

thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

Legislative declaration.

SEC. 36. The legislature hereby declares that it intended to pass each section and subsection of this chapter irrespective of every other section or subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof, and instructs all courts that such is its intention, and that such intention should be given effect.

SEC. 37. Sections 1, 2, 5 through 38, chapter 56, Laws of 1941, chapter 248, Laws of 1943, chapter 64, Laws of 1943 and chapter 15.48 RCW are repealed.

Passed the House February 23, 1955.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1955.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1955.

CHAPTER 234.

[H. B. 482.]

RETIREMENT SYSTEMS—TRANSFER FROM STATE TEACHERS' TO STATE EMPLOYEES'.

AN ACT relating to authorization of certain employees to transfer from the state teachers' retirement system to the state employees' retirement system; and amending section 1, chapter 202, Laws of 1953 and RCW 41.32.495.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Amendment.

SECTION 1. Section 1, chapter 202, Laws of 1953 and RCW 41.32.495 are each amended to read as follows:

Authorization to transfer from state teachers' retirement system to state employees' retirement system.

Any public employee of an employer within the jurisdiction of the state employees' retirement system who is a member of the Washington state teachers' retirement system and who is not employed by a school district, state school, or a college of education in a teaching capacity in the public schools of the state as a superintendent, principal, teacher, professor, instructor, or a related capacity may transfer

such membership to the state employees' retirement system by written request filed with the secretary-manager and the executive secretary, respectively, of the two systems. Upon the receipt of such request, the transfer of membership to the state employees' retirement system shall be made, together with a transfer of all accumulated contributions credited to such member, and the secretary-manager of the teachers' retirement system shall transmit to the executive secretary of the state employees' retirement system a record of service credited to such member which shall be computed and credited to such member in the state employees' retirement system in the same manner as prior service together with a transfer from the teachers' pension reserve fund of a sum sufficient to pay into the employees' retirement system the employers' contribution from the period beginning April 1, 1949, to the date of the transfer, or so much thereof that may be necessary to establish the employee to all rights, benefits and privileges that he would have been entitled to had he been a member of the state employees' retirement system from the beginning of his employment or his eligibility: *Provided*, That the right of any employee to file a written request for transfer of membership as set forth herein shall expire June 30, 1956.

Written request.

Transfer of accumulated contributions.

Record of service.

Right to file request for transfer expires June 30, 1956.

SEC. 2. If any provision of this act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

Invalidity.

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