

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 1506

An act relating to the Florida Retirement System; amending s. 409.9205, F.S.; transferring positions in the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Department of Legal Affairs to Career Service System; eliminating a provision that makes investigators of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit ineligible for membership in the Special Risk Class of the system; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 409.9205, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

409.9205 Medicaid Fraud Control Unit; law enforcement officers.—

(1) Except as provided in s. 110.205, all positions in the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit of the Department of Legal Affairs are transferred to the Career Service System.

(2) All investigators employed by the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit who have been certified under s. 943.1395 are law enforcement officers of the state. Such investigators have the authority to conduct criminal investigations, bear arms, make arrests, and apply for, serve, and execute search warrants, arrest warrants, capias, and other process throughout the state pertaining to Medicaid fraud as described in this chapter. The Attorney General shall provide reasonable notice of criminal investigations conducted by the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to, and coordinate those investigations with, the sheriffs of the respective counties. ~~Investigators employed by the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit are not eligible for membership in the Special Risk Class of the Florida Retirement System under s. 121.0515.~~

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

Approved by the Governor June 19, 2001.

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