

2000 Legislative Changes

Post-Retirement Employment

Section 36-10-36, which allows retired ERSRI and MERS retirees to be employed on a part-time basis by any state college, university or state school for providing classroom instruction, academic advising or coaching, was amended to allow compensation of up to \$12,000 gross pay in a calendar year. The \$12,000 limit also applies to ERSRI retired teachers and state employees (those certified while active employees) who provide classroom instruction in driver education or motorcycle driver education courses for the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. The amendments were effective July 20, 2000. Public Laws 00-349, 00-468, and 00-495 (amends R.I.G.L. 36-10-36)

Teachers' Retirement; Post-Retirement Employment

Effective July 20, 2000, this amendment allows retired teachers to substitute for an absent classroom teacher at state and R.I. public schools for up to 90 days (or 180 half-days of three hours or less) in any one school year, and still collect a retirement benefit. Public Laws 00-334 and 00-458, amends R.I.G.L. 16-16-24.

Membership and Service Credits

The passage and enactment of this law on July 13, 2000 allows ERSRI members to participate in a tax-qualified, ERISA-covered union retirement plan while retaining membership and benefits in ERSRI. Public Law 00-199.