuant to the statute in effect on the effective date of the measure allowing such purchase, of years of service for purposes of reaching a normal retirement date in the applicable retirement system, but which cannot be used in order to compute the number of years of service for purposes of computing the retirement benefit for the member,
- d. which provides for the computation of a serviceconnected disability retirement benefit for members of the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System pursuant to Section 2-305 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes if the members were unable to complete twenty (20) years of service as a result of the disability,
- e. which requires membership in the defined benefit plan authorized by Section 901 et seq. of Title 74 of the

Oklahoma Statutes for persons whose first elected or appointed service occurs on or after November 1, 2018, if such persons had any prior service in the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System prior to November 1, 2015,

- f. which provides for a one-time increase in retirement benefits if the increase in retirement benefits is not a permanent increase in the gross annual retirement benefit payable to a member or beneficiary, occurs only once pursuant to a single statutory authorization and does not exceed:
 - (1) the lesser of two percent (2%) of the gross annual retirement benefit of the member or One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) and requires that the benefit may only be provided if the funded ratio of the affected retirement system would not be less than sixty percent (60%) but not greater than eighty percent (80%) after the benefit increase is paid,
 - (2) the lesser of two percent (2%) of the gross annual retirement benefit of the member or One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) and requires that the benefit may only be provided if the funded ratio of the affected retirement

system would be greater than eighty percent (80%) but not greater than one hundred percent (100%) after the benefit increase is paid,

- (3) the lesser of two percent (2%) of the gross annual retirement benefit of the member or One Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$1,400.00) and requires that the benefit may only be provided if the funded ratio of the affected retirement system would be greater than one hundred percent (100%) after the benefit increase is paid, or
- (4) the greater of two percent (2%) of the gross annual retirement benefit of the volunteer firefighter or One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for persons who retired from the Oklahoma

 Firefighters Pension and Retirement System as volunteer firefighters and who did not retire from the Oklahoma Firefighters Pension and Retirement System as a paid firefighter.

As used in this subparagraph, "funded ratio" means the figure derived by dividing the actuarial value of assets of the applicable retirement system by the actuarial accrued liability of the applicable retirement system,

1	g.	which modifies the disability pension standard for
2		police officers who are members of the Oklahoma Police
3		Pension and Retirement System as provided by Section 3
4		of this act,
5	h.	which provides a cost-of-living benefit increase
6		pursuant to the provisions of:
7		(1) Section 49-143.7 of Title 11 of the Oklahoma
8		Statutes,
9		(2) Section 50-136.9 of Title 11 of the Oklahoma
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11		(3) Section 1104K of Title 20 of the Oklahoma
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13		(4) Section 2-305.12 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma
14		Statutes,
15		(5) Section 17-116.22 of Title 70 of the Oklahoma
16		Statutes,
17		(6) Section 930.11 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma
18		Statutes, or
19	i.	which modifies the computation of the line-of-duty
20		disability benefit pursuant to the provisions of this
21		act, or
22	<u>j.</u>	which authorizes membership in the Oklahoma Law
23		Enforcement Retirement System for certain individuals
24		pursuant to Sections 2 and 3 of this act.

- A nonfiscal retirement bill shall include any retirement bill that
 has as its sole purpose the appropriation or distribution or
 redistribution of monies in some manner to a retirement system for
 purposes of reducing the unfunded liability of such system or the
 earmarking of a portion of the revenue from a tax to a retirement
 system or increasing the percentage of the revenue earmarked from a
 tax to a retirement system;
 - 6. "Reduction-in-cost amendment" means an amendment to a retirement bill having a fiscal impact which reduces the cost of the bill as such cost is determined by the actuarial investigation for the bill prepared pursuant to Section 3109 of this title;
 - 7. "Retirement bill" means any bill or joint resolution introduced or any bill or joint resolution amended by a member of the Oklahoma Legislature which creates or amends any law directly affecting a retirement system. A retirement bill shall not mean a bill or resolution that impacts the revenue of any state tax in which a portion of the revenue generated from such tax is earmarked for the benefit of a retirement system;
 - 8. "Retirement bill having a fiscal impact" means any retirement bill creating or establishing a retirement system and any other retirement bill other than a nonfiscal retirement bill; and
 - 9. "Retirement system" means the Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma, the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, the Uniform Retirement System for Justices and Judges, the Oklahoma

- Firefighters Pension and Retirement System, the Oklahoma Police

 Pension and Retirement System, the Oklahoma Law Enforcement

 Retirement System, or a retirement system established after January
- 4 1, 2006.
- SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-309.9 of Title 47, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
 - A. Members of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System who are active commissioned or Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) certified agents of the Office of the Attorney General on June 30, 2024, may make an irrevocable written election within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this act to participate in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System.

 Commissioned or CLEET-certified agents of the Office of the Attorney General who are hired on or after July 1, 2024, shall participate in and make contributions to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System as other participating employers and members of the System.

 Officers who make the election as provided by this section shall be subject to the following:
 - 1. Upon the date the commissioned or CLEET-certified agent makes the election pursuant to this section, he or she shall cease accruing benefits in the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System and shall commence accruing benefits in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System;

- 2. Prior to the beginning of the month following receipt of the commissioned or CLEET-certified agent's election by the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System shall transfer to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System all employee contributions and employer contributions including any amounts received by the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System on behalf of a transferring member related to a purchase or transfer of credited service to the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System. The Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System shall also send to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System the retirement records of the transferring member;
- 3. To receive service credit accrued by such transferring member prior to the election, or prior to the date as of which the person making the election ceases to be a member of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, whichever date occurs last, the member shall make an irrevocable written election. The election shall be to pay the difference between the amount transferred by the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System in paragraph 2 of this subsection and the amount determined by the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 2-307.5 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes to receive full eligible credit for the years sought to be transferred or receive eligible prorated service credit for only the amount received from

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- the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System pursuant to this subsection. Payments made by such transferring members pursuant to this paragraph shall be made pursuant to subsection B of Section 2-4 307.5 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes;
 - Service credit shall only be transferable pursuant to this section if the transferring member is not receiving or eligible to receive service credit or benefits from said service in any other public retirement system and has not received service credit for the same years of service pursuant to Sections 2-307.1, 2-307.3, and 2-307.4 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Provided further, that only transferred credited service related to the commissioned or CLEET-certified agent with the Office of the Attorney General and any other law enforcement related service, including service with the Office of the Attorney General as a commissioned or CLEETcertified agent or any credited service that was purchased or transferred to the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System from the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System or the Oklahoma Police Pension and Retirement System, shall be included in the determination of an officer's normal retirement date or vesting date in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System; and
 - 5. All service credit with the Oklahoma Public Employees
 Retirement System which is ineligible for transfer to the Oklahoma
 Law Enforcement Retirement System shall be canceled.

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- B. Members participating in the defined contribution system, pursuant to Section 935.1 et seq. of Title 74 of the Oklahoma

 Statutes, who are active commissioned or Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) certified agents of the Office of the Attorney General on June 30, 2024, may make an irrevocable written election within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this act to participate in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System.

 Commissioned or CLEET-certified agents of the Office of the Attorney General who are hired on or after July 1, 2024, shall participate in and make contributions to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System as other participating employers and members of the System.

 Officers who make the election as provided by this section shall be subject to the following:
- 1. Upon the date the commissioned or CLEET-certified agent makes the election pursuant to this section, he or she shall cease participating in and making contributions to the defined contribution system and shall commence accruing benefits in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System;
- 2. Prior to the beginning of the month following receipt of the commissioned or CLEET-certified agent's election by the defined contributions system, the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System shall transfer to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System all employee contributions and employer contributions. The Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System shall also send to the

- Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System the retirement records of the transferring member; and
- 3. To receive service credit accrued by such transferring member prior to the election, or prior to the date as of which the person making the election ceases to be a member of the defined contribution system, whichever date occurs last, the member shall make an irrevocable written election. The election shall be to pay the difference between the amount transferred by the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System in paragraph 2 of this subsection and the amount determined by the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 2-307.5 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes to receive full eligible credit for the years sought to be transferred or receive eligible prorated service credit for only the amount received from the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System pursuant to this subsection. Payments made by such transferring members pursuant to this paragraph shall be made pursuant to subsection B of Section 2-307.5 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- C. The Office of the Attorney General shall be a participating employer in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System for all Office of the Attorney General commissioned or CLEET-certified agents who participate in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System pursuant to the provisions of this section.

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- SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2-309.10 of Title 47, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- A. Members of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System who are active commissioned or Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) certified agents of the Oklahoma Military Department on June 30, 2024, may make an irrevocable written election within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this act to participate in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System.

 Commissioned or CLEET-certified agents of the Oklahoma Military Department who are hired on or after July 1, 2024, shall participate in and make contributions to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System as other participating employers and members of the System.

 Officers who make the election as provided by this section shall be subject to the following:
- 1. Upon the date the commissioned or CLEET-certified agent makes the election pursuant to this section, he or she shall cease accruing benefits in the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System and shall commence accruing benefits in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System;
- 2. Prior to the beginning of the month following receipt of the commissioned or CLEET-certified agent's election by the Oklahoma

 Public Employees Retirement System, the Oklahoma Public Employees

 Retirement System shall transfer to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement

- Retirement System all employee contributions and employer

 contributions including any amounts received by the Oklahoma Public

 Employees Retirement System on behalf of a transferring member

 related to a purchase or transfer of credited service to the

 Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System. The Oklahoma Public

 Employees Retirement System shall also send to the Oklahoma Law

 Enforcement Retirement System the retirement records of the

 transferring member;
 - To receive service credit accrued by such transferring member prior to the election, or prior to the date as of which the person making the election ceases to be a member of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, whichever date occurs last, the member shall make an irrevocable written election. The election shall be to pay the difference between the amount transferred by the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System in paragraph 2 of this subsection and the amount determined by the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 2-307.5 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes to receive full eligible credit for the years sought to be transferred or receive eligible prorated service credit for only the amount received from the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System pursuant to this subsection. Payments made by such transferring members pursuant to this paragraph shall be made pursuant to subsection B of Section 2-307.5 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes;

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- 4. Service credit shall only be transferable pursuant to this section if the transferring member is not receiving or eligible to receive service credit or benefits from said service in any other public retirement system and has not received service credit for the same years of service pursuant to Sections 2-307.1, 2-307.3, and 2-307.4 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Provided further, that only transferred credited service related to the commissioned or CLEET-certified agent with the Oklahoma Military Department and any other law enforcement related service, including service with the Oklahoma Military Department as a commissioned or CLEET-certified agent or any credited service that was purchased or transferred to the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System from the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System or the Oklahoma Police Pension and Retirement System, shall be included in the determination of an officer's normal retirement date or vesting date in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System; and
- 5. All service credit with the Oklahoma Public Employees
 Retirement System which is ineligible for transfer to the Oklahoma
 Law Enforcement Retirement System shall be canceled.
- B. Members participating in the defined contribution system, pursuant to Section 935.1 et seq. of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, who are active commissioned or Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) certified agents of the Oklahoma Military Department on June 30, 2024, may make an irrevocable

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- written election within sixty (60) days of the effective date of
 this act to participate in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement
 System. Commissioned or CLEET-certified agents of the Oklahoma
 Military Department who are hired on or after July 1, 2024, shall
 participate in and make contributions to the Oklahoma Law
 Enforcement Retirement System as other participating employers and
 members of the System. Officers who make the election as provided
 by this section shall be subject to the following:
 - 1. Upon the date the commissioned or CLEET-certified agent makes the election pursuant to this section, he or she shall cease participating in and making contributions to the defined contribution system and shall commence accruing benefits in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System;
 - 2. Prior to the beginning of the month following receipt of the commissioned or CLEET-certified agent's election by the defined contributions system, the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System shall transfer to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System all employee contributions and employer contributions. The Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System shall also send to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System the retirement records of the transferring member; and
 - 3. To receive service credit accrued by such transferring member prior to the election, or prior to the date as of which the person making the election ceases to be a member of the defined

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1 contribution system, whichever date occurs last, the member shall make an irrevocable written election. The election shall be to pay the difference between the amount transferred by the Oklahoma Public 3 Employees Retirement System to the Oklahoma Law Enforcement 5 Retirement System in paragraph 2 of this subsection and the amount determined by the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 2-307.5 of Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes to receive full eligible credit for the years sought to be transferred or receive eligible prorated 8 service credit for only the amount received from the Oklahoma Public 10 Employees Retirement System pursuant to this subsection. Payments 11 made by such transferring members pursuant to this paragraph shall 12 be made pursuant to subsection B of Section 2-307.5 of Title 47 of 1.3 the Oklahoma Statutes.

C. The Oklahoma Military Department shall be a participating employer in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System for all Oklahoma Military Department commissioned or CLEET-certified agents who participate in the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System pursuant to the provisions of this section.

SECTION 4. If the Emergency Clause is not approved pursuant to the requirements of the Oklahoma Constitution as part of this measure, the effective date of Section 1 of this act shall be October 1, 2024.

SECTION 5. If the Emergency Clause is not approved pursuant to the requirements of the Oklahoma Constitution as part of this

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1	measure, the effective date of Sections 2 and 3 of this act shall be		
2	November 1, 2024.		
3	SECTION 6. Except as otherwise provided by Section 4 of this		
4	act, Section 1 of this act shall become effective immediately upon		
5	signature by the Governor or as otherwise provided by Section 58 of		
6	Article V of the Oklahoma Constitution.		
7	SECTION 7. Except as otherwise provided by Section 5 of this		
8	act, Sections 2 and 3 of this act shall become effective July 1,		
9	2024.		
10	SECTION 8. It being immediately necessary for the preservation		
11	of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby		
12	declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and		
13	be in full force from and after its passage and approval.		
14	Passed the House of Representatives the 12th day of March, 2024.		
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19	Passed the Senate the day of, 2024.		
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