

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the Special Risk Class of the
 3 Florida Retirement System; amending s. 121.0515, F.S.;
 4 adding certain pilots and registered nurses to the
 5 Special Risk Class beginning on a specified date;
 6 providing a declaration of important state interest;
 7 providing an effective date.

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 9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 11 Section 1. Paragraph (i) is added to subsection (2) of
 12 section 121.0515, Florida Statutes, to read:

13 121.0515 Special Risk Class.—

14 (2) MEMBERSHIP.—

15 (i) Effective July 1, 2020, special risk member includes
 16 any member who is employed by a local government as a pilot or
 17 registered nurse and who performs her or his primary duties and
 18 responsibilities on an air ambulance service, as defined in s.
 19 401.23, that is licensed under s. 401.251 and operated by the
 20 local government.

21 Section 2. The Legislature finds that a proper and
 22 legitimate state purpose is served when employees and retirees
 23 of the state and its political subdivisions, and the dependents,
 24 survivors, and beneficiaries of such employees and retirees, are
 25 extended the basic protections afforded by governmental

26 retirement systems. These persons must be provided benefits that
27 are fair and adequate and are managed, administered, and funded
28 in an actuarially sound manner, as required by s. 14, Article X
29 of the State Constitution and part VII of chapter 112, Florida
30 Statutes. Therefore, the Legislature determines and declares
31 that this act fulfills an important state interest.

32 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.