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**A B I L L**

To amend sections 145.295, 742.21, 742.371, 742.375, 1  
3307.761, 3309.73, 5505.201, and 5505.40 and to 2  
enact sections 145.2913, 742.214, 3307.765, 3  
3309.731, and 5505.41 of the Revised Code to permit 4  
multiple transfers of service credit and 5  
contributions between Ohio's state retirement 6  
systems. 7

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That sections 145.295, 742.21, 742.371, 742.375, 8  
3307.761, 3309.73, 5505.201, and 5505.40 be amended and sections 9  
145.2913, 742.214, 3307.765, 3309.731, and 5505.41 of the Revised 10  
Code be enacted to read as follows: 11

**Sec. 145.295.** (A) As used in this section, ~~"military and~~ 12  
section 145.2913 of the Revised Code: 13

(1) "Uniform retirement system" or "uniform system" means the 14  
Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway patrol 15  
retirement system. 16

(2) "Military service credit" means credit purchased or 17

obtained under this chapter or Chapter 742. or 5505. of the 18  
Revised Code for service in the armed forces of the United States. 19

(B) A member of the public employees retirement system who 20  
has contributions on deposit with, but is no longer contributing 21  
to, ~~the Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway patrol~~ 22  
a uniform retirement system shall, in computing years of service, 23  
be given full credit for service credit earned under Chapter 742. 24  
or 5505. of the Revised Code or for military service credit if a 25  
transfer to the public employees retirement system is made under 26  
this division. At the request of the member, the ~~Ohio police and~~ 27  
~~fire pension fund or the state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform 28  
system shall transfer to the public employees retirement system, 29  
for each year of service, the sum of the following: 30

(1) An amount equal to the member's accumulated contributions 31  
to the ~~fund or~~ uniform system making the transfer, and any 32  
payments by the member for military service credit, ~~and any~~ 33  
~~amounts paid under section 742.375 or 5505.201 of the Revised Code~~ 34  
~~to purchase service credit;~~ 35

(2) An amount equal to the lesser of the employer's 36  
contributions to the ~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or state~~ 37  
~~highway patrol retirement~~ uniform system or the amount that would 38  
have been contributed by the employer for the service had the 39  
member been employed by the member's current employer as a member 40  
of the public employees retirement system at the time the credit 41  
was earned; 42

(3) Interest, determined as provided in division (H) of this 43  
section, on the amounts specified in divisions (B)(1) and (2) of 44  
this section for the period from the last day of the year for 45  
which the service credit in the ~~transferring fund or~~ uniform 46  
system was earned or in which ~~payment was made for the~~ military 47  
service credit or ~~credit under section 742.375 or 5505.201 of the~~ 48  
~~Revised Code~~ was purchased or obtained to the date the transfer is 49

made. 50

(C) A member of the public employees retirement system who 51  
has at least eighteen months of contributing service credit with 52  
the public employees retirement system, who is a former member of 53  
~~the Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway patrol a~~ 54  
uniform retirement system, and who has received a refund of the 55  
member's accumulated contributions to that ~~fund or~~ uniform system 56  
shall, in computing years of service, be given full credit for 57  
service credit earned under Chapter 742. or 5505. of the Revised 58  
Code or for military service credit if, for each year of service, 59  
the public employees retirement system receives the sum of the 60  
following: 61

(1) An amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to 62  
the amount refunded by the ~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or~~ 63  
~~the state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform system to the member 64  
for that year for accumulated contributions and payments for 65  
military service credit, with interest at a rate established by 66  
the public employees retirement board on that amount from the date 67  
of the refund to the date of the payment; 68

(2) Interest, which shall be transferred by the ~~Ohio police~~ 69  
~~and fire pension fund or state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform 70  
system, on the amount refunded to the member that is attributable 71  
to the year of service from the last day of the year for which the 72  
service credit was earned or in which payment was made for 73  
military service credit to the date the refund was made; 74

(3) An amount, which shall be transferred by the ~~Ohio police~~ 75  
~~and fire pension fund or state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform 76  
system, equal to the lesser of the employer's contributions to the 77  
~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway patrol~~ 78  
~~retirement~~ uniform system or the amount that would have been 79  
contributed by the employer for the service had the member been 80  
employed by the member's current employer as a member of the 81

public employees retirement system at the time the credit was 82  
earned, with interest on that amount from the last day of the year 83  
for which the service credit was earned or in which payment was 84  
made for military service credit to the date of the transfer. 85

On receipt of payment from the member, the public employees 86  
retirement system shall notify the ~~Ohio police and fire pension~~ 87  
~~fund or the state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform system, which, 88  
on receipt of the notice, shall make the transfer required by this 89  
division. Interest shall be determined as provided in division (H) 90  
of this section. 91

(D) A member of the public employees retirement system who 92  
purchased credit under former division (A)(1) of this section, as 93  
it existed before August 25, 1995, for service as a member of ~~the~~ 94  
~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway patrol~~ a 95  
uniform retirement system may elect to have the amount the member 96  
paid for this service credit refunded to the member under this 97  
division if the member agrees to repurchase this service credit 98  
pursuant to division (C) of this section. 99

(E) Service credit purchased or otherwise obtained under this 100  
section shall be considered the equivalent of Ohio service credit. 101  
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A member may choose to purchase only part of the credit the 103  
member is eligible to purchase under division (C) of this section 104  
in any one payment, subject to rules of the public employees 105  
retirement board. A member is ineligible to purchase or otherwise 106  
obtain credit under this section for service to be used in 107  
calculation of any retirement benefit currently being paid or 108  
payable to the member in the future under any other retirement 109  
program or for service credit that may be transferred under 110  
section 145.2913 of the Revised Code. 111

(F) If a member of the public employees retirement system who 112  
is not a current contributor elects to receive credit under 113

section 742.21 or 5505.40 of the Revised Code for service for  
which the member contributed to the ~~retirement~~ system or made  
payment for military service credit, the ~~retirement~~ system shall  
transfer to the Ohio police and fire pension fund or the state  
highway patrol retirement system, as applicable, the amount  
specified in division (D) of section 742.21 or division (B)(2) of  
section 5505.40 of the Revised Code.

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(G) A member of the public employees retirement system who  
earned service credit in the public employees retirement system  
for full-time service as a township or municipal police officer  
and received service credit in the Ohio police and fire pension  
fund under section 742.511 or 742.512 of the Revised Code for such  
service may elect to have the credit restored as public employees  
retirement system service credit by paying the public employees  
retirement system an amount equal to the accumulated contributions  
paid by the member to the Ohio police and fire pension fund under  
section 742.511 or 742.512 of the Revised Code. When such an  
election is made, the Ohio police and fire pension fund shall  
transfer to the public employees retirement system the amount  
previously transferred under section 742.511 or 742.512 of the  
Revised Code from the public employees retirement system to the  
Ohio police and fire pension fund.

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(H) Interest charged under this section shall be calculated  
separately for each year of service credit. Unless otherwise  
specified in this section, it shall be calculated at the lesser of  
the actuarial assumption rate for that year of the public  
employees retirement system or of the ~~fund or~~ uniform retirement  
system in which the credit was earned. The interest shall be  
compounded annually.

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(I) At the request of the public employees retirement system,  
~~the Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway patrol~~  
uniform retirement system shall certify to the public employees

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retirement system a copy of the records of the service and 146  
contributions of a public employees retirement system member who 147  
seeks service credit under this section. 148

Sec. 145.2913. (A) As used in this section, "transferred 149  
service credit" means service credit purchased or obtained under 150  
section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of 151  
Revised Code prior to the date a member commenced the employment 152  
covered by the public employees retirement system for which the 153  
member is currently contributing to the system. 154

(B) A member of the public employees retirement system who 155  
has contributions on deposit with, but is no longer contributing 156  
to, a uniform retirement system shall, in computing years of 157  
service, be given full credit for transferred service credit if a 158  
transfer to the public employees retirement system is made under 159  
this section. At the request of a member, the uniform system shall 160  
transfer to the public employees retirement system the sum of the 161  
following: 162

(1) An amount equal to the amounts transferred to the uniform 163  
system under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, 164  
or 5505.41 of the Revised Code; 165

(2) Interest, determined as provided in division (E) of this 166  
section, on the amount specified in division (B)(1) of this 167  
section for the period from the last day of the year in which the 168  
transfer under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 169  
5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code was made to the date a 170  
transfer is made under this section. 171

(C) A member of the public employees retirement system with 172  
at least eighteen months of contributing service credit with the 173  
public employees retirement system who has received a refund of 174  
contributions to a uniform retirement system shall, in computing 175  
years of service, be given full credit for transferred service 176

credit if, for each year of service, the public employees 177  
retirement system receives the sum of the following: 178

(1) An amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to 179  
the amount refunded by the uniform system to the member for that 180  
year for transferred service credit, with interest on that amount 181  
from the date of the refund to the date a payment is made under 182  
this section; 183

(2) Interest, which shall be transferred by the uniform 184  
system, on the amount refunded to the member for the period from 185  
the last day of the year in which the transfer under section 186  
742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the 187  
Revised Code was made to the date the refund was made; 188

(3) If the uniform system retained any portion of the amount 189  
transferred under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 190  
5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code, an amount, which shall be 191  
transferred by the uniform system, equal to the amount retained, 192  
with interest on that amount for the period from the last day of 193  
the year in which the transfer under section 742.21, 742.214, 194  
742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code was 195  
made to the date a transfer is made under this section. 196

On receipt of payment from the member, the public employees 197  
retirement system shall notify the uniform system, which, on 198  
receipt of the notice, shall make the transfer required by this 199  
division. Interest shall be determined as provided in division (E) 200  
of this section. 201

(D) Service credit purchased or obtained under this section 202  
shall be considered the equivalent of Ohio service credit. A 203  
member may choose to purchase only part of the credit the member 204  
is eligible to purchase under division (C) of this section in any 205  
one payment, subject to rules adopted by the public employees 206  
retirement board. A member is ineligible to purchase or obtain 207

service credit under this section for service to be used in the 208  
calculation of any retirement benefit currently being paid or 209  
payable to the member in the future under any other retirement 210  
program or for service credit that may be purchased or obtained 211  
under section 145.295 of the Revised Code. 212

(E) Interest charged under this section shall be calculated 213  
separately for each year of service credit at the lesser of the 214  
actuarial assumption rate for that year of the public employees 215  
retirement system or of the uniform retirement system to which the 216  
credit was transferred under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 217  
5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code. The interest 218  
shall be compounded annually. 219

(F) Any amounts transferred or paid under divisions (B) and 220  
(C) of this section that are attributable to contributions made by 221  
the member or to amounts paid to purchase service credit shall be 222  
credited to the employees' savings fund created under section 223  
145.23 of the Revised Code. Any remaining amounts shall be 224  
credited to one or more of the funds created under that section as 225  
determined by the board. 226

(G) At the request of the public employees retirement system, 227  
the uniform retirement system shall certify to the public 228  
employees retirement system a copy of the records of the service 229  
and contributions of a public employees retirement system member 230  
who seeks service credit under this section. The uniform 231  
retirement system shall specify the portions of the amounts 232  
transferred that are attributable to employee contributions, 233  
employer contributions, and interest. 234

(H) If a member of the public employees retirement system who 235  
is not a current contributor elects to receive service credit 236  
under section 742.214 or 5505.41 of the Revised Code for 237  
transferred service credit, as defined in those sections, the 238



system shall transfer to the uniform retirement system, as 239  
applicable, the amount specified in division (B) or (C) of section 240  
742.214 or division (B) or (C) of section 5505.41 of the Revised 241  
Code. 242

(I) The board may adopt rules to implement this section. 243

**Sec. 742.21.** (A) As used in this section and sections 742.211 245  
to ~~742.213~~ 742.214 of the Revised Code: 246

(1) "Full-time service" has the meaning established by rule 247  
of the board of trustees of the Ohio police and fire pension fund. 248

(2) "Military service credit" means credit for service in the 249  
armed forces of the United States purchased or obtained from the 250  
fund, ~~or from the Cincinnati retirement system, public employees~~ 251  
~~retirement system, school employees retirement system, or state~~ 252  
~~teachers a non-uniform~~ retirement system. 253

(3) "Non-uniform retirement system" or "non-uniform system" 254  
means the public employees retirement system, school employees 255  
retirement system, or state teachers retirement system. 256

(B) Unless section 742.212 of the Revised Code applies and 257  
except as provided in division (I) of this section, in computing 258  
the pension and benefits payable under section 742.37 or 742.39 of 259  
the Revised Code, the Ohio police and fire pension fund shall give 260  
a member of the fund who is in the active service of a police or 261  
fire department and is not receiving a pension or benefit payment 262  
from the fund full credit for service credit earned for full-time 263  
service as a member of the Cincinnati retirement system or 264  
purchased or obtained as military service credit if, for each year 265  
of service credit, the fund receives the sum of the following: 266

(1) An amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to 267  
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the amount withdrawn by the member from the retirement system that 269  
is attributable to the year of service credit, with interest at a 270  
rate established by the board on that amount from the date of 271  
withdrawal to the date of payment; 272

(2) Interest, which shall be paid either by the member or the 273  
Cincinnati retirement system, on the amount withdrawn by the 274  
member from the Cincinnati retirement system that is attributable 275  
to the year of service from the last day of the year for which the 276  
service credit was earned or in which payment was made for 277  
military service credit to the date the withdrawal was made; 278

(3) An amount, which shall be paid by either the member or 279  
the Cincinnati retirement system, equal to the lesser of the 280  
amount contributed by the employer to the Cincinnati retirement 281  
system for the year of service or the amount that would have been 282  
contributed by the employer for the year of service had the member 283  
been employed by the member's current employer as a member of a 284  
police or fire department at the time the credit was earned, with 285  
interest on that amount from the last day of the year for which 286  
the service credit was earned or in which payment was made for 287  
military service credit to the date the payment is made; 288

(4) If the member became a member of the fund on or after 289  
September 16, 1998, the amount, which shall be paid by the member, 290  
determined pursuant to division (I) of this section. 291

Interest shall be determined in accordance with division (H) 292  
of this section. 293

(C)(1) Except as provided in division (I) of this section, in 294  
computing the pension and benefits payable under section 742.37 or 295  
742.39 of the Revised Code, the fund shall give a member of the 296  
fund who is in the active service of a police or fire department, 297  
is not receiving a pension or benefit payment from the fund, and 298  
has withdrawn the member's contributions from ~~the public employees~~ 299

~~retirement system, school employees retirement system, or state~~ 300  
~~teachers a non-uniform~~ retirement system full credit for service 301  
credit earned for full-time service as a member of the ~~public~~ 302  
~~employees retirement system, school employees retirement system,~~ 303  
~~or state teachers retirement non-uniform~~ system or purchased or 304  
obtained as military service credit if, for each year of service, 305  
the fund receives the sum of the following: 306

(a) An amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to 307  
the amount withdrawn by the member from the ~~former retirement~~ 308  
~~non-uniform~~ system that is attributable to that year of service 309  
credit, with interest at a rate established by the board on that 310  
amount from the date of withdrawal to the date of payment; 311

(b) If the member is seeking credit for service under the 312  
public employees retirement system or state teachers retirement 313  
system, an amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to the 314  
amount of any employer contributions and interest on employee 315  
contributions the member received under section 145.40 or 3307.563 316  
of the Revised Code; 317

(c) Interest, which shall be transferred by the ~~former~~ 318  
~~retirement non-uniform~~ system, on the amount withdrawn by the 319  
member from the ~~retirement non-uniform~~ system that is attributable 320  
to the year of service from the last day of the year for which the 321  
service credit was earned or in which payment was made for 322  
military service credit to the date the withdrawal was made; 323

(d) An amount, which shall be transferred by the ~~former~~ 324  
~~retirement non-uniform~~ system, equal to the lesser of the amount 325  
contributed by the employer to the ~~retirement non-uniform~~ system 326  
for the year of service or the amount that would have been 327  
contributed by the employer for the year of service had the member 328  
been employed by the member's current employer as a member of a 329  
police or fire department at the time the credit was earned, with 330  
interest on ~~the that~~ amount ~~transferred~~ from the last day of the 331

year for which the service credit was earned or in which payment 332  
was made for military service credit to the date the transfer is 333  
made; 334

(e) If the member became a member of the fund on or after 335  
September 16, 1998, the amount, which shall be paid by the member, 336  
determined pursuant to division (I) of this section. 337

(2) On receipt of payment from the member, the fund shall 338  
notify the ~~former retirement~~ non-uniform system, and on receipt of 339  
the notice, the ~~retirement~~ non-uniform system shall make the 340  
transfer. Interest shall be determined in accordance with division 341  
(H) of this section. 342

(3) The amount transferred under division (C)(1) of this 343  
section by the public employees retirement system or state 344  
teachers retirement system shall not include any amount of 345  
employer contributions and interest on employee contributions the 346  
member received under section 145.40 or 3307.563 of the Revised 347  
Code. 348

(D) Except as provided in division (I) of this section, in 349  
computing the pension and benefits payable under section 742.37 or 350  
742.39 of the Revised Code, the fund shall give a member of the 351  
fund who is in the active service of a police or fire department, 352  
is not receiving a pension or benefit from the fund, and has 353  
contributions on deposit with ~~the public employees retirement~~ 354  
~~system, school employees retirement system, or state teachers a~~ 355  
non-uniform retirement system full credit for service credit 356  
earned for full-time service as a member of ~~one of those~~ 357  
~~retirement systems, the non-uniform system or~~ service credit 358  
purchased or obtained as military service credit, ~~and any service~~ 359  
~~credit obtained under section 145.295, 3307.761, or 3309.73 of the~~ 360  
~~Revised Code for service for which contributions were made to the~~ 361  
~~state highway patrol retirement system. The credit shall be given~~ 362  
if both of the following occur: 363

(1) The ~~retirement~~ non-uniform system transfers to the fund, 364  
for each year of service, the sum of the following: 365

(a) The amount, contributed by the member or, in the case of 366  
military service credit, paid by the member, that is attributable 367  
to that service; 368

(b) An amount equal to the lesser of the amount contributed 369  
by the employer to the ~~retirement~~ non-uniform system for the year 370  
of service or the amount that would have been contributed by the 371  
employer for the year of service had the member been employed by 372  
the member's current employer as a member of a police or fire 373  
department at the time the credit was earned; 374

~~(c) An amount equal to any amount received by the retirement 375  
system under section 145.295, 3307.761, or 3309.73 of the Revised 376  
Code;~~ 377

~~(d) Interest on the amounts specified in divisions (D)(1)(a), 378  
and (b), and (c) of this section from the last day of the year for 379  
which the service credit in the ~~transferring retirement~~ 380  
non-uniform system was earned or in which ~~payment was made for~~ 381  
military service credit or credit under section 145.295, 3307.761, 382  
or 3309.73 of the Revised Code was purchased or obtained to the 383  
date the transfer is made. 384~~

(2) If the member became a member of the fund on or after 385  
September 16, 1998, the member pays the amount determined pursuant 386  
to division (I) of this section. 387

On receipt of a request from the member, the appropriate 388  
~~retirement~~ non-uniform system shall make the transfer specified in 389  
division (D)(1) of this section. Interest shall be determined in 390  
accordance with division (H) of this section. 391

(E) Subject to board rules, a member of the fund may choose 392  
to purchase in any one payment only part of the credit the member 393  
is eligible to purchase under division (B) or (C)(1) of this 394

section. 395

(F) At the request of the fund, the ~~public employees~~ 396  
~~retirement system, school employees retirement system, state~~ 397  
~~teachers non-uniform~~ retirement system, or Cincinnati retirement 398  
system shall certify to the fund a copy of the records of the 399  
service and contributions of a member of the fund who seeks 400  
service credit under this section. 401

(G) A member of the fund is ineligible to receive credit 402  
under this section for service that is used in the calculation of 403  
any retirement benefit currently being paid or payable in the 404  
future to the member under any other retirement program, or 405  
service rendered concurrently with any other period for which 406  
service credit has already been granted, or for service credit 407  
that may be transferred under section 742.214 of the Revised Code. 408

(H) Interest charged under this section shall be calculated 409  
separately for each year of service credit. Unless otherwise 410  
specified in this section, it shall be calculated at the lesser of 411  
the actuarial assumption rate for that year of the fund or of the 412  
~~retirement~~ system in which the credit was earned. The interest 413  
shall be compounded annually. 414

The board may, by rule, establish procedures for the receipt 415  
of service credit under this section. 416

(I) The amount to be paid pursuant to division (B)(4), 417  
(C)~~(4)~~(1)(e), or (D)(2) of this section or division (B)(2) or 418  
(C)(2)(b) of section 742.212 of the Revised Code is the sum of the 419  
following: 420

(1) An amount equal to the difference between the amount the 421  
member paid as employee contributions for the service and the 422  
amount the member would have paid had the member been employed by 423  
the member's current employer as a member of a police or fire 424  
department; 425

(2) An amount equal to the difference between the amount paid 426  
or transferred under division (B)(3), (C)~~(3)~~(1)(d), or (D)(1)(b) 427  
of this section or division (B)(2) or (C)(2)(b) of section 742.212 428  
of the Revised Code and the amount that would have been 429  
contributed by the employer for the service had the member been 430  
employed by the member's current employer as a member of a police 431  
or fire department; 432

(3) Interest, determined in accordance with division (H) of 433  
this section, on the amounts specified in divisions (I)(1) and (2) 434  
of this section. 435

At the request of a member, in lieu of requiring payment of 436  
all or part of the amount determined under this division the fund 437  
may grant the member an amount of service credit under division 438  
(B), (C), or (D) of this section or division (B) or (C) of section 439  
742.212 of the Revised Code that is less than the amount for which 440  
the member is eligible. The service credit granted shall be the 441  
same percentage of the service credit for which the member is 442  
eligible that the amount the fund receives under division (B), 443  
(C), or (D) of this section or division (B) or (C) of section 444  
742.212 of the Revised Code is of the total amount it would 445  
receive under those divisions if the full amount determined under 446  
this division was paid. 447

(J)(1) Except as provided in division (J)(2) of this section 448  
and notwithstanding any contrary provision of this section, the 449  
board shall, in computing a pension or benefit under section 450  
742.37 or 742.39 of the Revised Code, give a member of the fund 451  
who is not receiving a pension or disability benefit from the fund 452  
full credit for service credit purchased under this section for 453  
service that was less than full-time service if the member 454  
provides evidence satisfactory to the board that, after receiving 455  
written notice from the fund indicating that the member would be 456  
permitted to purchase service credit for service that was less 457

than full-time, the member changed or ceased the member's  
employment with the understanding that the credit identified in  
the notice would be used in computing a pension or benefit. If the  
board has canceled service credit purchased under this section for  
service that was less than full-time service and the member meets  
the requirements of division (J)(1) of this section, the board  
shall restore the service credit on repayment to the fund of the  
amount refunded to the member at the time of cancellation.

(2) If a member of the fund who is not receiving a pension or  
disability benefit from the fund purchased credit under this  
section for service that was less than full-time service and does  
not meet the requirements of division (J)(1) of this section, the  
board shall refund to the member any amounts paid to purchase the  
credit, with interest at a rate determined by the board from the  
date the member purchased the credit to the date of the refund.

(K) A member of the fund who has purchased service credit  
under this section, or the member's estate, is entitled to a  
refund of the amount or portion of the amount paid to purchase the  
credit if the purchased credit or portion of credit does not  
increase a pension or benefit payable under section 742.37 or  
742.39 of the Revised Code. The refund cancels an equivalent  
amount of service credit.

(L) If a member or former member of the fund who is not a  
current contributor and has not received a refund of accumulated  
contributions elects to receive credit under section 145.295,  
3307.761, or 3309.73 of the Revised Code for service for which the  
member contributed to the fund or purchased as military service  
credit, the fund shall transfer to the ~~public employees retirement  
system, school employees retirement system, or state teachers  
non-uniform~~ retirement system the amount specified in division (B)  
of section 145.295 of the Revised Code, division ~~(B)~~(C) of section  
3307.761 of the Revised Code, or division (B) of section 3309.73



of the Revised Code. 490

(M) The board shall adopt rules establishing a payroll 491  
deduction plan for the purchase of service credit under this 492  
section. The rules shall meet the requirements described in 493  
section 742.56 of the Revised Code. 494

Sec. 742.214. (A) As used in this section, "transferred 495  
service credit" means service credit purchased or obtained under 496  
section 145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761, 3307.765, 3309.73, or 497  
3309.731 of Revised Code prior to the date a member commenced the 498  
employment covered by the Ohio police and fire pension fund for 499  
which the member is currently contributing to the fund. 500

(B) A member of the Ohio police and fire pension fund who is 501  
in the active service of a police or fire department and has 502  
contributions on deposit with, but is no longer contributing to, a 503  
non-uniform retirement system shall, in computing years of 504  
service, be given full credit for transferred service credit if a 505  
transfer to the Ohio police and fire pension fund is made under 506  
this section. At the request of a member, the non-uniform system 507  
shall transfer to the Ohio police and fire pension fund the sum of 508  
the following: 509

(1) An amount equal to the amounts transferred to the 510  
non-uniform system under section 145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761, 511  
3307.765, 3309.73, or 3309.731 of the Revised Code; 512

(2) Interest, determined as provided in division (E) of this 513  
section, on the amount specified in division (B)(1) of this 514  
section for the period from the last day of the year in which the 515  
transfer under section 145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761, 3307.765, 516  
3309.73, or 3309.731 of the Revised Code was made to the date a 517  
transfer is made under this section. 518

(C) A member of the fund with at least eighteen months of 519  
contributing service credit with the Ohio police and fire pension 520

fund who is in the active service of a police or fire department 521  
and has received a refund of contributions to a non-uniform 522  
retirement system shall, in computing years of service, be given 523  
full credit for transferred service credit if, for each year of 524  
service, the Ohio police and fire pension fund receives the sum of 525  
the following: 526

(1) An amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to 527  
the amount refunded by the non-uniform system to the member for 528  
that year for transferred service credit, with interest on that 529  
amount from the date of the refund to the date a payment is made 530  
under this section; 531

(2) Interest, which shall be transferred by the non-uniform 532  
system, on the amount refunded to the member for the period from 533  
the last day of the year in which the transfer under section 534  
145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761, 3307.765, 3309.73, or 3309.731 of the 535  
Revised Code was made to the date the refund was made; 536

(3) If the non-uniform system retained any portion of the 537  
amount transferred under section 145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761, 538  
3307.765, 3309.73, or 3309.731 of the Revised Code, an amount, 539  
which shall be transferred by the non-uniform system, equal to the 540  
amount retained, with interest on that amount for the period from 541  
the last day of the year in which the transfer under section 542  
145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761, 3307.765, 3309.73, or 3309.731 of the 543  
Revised Code was made to the date a transfer is made under this 544  
section. 545

On receipt of payment from the member, the Ohio police and 546  
fire pension fund shall notify the non-uniform system, which, on 547  
receipt of the notice, shall make the transfer required by this 548  
division. Interest shall be determined as provided in division (E) 549  
of this section. 550

(D) Service credit purchased or obtained under this section 551

shall be used in computing the pension and benefits payable under 552  
section 742.37 or 742.39 of the Revised Code. A member may choose 553  
to purchase only part of the credit the member is eligible to 554  
purchase under division (C) of this section in any one payment, 555  
subject to rules adopted by the board of trustees of the Ohio 556  
police and fire pension fund. A member is ineligible to purchase 557  
or obtain service credit under this section for service to be used 558  
in the calculation of any retirement benefit currently being paid 559  
or payable to the member in the future under any other retirement 560  
program or for service credit that may be purchased or obtained 561  
under section 742.21 of the Revised Code. 562

(E) Interest charged under this section shall be calculated 563  
separately for each year of service credit at the lesser of the 564  
actuarial assumption rate for that year of the Ohio police and 565  
fire pension fund or of the non-uniform retirement system to which 566  
the credit was transferred under section 145.295, 145.2913, 567  
3307.761, 3307.765, 3309.73, or 3309.731 of the Revised Code. The 568  
interest shall be compounded annually. 569

(F) Any amounts transferred or paid under divisions (B) and 570  
(C) of this section that are attributable to contributions made by 571  
the member or to amounts paid to purchase service credit shall be 572  
credited to the police officers' contribution fund or 573  
firefighters' contribution fund created under section 742.59 of 574  
the Revised Code, as applicable. Any remaining amounts shall be 575  
credited to one or more of the funds created under that section as 576  
determined by the board. 577

(G) At the request of the Ohio police and fire pension fund, 578  
the non-uniform retirement system shall certify to the fund a copy 579  
of the records of the service and contributions of a member of the 580  
fund who seeks service credit under this section. The non-uniform 581  
retirement system shall specify the portions of the amounts 582

transferred that are attributable to employee contributions, 583  
employer contributions, and interest. 584

(H) If a member of the fund who is not a current contributor 585  
elects to receive service credit under section 145.2913, 3307.765, 586  
or 3309.731 of the Revised Code for transferred service credit, as 587  
defined in those sections, the fund shall transfer to the 588  
non-uniform retirement system, as applicable, the amount specified 589  
in division (B) or (C) of section 145.2913, division (B) or (C) of 590  
section 3307.765, or division (B) or (C) of section 3309.731 of 591  
the Revised Code. 592

(I) The board may adopt rules to implement this section. 593

**Sec. 742.371.** (A) As used in this section, "lay off" has the 595  
same meaning as in division (A) of section 742.27 of the Revised 596  
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(B) ~~A~~ Except for service credit transferred under section 598  
742.214 of the Revised Code, a member of the fund who has 599  
voluntarily resigned or who voluntarily resigns or who has been or 600  
is removed from active service in a police or fire department for 601  
any reason other than a lay off that was involuntary, as certified 602  
pursuant to division (C) of this section, and receives or has 603  
received from a police relief and pension fund under division (I) 604  
of former section 741.49 of the Revised Code, or from a firemen's 605  
relief and pension fund under division (I) of former section 606  
741.18 of the Revised Code, or from a township firemen's relief 607  
and pension fund under division (I) of former section 521.11 of 608  
the Revised Code, or from the Ohio police and fire pension fund 609  
under division (G) of section 742.37 of the Revised Code, an 610  
amount equal to the sum deducted from the member's salary and 611  
credited to one of such funds shall, upon reinstatement to the 612  
active service of such police or fire department, deposit with the 613

Ohio police and fire pension fund an amount equal to the sum so 614  
received by the member, with interest compounded annually thereon, 615  
at a rate to be determined by the board of trustees of the Ohio 616  
police and fire pension fund, from the date of such receipt to the 617  
date of such deposit. The member may choose to purchase only part 618  
of such credit in any one payment, subject to board rules. Such 619  
member shall not be entitled to receive any pension or benefit 620  
payments under division (B) or (C) of section 742.37 or section 621  
742.39 of the Revised Code until the member has made the deposit 622  
required by this section. 623

(C) A member of the fund who has been or is removed from 624  
active service in a police or fire department as a result of a lay 625  
off that was involuntary, as certified pursuant to this division, 626  
and receives or has received from a police relief and pension fund 627  
under division (I) of former section 741.49 of the Revised Code, 628  
or from a firemen's relief and pension fund under division (I) of 629  
former section 741.18 of the Revised Code, or from a township 630  
firemen's relief and pension fund under division (I) of former 631  
section 521.11 of the Revised Code, or from the Ohio police and 632  
fire pension fund under division (G) of section 742.37 of the 633  
Revised Code, an amount equal to the sum deducted from the 634  
member's salary and credited to one of such funds may, upon 635  
reinstatement to the active service of such police or fire 636  
department, deposit with the Ohio police and fire pension fund an 637  
amount equal to the sum so received by the member, with interest 638  
compounded annually thereon, at a rate to be determined by the 639  
board of trustees of the Ohio police and fire pension fund from 640  
the date of such receipt to the date of such deposit. The member 641  
may choose to purchase only part of such credit in any one 642  
payment, subject to board rules. 643

If any police or fire department reinstates a member of the 644  
fund who was removed from active service in that police or fire 645

department as a result of a lay off that was involuntary, the  
police or fire department shall upon the request of that member  
certify to the fund that the member was removed from active  
service in that police or fire department as a result of a lay off  
that was involuntary.

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**Sec. 742.375.** A Except for service credit transferred under  
section 742.214 of the Revised Code, a member of the fund who is  
in the active service of a police or fire department and is not  
receiving a pension or benefit payment from the Ohio police and  
fire pension fund shall, in computing years of active service in  
such department under division (C) of section 742.37 or section  
742.39 of the Revised Code, be given full credit for the time  
served in the state highway patrol retirement system, provided  
such member pays into the Ohio police and fire pension fund the  
amount received by the member under section 5505.19 of the Revised  
Code, with interest compounded annually thereon at a rate to be  
determined by the board of trustees of the Ohio police and fire  
pension fund from the date of such receipt to the date of such  
deposit. The member may choose to purchase only part of such  
credit in any one payment, subject to board rules.

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highway patrol retirement system of such payment by the member of  
the fund, the state highway patrol retirement board shall pay from  
the employer's accumulation fund under division (C) of section  
5505.03 of the Revised Code to the Ohio police and fire pension  
fund an amount equal to the payment of the member of the fund.

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**Sec. 3307.761.** (A) As used in this section, "military and  
section 3307.765 of the Revised Code:

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(1) "Uniform retirement system" or "uniform system" means the  
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(2) "Military service credit" means credit purchased or  
obtained under this chapter or Chapter 742. or 5505. of the  
Revised Code for service in the armed forces of the United States.

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(B) A member of the state teachers retirement system  
participating in the plan described in sections 3307.50 to 3307.79  
of the Revised Code who has contributions on deposit with ~~the Ohio~~  
~~police and fire pension fund or the state highway patrol~~ a uniform  
retirement system shall, in computing years of total service, be  
given full credit for service credit earned under Chapter 742. or  
5505. of the Revised Code or for military service credit if a  
transfer to the state teachers retirement system is made under  
this division. At the request of the member, the ~~Ohio police and~~  
~~fire pension fund or state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform  
system shall transfer to the state teachers retirement system, for  
each year of service, the sum of the following:

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(1) An amount equal to the member's accumulated contributions  
to the ~~transferring fund or uniform~~ system, and any payments by  
the member for military service credit, ~~and any amounts paid under~~  
~~section 742.375 or 5505.201 of the Revised Code to purchase~~  
~~service credit;~~

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(2) An amount equal to the lesser of the employer's  
contributions to the ~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or state~~  
~~highway patrol retirement~~ uniform system or the amount that would  
have been contributed by the employer for the service had the  
member been a member of the state teachers retirement system at  
the time the credit was earned;

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(3) Interest, determined as provided in division (F) of this  
section, on the amounts specified in divisions (B)(1) and (2) of  
this section from the last day of the year for which the service  
credit in the ~~transferring fund or uniform~~ system was earned or in

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~~credit under section 742.375 or 5505.201 of the Revised Code~~ was 708  
purchased or obtained to the date the transfer is made. 709

(C) A member participating in the plan described in sections 710  
3307.50 to 3307.79 of the Revised Code who has at least eighteen 711  
months of contributing service with the state teachers retirement 712  
system, is a former member of ~~the Ohio police and fire pension~~ 713  
~~fund or state highway patrol~~ a uniform retirement system, and has 714  
received a refund of contributions to that ~~fund or~~ uniform system 715  
shall, in computing years of total service, be given full credit 716  
for service credit earned under Chapter 742. or 5505. of the 717  
Revised Code or for military service credit if, for each year of 718  
service, the state teachers retirement system receives the sum of 719  
the following: 720

(1) An amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to 721  
the amount refunded by the ~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or~~ 722  
~~the state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform system to the member 723  
for that year for accumulated contributions and payments for 724  
military service credit, with interest at a rate established by 725  
the state teachers retirement board on that amount from the date 726  
of the refund to the date of the payment; 727

(2) Interest, which shall be transferred by the ~~Ohio police~~ 728  
~~and fire pension fund or state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform 729  
system, on the amount refunded to the member that is attributable 730  
to the year of service from the last day of the year for which the 731  
service credit was earned or in which payment was made for 732  
military service credit to the date the refund was made; 733

(3) An amount, which shall be transferred by the ~~Ohio police~~ 734  
~~and fire pension fund or state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform 735  
system, equal to the lesser of the employer's contributions to the 736  
~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway patrol~~ 737  
~~retirement~~ uniform system or the amount that would have been 738



contributed by the employer for the service had the member been a 739  
member of the state teachers retirement system at the time the 740  
credit was earned, with interest on that amount from the last day 741  
of the year for which the service credit was earned or in which 742  
payment was made for military service to the date of the transfer. 743  
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On receipt of payment from the member, the state teachers 745  
retirement system shall notify the ~~Ohio police and fire pension~~ 746  
~~fund or the state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform system, which, 747  
on receipt of the notice, shall make the transfer required by this 748  
division. Interest shall be determined as provided in division (F) 749  
of this section. 750

A member may choose to purchase only part of the credit the 751  
member is eligible to purchase under this division in any one 752  
payment, subject to rules of the state teachers retirement board. 753

(D) A member is ineligible to obtain credit under this 754  
section for service that is used in the calculation of any 755  
retirement benefit currently being paid or payable in the future 756  
under any other retirement program or for service credit that may 757  
be transferred under section 3307.765 of the Revised Code. 758

(E) If a member of the state teachers retirement system who 759  
is not a current contributor elects to obtain credit under section 760  
742.21 or 5505.40 of the Revised Code for service for which the 761  
member contributed to the ~~state teachers retirement~~ system or ~~made~~ 762  
~~payment~~ purchased for military service credit, the ~~state teachers~~ 763  
~~retirement~~ system shall transfer to the ~~Ohio police and fire~~ 764  
~~pension fund or state highway patrol~~ uniform retirement system, as 765  
applicable, the amount specified in division (D) of section 742.21 766  
or division (B)(2) of section 5505.40 of the Revised Code. 767

(F) Interest charged under this section shall be calculated 768  
separately for each year of service credit. Unless otherwise 769  
specified in this section it shall be calculated at the lesser of 770

the actuarial assumption rate for that year of the state teachers  
retirement system or of the ~~fund~~ or uniform retirement system in  
which the credit was earned. The interest shall be compounded  
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(G) The state teachers retirement board shall credit to a  
member's account in the teachers' savings fund the amounts  
described in divisions (B)(1) and (C)(1) of this section, except  
that the interest paid by the member under division (C)(1) of this  
section shall be credited to the employers' trust fund. The board  
shall credit to the employers' trust fund the amounts described in  
divisions (B)(2) and (3) and (C)(2) and (3) of this section.

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(H) At the request of the state teachers retirement system,  
the Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway patrol  
retirement system shall certify to the state teachers retirement  
system a copy of the records of the service and contributions of a  
state teachers retirement system member who seeks service credit  
under this section.

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Sec. 3307.765. (A) As used in this section, "transferred  
service credit" means service credit purchased or obtained under  
section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of  
the Revised Code prior to the date a member commenced the  
employment covered by the state teachers retirement system for  
which the member is currently contributing to the system.

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(B) A member of the state teachers retirement system who has  
contributions on deposit with, but is no longer contributing to, a  
uniform retirement system shall, in computing years of total  
service, be given full credit for transferred service credit if a  
transfer to the state teachers retirement system is made under  
this section. At the request of a member, the uniform system shall  
transfer to the state teachers retirement system the sum of the  
following:

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(1) An amount equal to the amounts transferred to the uniform system under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code; 802  
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(2) Interest, determined as provided in division (E) of this section, on the amount specified in division (B)(1) of this section for the period from the last day of the year in which the transfer under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code was made to the date a transfer is made under this section. 805  
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(C) A member of the state teachers retirement system with at least eighteen months of contributing service credit with the state teachers retirement system who has received a refund of contributions to a uniform retirement system shall, in computing years of total service, be given full credit for transferred service credit if, for each year of service, the state teachers retirement system receives the sum of the following: 811  
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(1) An amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to the amount refunded by the uniform system to the member for that year for transferred service credit, with interest on that amount from the date of the refund to the date a payment is made under this section; 818  
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(2) Interest, which shall be transferred by the uniform system, on the amount refunded to the member for the period from the last day of the year in which the transfer under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code was made to the date the refund was made; 823  
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(3) If the uniform system retained any portion of the amount transferred under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code, an amount, which shall be transferred by the uniform system, equal to the amount retained, with interest on that amount for the period from the last day of 828  
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the year in which the transfer under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code was made to the date a transfer is made under this section. 833  
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On receipt of payment from the member, the state teachers retirement system shall notify the uniform system, which, on receipt of the notice, shall make the transfer required by this division. Interest shall be determined as provided in division (E) of this section. 836  
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(D) A member may choose to purchase only part of the credit the member is eligible to purchase under division (C) of this section in any one payment, subject to rules adopted by the state teachers retirement board. A member is ineligible to purchase or obtain service credit under this section for service to be used in the calculation of any retirement benefit currently being paid or payable to the member in the future under any other retirement program or for service credit that may be purchased or obtained under section 3307.761 of the Revised Code. 841  
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(E) Interest charged under this section shall be calculated separately for each year of service credit at the lesser of the actuarial assumption rate for that year of the state teachers retirement system or of the uniform retirement system to which the credit was transferred under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code. The interest shall be compounded annually. 850  
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(F) Any amounts transferred or paid under divisions (B) and (C) of this section that are attributable to contributions made by the member or to amounts paid to purchase service credit shall be credited to the teachers' savings fund created under section 3307.14 of the Revised Code. Any remaining amounts shall be credited to one or more of the funds created under that section as determined by the board. 857  
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(G) At the request of the state teachers retirement system, 864  
the uniform retirement system shall certify to the state teachers 865  
retirement system a copy of the records of the service and 866  
contributions of a state teachers retirement system member who 867  
seeks service credit under this section. The uniform retirement 868  
system shall specify the portions of the amounts transferred that 869  
are attributable to employee contributions, employer 870  
contributions, and interest. 871

(H) If a member of the state teachers retirement system who 872  
is not a current contributor elects to receive service credit 873  
under section 742.214 or 5505.41 of the Revised Code for 874  
transferred service credit, as defined in those sections, the 875  
system shall transfer to the uniform retirement system, as 876  
applicable, the amount specified in division (B) or (C) of section 877  
742.214 or division (B) or (C) of section 5505.41 of the Revised 878  
Code. 879

(I) The board may adopt rules to implement this section. 880

**Sec. 3309.73.** (A) As used in this section, ~~"military and~~ 882  
section 3309.731 of the Revised Code: 883

(1) "Uniform retirement system" or "uniform system" means the 884  
Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway patrol 885  
retirement system. 886

(2) "Military service credit" means service credit purchased 887  
or obtained under this chapter or Chapter 742. or 5505. of the 888  
Revised Code for service in the armed forces of the United States. 889

(B) A member of the school employees retirement system who 890  
has contributions on deposit with ~~the Ohio police and fire pension~~ 891  
~~fund or the state highway patrol~~ a uniform retirement system 892  
shall, in computing years of total service, be given full credit 893  
for service credit earned under Chapter 742. or 5505. of the 894

Revised Code or purchased or obtained for military service credit 895  
if a transfer to the school employees retirement system is made 896  
under this division. At the request of the member, the ~~Ohio police~~ 897  
~~and fire pension fund or state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform 898  
system shall transfer to the school employees retirement system, 899  
for each year of service, the sum of the following: 900

(1) An amount equal to the member's accumulated contributions 901  
to the ~~transferring fund or~~ uniform system, and any payments by 902  
the member for military service credit, ~~and any amounts paid under~~ 903  
~~section 742.375 or 5505.201 of the Revised Code to purchase~~ 904  
~~service credit;~~ 905

(2) An amount equal to the lesser of the employer's 906  
contributions to the ~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or state~~ 907  
~~highway patrol retirement~~ uniform system or the amount that would 908  
have been contributed by the employer for the service had the 909  
member been a member of the school employees retirement system at 910  
the time the credit was earned; 911

(3) Interest, determined as provided in division (F) of this 912  
section, on the amounts specified in divisions (B)(1) and (2) of 913  
this section from the last day of the year for which the service 914  
credit in the ~~transferring fund or~~ uniform system was earned or in 915  
which ~~payment was made for~~ military service credit ~~or service~~ 916  
~~credit under section 742.375 or 5505.201 of the Revised Code was~~ 917  
purchased or obtained to the date the transfer is made. 918

(C) A member who has at least eighteen months of contributing 919  
service with the school employees retirement system, is a former 920  
member of the ~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway~~ 921  
~~patrol~~ a uniform retirement system, and has received a refund of 922  
contributions to that ~~fund or~~ uniform system shall, in computing 923  
years of total service, be given full credit for service credit 924  
earned under Chapter 742. or 5505. of the Revised Code or 925  
purchased or obtained for military service credit if, for each 926

year of service, the school employees retirement system receives 927  
the sum of the following: 928

(1) An amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to 929  
the amount refunded by the ~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or~~ 930  
~~the state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform system to the member 931  
for that year for accumulated contributions and payments for 932  
purchase of ~~credit for~~ military service credit, with interest at a 933  
rate established by the school employees retirement board on that 934  
amount from the date of the refund to the date of the payment; 935  
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(2) Interest, which shall be transferred by the ~~Ohio police~~ 937  
~~and fire pension fund or state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform 938  
system, on the amount refunded to the member that is attributable 939  
to the year of service from the last day of the year for which the 940  
service credit was earned or in which payment was made for 941  
military service credit to the date the refund was made; 942

(3) An amount, which shall be transferred by the ~~Ohio police~~ 943  
~~and fire pension fund or state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform 944  
system, that is equal to the lesser of the employer's 945  
contributions to the ~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or state~~ 946  
~~highway patrol retirement~~ uniform system or the amount that would 947  
have been contributed by the employer for the service had the 948  
member been a member of the school employees retirement system at 949  
the time the credit was earned, with interest on that amount from 950  
the last day of the year for which the service credit was earned 951  
or in which payment was made for military service credit to the 952  
date of the transfer. 953

On receipt of payment from the member, the school employees 954  
retirement system shall notify the ~~Ohio police and fire pension~~ 955  
~~fund or the state highway patrol retirement~~ uniform system, which, 956  
on receipt of the notice, shall make the transfer required by this 957  
division. Interest shall be determined as provided in division (F) 958

of this section. The member may choose to purchase only part of 959  
such credit in any one payment, subject to board rules. 960

(D) A member is ineligible to obtain service credit under 961  
this section for service that is used in the calculation of any 962  
retirement benefit currently being paid or payable in the future 963  
to the member under any other retirement program or for service 964  
credit that may be transferred under section 3309.731 of the 965  
Revised Code. 966

Service credit obtained under this section shall be 967  
considered the equivalent of Ohio service credit. 968

(E) If a member of the school employees retirement system who 969  
is not a current contributor elects to obtain credit under section 970  
742.21 or 5505.40 of the Revised Code for service for which the 971  
member contributed to the school employees retirement system or 972  
made payment for military service credit, the school employees 973  
retirement system shall transfer to the ~~Ohio police and fire~~ 974  
~~pension fund or state highway patrol~~ uniform retirement system, as 975  
applicable, the amount specified in division (D) of section 742.21 976  
or division (B)(2) of section 5505.40 of the Revised Code. 977

(F) Interest charged under this section shall be calculated 979  
separately for each year of service credit. Unless otherwise 980  
specified in this section, it shall be calculated at the lesser of 981  
the actuarial assumption rate for that year of the school 982  
employees retirement system or of the ~~fund or~~ uniform retirement 983  
system in which the credit was earned. The interest shall be 984  
compounded annually. 985

(G) At the request of the school employees retirement system, 986  
the ~~Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway patrol~~ 987  
uniform retirement system shall certify to the school employees 988  
retirement system a copy of the records of the service and 989  
contributions of a school employees retirement system member who 990



seeks service credit under this section. 991

Sec. 3309.731. (A) As used in this section, "transferred service credit" means service credit purchased or obtained under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code prior to the date a member commenced the employment covered by the school employees retirement system for which the member is currently contributing to the system. 992  
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(B) A member of the school employees retirement system who has contributions on deposit with, but is no longer contributing to, a uniform retirement system shall, in computing years of service, be given full credit for transferred service credit if a transfer to the school employees retirement system is made under this section. At the request of a member, the uniform system shall transfer to the school employees retirement system the sum of the following: 998  
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(1) An amount equal to the amounts transferred to the uniform system under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code; 1006  
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(2) Interest, determined as provided in division (E) of this section, on the amount specified in division (B)(1) of this section for the period from the last day of the year in which the transfer under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code was made to the date a transfer is made under this section. 1009  
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(C) A member of the school employees retirement system with at least eighteen months of contributing service credit with the school employees retirement system who has received a refund of contributions to a uniform retirement system shall, in computing years of service, be given full credit for transferred service credit if, for each year of service, the school employees retirement system receives the sum of the following: 1015  
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(1) An amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to the amount refunded by the uniform system to the member for that year for transferred service credit, with interest on that amount from the date of the refund to the date a payment is made under this section; 1022  
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(2) Interest, which shall be transferred by the uniform system, on the amount refunded to the member for the period from the last day of the year in which the transfer under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code was made to the date the refund was made; 1027  
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(3) If the uniform system retained any portion of the amount transferred under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code, an amount, which shall be transferred by the uniform system, equal to the amount retained, with interest on that amount for the period from the last day of the year in which the transfer under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code was made to the date a transfer is made under this section. 1032  
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On receipt of payment from the member, the school employees retirement system shall notify the uniform system, which, on receipt of the notice, shall make the transfer required by this division. Interest shall be determined as provided in division (E) of this section. 1040  
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(D) Service credit purchased or obtained under this section shall be considered the equivalent of Ohio service credit. A member may choose to purchase only part of the credit the member is eligible to purchase under division (C) of this section in any one payment, subject to rules adopted by the school employees retirement board. A member is ineligible to purchase or obtain service credit under this section for service to be used in the calculation of any retirement benefit currently being paid or 1045  
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payable to the member in the future under any other retirement 1053  
program or for service credit that may be purchased or obtained 1054  
under section 3309.73 of the Revised Code. 1055

(E) Interest charged under this section shall be calculated 1056  
separately for each year of service credit at the lesser of the 1057  
actuarial assumption rate for that year of the school employees 1058  
retirement system or of the uniform retirement system to which the 1059  
credit was transferred under section 742.21, 742.214, 742.375, 1060  
5505.201, 5505.40, or 5505.41 of the Revised Code. The interest 1061  
shall be compounded annually. 1062

(F) Any amounts transferred or paid under divisions (B) and 1063  
(C) of this section that are attributable to contributions made by 1064  
the member or to amounts paid to purchase service credit shall be 1065  
credited to the employees' savings fund created under section 1066  
3309.47 of the Revised Code. Any remaining amounts shall be 1067  
credited to one or more of the funds created under that section as 1068  
determined by the board. 1069

(G) At the request of the school employees retirement system, 1070  
the uniform retirement system shall certify to the school 1071  
employees retirement system a copy of the records of the service 1072  
and contributions of a school employees retirement system member 1073  
who seeks service credit under this section. The uniform 1074  
retirement system shall specify the portions of the amounts 1075  
transferred that are attributable to employee contributions, 1076  
employer contributions, and interest. 1077

(H) If a member of the school employees retirement system who 1078  
is not a current contributor elects to receive service credit 1079  
under section 742.214 or 5505.41 of the Revised Code for 1080  
transferred service credit, as defined in those sections, the 1081  
system shall transfer to the uniform retirement system, as 1082  
applicable, the amount specified in division (B) or (C) of section 1083

742.214 or division (B) or (C) of section 5505.41 of the Revised Code. 1084  
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(I) The board may adopt rules to implement this section. 1086

**Sec. 5505.201.** A Except for service credit transferred under section 5505.41 of the Revised Code, a member of the state highway patrol retirement system shall, in computing years of active service in the highway patrol under sections 5505.16, 5505.17, and 5505.18 of the Revised Code, be given full credit for time served as a police officer or firefighter covered under Chapter 742. and former Chapters 521. and 541. of the Revised Code, provided such member pays to the state highway patrol retirement system the amount received by the member under division (I) of former section 521.11, division (I) of former section 741.18, division (I) of former section 741.49, or division (G) of section 742.37 of the Revised Code, with compound interest thereon at a rate to be determined by the state highway patrol retirement board from the date of such receipt to the date of such deposit. A member may choose to purchase only part of such credit in any one payment, subject to board rules. 1087  
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Upon certification by the state highway patrol retirement board to the board of trustees of the Ohio police and fire pension fund of such payment by the member, the Ohio police and fire pension fund shall pay from the appropriate employers' contribution fund under section 742.59 of the Revised Code to the state highway patrol retirement system an amount equal to the payment of the member. 1103  
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**Sec. 5505.40.** (A) As used in this section and section 5505.41 of the Revised Code: 1110  
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(1) "Full-time service" means full-time service as defined by 1112

rule which shall be adopted by the state highway patrol retirement board. 1113  
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(2) "Military service credit" means credit for service in the armed forces of the United States purchased or obtained under this chapter or Chapter 145., 3307., or 3309. of the Revised Code. 1115  
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(3) "Non-uniform retirement system" or "non-uniform system" means the public employees retirement system, school employees retirement system, or state teachers retirement system. 1118  
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(B)(1)(a) For purposes of computing the pension payable under section 5505.17 or 5505.18 of the Revised Code, a member of the state highway patrol retirement system who is a former member of the ~~public employees retirement system, school employees retirement system, or state teachers~~ a non-uniform retirement system and has received a return of contributions from the ~~former retirement non-uniform~~ system shall be given full credit for service credit earned for full-time service as a member of the ~~former retirement non-uniform~~ system or purchased or obtained as military service credit if, for each year of service credit, the state highway patrol retirement system receives the sum of the following: 1121  
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(i) An amount, which shall be paid by the member to the member's credit in the employees' savings fund, equal to the amount received by the member from the ~~former retirement non-uniform~~ system for that year that is attributable to contributions made for full-time service and payments for military service credit, plus interest at a rate established by the board on that amount from the date payment was made to the member by the ~~former retirement non-uniform~~ system to the date the member makes the payment to the state highway patrol retirement system; 1133  
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(ii) If a member is seeking credit for service under the public employees retirement system or state teachers retirement 1142  
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system, an amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to the 1144  
amount of any employer contributions and interest on employee 1145  
contributions the member received under section 145.40 or 3307.563 1146  
of the Revised Code; 1147

(iii) Interest, which shall be transferred by the ~~former~~ 1148  
~~retirement~~ non-uniform system, on the amount received by the 1149  
member that is attributable to the year of service from the last 1150  
day of the year for which the service credit was earned or in 1151  
which payment was made for military service credit to the date the 1152  
amount was paid to the member; 1153

(iv) An amount, which shall be transferred by the ~~former~~ 1154  
~~retirement~~ non-uniform system, equal to the lesser of the 1155  
employer's contributions to the ~~former retirement~~ non-uniform 1156  
system for the year of service or the amount that would have been 1157  
contributed by the employer for the full-time service had the 1158  
member been a member of the state highway patrol retirement system 1159  
at the time the credit was earned, with interest on that amount 1160  
from the last day of the year for which the service credit was 1161  
earned or in which payment was made for military service credit to 1162  
the date the transfer is made. 1163

(b) On receipt of payment from the member, the state highway 1164  
patrol retirement system shall notify the ~~former retirement~~ 1165  
non-uniform system, which, on receipt of the notice, shall make 1166  
the transfer required by this division. Interest shall be 1167  
determined in accordance with division (F) of this section. 1168

(c) The amount transferred under division (B)(1)(a) of this 1169  
section by the public employees retirement system or state 1170  
teachers retirement system shall not include any amount of 1171  
employer contributions and interest on employee contributions the 1172  
member received under section 145.40 or 3307.563 of the Revised 1173  
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(2) For purposes of computing the pension payable under 1175

section 5505.17 or 5505.18 of the Revised Code, a member of the  
state highway patrol retirement system who has contributions on  
deposit with ~~the public employees retirement system, school  
employees retirement system, or state teachers~~ a non-uniform  
retirement system shall be given full credit for service credit  
earned for full-time service as a member of that ~~retirement~~  
non-uniform system, ~~or~~ any service credit purchased or obtained as  
military service credit, ~~and any service credit obtained under~~  
~~section 145.295, 3307.761, or 3309.381 of the Revised Code for~~  
~~service for which contributions were made to the Ohio police and~~  
~~fire pension fund. The credit shall be given if, for each year of~~  
service, the ~~public employees retirement system, school employees~~  
~~retirement system, or state teachers retirement~~ non-uniform system  
transfers to the state highway patrol retirement system the sum of  
the following:

(a) The amount, contributed by the member or, in the case of  
military service, paid by the member, that is attributable to that  
service;

(b) An amount equal to the lesser of the employer's  
contributions to the ~~public employees retirement system, school~~  
~~employees retirement system, or state teachers retirement~~  
non-uniform system for the year of service or the amount that  
would have been contributed by the employer for the full-time  
service had the member been a member of the state highway patrol  
retirement system at the time the credit was earned;

~~(c) An amount equal to any amount received by the retirement  
system under section 145.295, 3307.761, or 3309.351 of the Revised  
Code;~~

~~(d)~~ Interest, determined in accordance with division (F) of  
this section, on the amounts specified in divisions (B)(2)(a), and  
(b), ~~and (c)~~ of this section from the last day of the year for  
which the service credit in the ~~transferring retirement~~

~~non-uniform~~ system was earned or in which ~~payment was made for~~ 1208  
~~military service credit or service credit under section 145.295,~~ 1209  
~~3307.761, or 3309.351 of the Revised Code~~ was purchased or 1210  
obtained to the date the transfer is made. 1211

On receipt of a request from the member, the appropriate 1212  
~~retirement~~ non-uniform system shall make the transfer. 1213

(3) Unless section 5505.402 of the Revised Code applies, for 1214  
purposes of computing the pension payable under section 5505.17 or 1215  
5505.18 of the Revised Code, a member of the state highway patrol 1216  
retirement system who has contributions on deposit with the 1217  
Cincinnati retirement system shall be given full credit for 1218  
service credit earned for full-time service as a member of that 1219  
retirement system or purchased or obtained as military service 1220  
credit if, for each year of service credit, the state highway 1221  
patrol retirement system receives the sum of the following: 1222

(a) An amount, which shall be paid by the member to the 1224  
member's credit in the employees' savings fund, equal to the 1225  
amount withdrawn from the Cincinnati retirement system that is 1226  
attributable to that year of service, with interest on that amount 1227  
determined in accordance with division (F) of this section from 1228  
the date of withdrawal to the date of payment; 1229

(b) Interest, which shall be paid either by the member or the 1230  
Cincinnati retirement system, on the amount withdrawn from the 1231  
Cincinnati retirement system that is attributable to the year of 1232  
service from the last day of the year for which the service credit 1233  
was earned or in which payment was made for military service 1234  
credit to the date the amount was withdrawn; 1235

(c) An amount, which shall be paid either by the member or 1236  
the Cincinnati retirement system, equal to the lesser of the 1237  
employer's contributions to the Cincinnati retirement system for 1238  
the year of service or the amount that would have been contributed 1239



by the employer for the full-time service had the member been a 1240  
member of the state highway patrol retirement system at the time 1241  
the credit was earned, with interest on that amount from the last 1242  
day of the year for which the service credit was earned or in 1243  
which payment was made for military service to the date the 1244  
payment is made. 1245

(C) If a member who is not a current contributor and has not 1246  
received a refund of accumulated contributions elects to receive 1247  
credit under section 145.295, 3307.761, or ~~3309.351~~ 3309.73 of the 1248  
Revised Code for service for which the member contributed to the 1249  
state highway patrol retirement system and credit purchased as 1250  
military service credit, the state highway patrol retirement 1251  
system shall transfer to the appropriate retirement system the 1252  
amount specified in division ~~(B)~~(C) of section 145.295, division 1253  
(B) of section 3307.761, or division (B) of section 3309.73 of the 1254  
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(D)(1) A member is ineligible to purchase or otherwise 1256  
receive credit under this section for service that is used in the 1257  
calculation of any retirement benefit currently being paid or that 1258  
is payable in the future to the member under any other retirement 1259  
program, ~~or~~ service rendered concurrently with any other period 1260  
for which service credit has already been granted, or for service 1261  
credit that may be transferred under section 5505.41 of the 1262  
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(2) Except as provided under division (D)(3) of this section, 1264  
no service credit purchased under this section or received as a 1265  
result of a transfer requested under this section shall be used to 1266  
determine any member's eligibility for retirement under sections 1267  
5505.16 and 5505.17 of the Revised Code. 1268

(3) Service credit obtained under this section by a member 1269  
for military service credit or for service as a state highway 1270  
patrol cadet attending training school pursuant to section 5503.05 1271

of the Revised Code shall be used to determine the member's 1272  
eligibility for retirement under sections 5505.16 and 5505.17 of 1273  
the Revised Code. 1274

(4) Subject to rules of the state highway patrol retirement 1275  
system, a member may choose to purchase only part of the credit 1276  
the member is eligible to purchase under division (B)(1) or (3) of 1277  
this section. 1278

(E) At the request of the state highway patrol retirement 1279  
system, the ~~public employees retirement system, school employees~~ 1280  
~~retirement system, state teachers~~ non-uniform retirement system, 1281  
or Cincinnati retirement system shall certify to the state highway 1282  
patrol retirement system a copy of the records of service, salary, 1283  
and contributions of a member who seeks service credit under this 1284  
section. 1285

(F) Interest charged under this section shall be calculated 1286  
separately for each year of service credit. Unless otherwise 1287  
specified in this section, it shall be calculated at the lesser of 1288  
the actuarial assumption rate for that year of the state highway 1289  
patrol retirement system or of the ~~retirement~~ system in which the 1290  
credit was earned. The interest shall be compounded annually. 1291

(G) The state highway patrol retirement system board may 1292  
adopt rules establishing procedures for the purchase of service 1293  
credit or the transfer of contributions under this section. 1294

**Sec. 5505.41.** (A) As used in this section, "transferred 1295  
service credit" means service credit purchased or obtained under 1296  
section 145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761, 3307.765, 3309.73, or 1297  
3309.731 of the Revised Code prior to the date a member commenced 1298  
the employment covered by the state highway patrol retirement 1299  
system for which the member is currently contributing to the 1300  
system. 1301

(B) A member of the state highway patrol retirement system who has contributions on deposit with, but is no longer contributing to, a non-uniform retirement system shall, in computing years of service, be given full credit for transferred service credit if a transfer to the state highway patrol retirement system is made under this section. At the request of a member, the non-uniform system shall transfer to the state highway patrol retirement system the sum of the following:

(1) An amount equal to the amounts transferred to the non-uniform system under section 145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761, 3307.765, 3309.73, or 3309.731 of the Revised Code;

(2) Interest, determined as provided in division (E) of this section, on the amount specified in division (B)(1) of this section for the period from the last day of the year in which the transfer under section 145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761, 3307.765, 3309.73, or 3309.731 of the Revised Code was made to the date a transfer is made under this section.

(C) A member with at least eighteen months of contributing service credit with the state highway patrol retirement system who has received a refund of contributions to a non-uniform retirement system shall, in computing years of service, be given full credit for transferred service credit if, for each year of service, the state highway patrol retirement system receives the sum of the following:

(1) An amount, which shall be paid by the member, equal to the amount refunded by the non-uniform system to the member for that year for transferred service credit, with interest on that amount from the date of the refund to the date a payment is made under this section;

(2) Interest, which shall be transferred by the non-uniform system, on the amount refunded to the member for the period from

the last day of the year in which the transfer under section  
145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761, 3307.765, 3309.73, or 3309.731 of the  
Revised Code was made to the date the refund was made;

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(3) If the non-uniform system retained any portion of the  
amount transferred under section 145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761,  
3307.765, 3309.73, or 3309.731 of the Revised Code, an amount,  
which shall be transferred by the non-uniform system, equal to the  
amount retained, with interest on that amount for the period from  
the last day of the year in which the transfer under section  
145.295, 145.2913, 3307.761, 3307.765, 3309.73, or 3309.731 of the  
Revised Code was made to the date a transfer is made under this  
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On receipt of payment from the member, the state highway  
patrol retirement system shall notify the non-uniform system,  
which, on receipt of the notice, shall make the transfer required  
by this division. Interest shall be determined as provided in  
division (E) of this section.

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(D) Service credit purchased or obtained under this section  
shall be used in computing the pensions payable under section  
5505.17 or 5505.18 of the Revised Code. A member may choose to  
purchase only part of the credit the member is eligible to  
purchase under division (C) of this section in any one payment,  
subject to rules adopted by the state highway patrol retirement  
board. A member is ineligible to purchase or obtain service credit  
under this section for service to be used in the calculation of  
any retirement benefit currently being paid or payable to the  
member in the future under any other retirement program or for  
service credit that may be purchased or obtained under section  
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(E) Interest charged under this section shall be calculated  
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actuarial assumption rate for that year of the state highway 1364  
patrol retirement system or of the non-uniform retirement system 1365  
to which the credit was transferred under section 145.295, 1366  
145.2913, 3307.761, 3307.765, 3309.73, or 3309.731 of the Revised 1367  
Code. The interest shall be compounded annually. 1368

(F) Any amounts transferred or paid under divisions (B) and 1369  
(C) of this section that are attributable to contributions made by 1370  
the member or to amounts paid to purchase service credit shall be 1371  
credited to the employees' savings fund created under section 1372  
5505.03 of the Revised Code. Any remaining amounts shall be 1373  
credited to one or more of the funds created under that section as 1374  
determined by the board. 1375

(G) At the request of the state highway patrol retirement 1376  
system, the non-uniform retirement system shall certify to the 1377  
state highway patrol retirement system a copy of the records of 1378  
the service and contributions of a member who seeks service credit 1379  
under this section. The non-uniform retirement system shall 1380  
specify the portions of the amounts transferred that are 1381  
attributable to employee contributions, employer contributions, 1382  
and interest. 1383

(H) If a member who is not a current contributor elects to 1384  
receive service credit under section 145.2913, 3307.765, or 1385  
3309.731 of the Revised Code for transferred service credit, as 1386  
defined in those sections, the system shall transfer to the 1387  
non-uniform retirement system, as applicable, the amount specified 1388  
in division (B) or (C) of section 145.2913, division (B) or (C) of 1389  
section 3307.765, or division (B) or (C) of section 3309.731 of 1390  
the Revised Code. 1391

(I) The board may adopt rules to implement this section. 1392

**Section 2.** That existing sections 145.295, 742.21, 742.371, 1393

742.375, 3307.761, 3309.73, 5505.201, and 5505.40 of the Revised	1394
Code are hereby repealed.	1395