

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1979 SESSION

CHAPTER 972
HOUSE BILL 698

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 135 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES RELATING TO
RETIREMENT AND MEDICAL AND CONTRIBUTION PLANS FOR EMPLOYEES
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 135-1(10) is amended by deleting, in line 6, the words "or officer," and by inserting in line 7, following the word "employee" the following sentence: "Notwithstanding any other provision of law, 'employee' shall include all employees of the General Assembly except participants in the Legislative Intern Program and pages."

Sec. 2. G.S. 135-3(1) is amended by adding a new sentence at the end to read as follows:

"On or after July 1, 1979, upon election, appointment or employment, a Legislative Employee shall automatically become a member of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System."

Sec. 3. G.S. 135-4(e) is amended by adding a new paragraph at the end of the subsection to read as follows:

"On or after July 1, 1979, a member who has obtained sixty (60) months of aggregate service, or five (5) years of membership service, as an employee of the North Carolina General Assembly, except Legislators, participants in the Legislative Intern Program and pages, may make a lump sum payment together with interest, and an administrative fee for such service, to the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System of an amount equal to what he would have contributed had he been a member on his first day of employment."

Sec. 4. This first paragraph of G.S. 135-5(1) is amended by deleting ";" from the end of the subparagraph numbered (3) substituting ", or", and adding a new subparagraph to read as follows:

"(4) The compensations on which contributions were made by the member during the highest 12-month period of the prior 24-month period ending on the last day of the month on which his death occurs."

Sec. 5. The first sentence of G.S. 135-33 is rewritten to read as follows: "The Board of Trustees of the Retirement System shall formulate, establish and administer for teachers and State employees, including all employees of the General Assembly except participants in the Legislative Intern Program and pages, a program of hospital and medical care benefits to the extent that funds for such benefits are specifically appropriated by the General Assembly."

Sec. 6. The first sentence of G.S. 135-34 is rewritten to read as follows:

"The Board of Trustees of the Retirement System shall formulate, establish and administer for teachers and State employees with one or more years of service, including all employees of the General Assembly except participants in the Legislative Intern Program and pages, a program of disability salary continuation benefits to the extent that funds for such benefits are specifically appropriated by the General Assembly."

Sec. 7. G.S. 135-36 is amended by adding, on line 5, after the word "employees" the words "and all employees of the General Assembly except participants in the Legislative Intern Program and pages,".

Sec. 8. This act shall become effective on July 1, 1979.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 8th day of June, 1979.