

CHAPTER 2011-242

House Bill No. 529

An act relating to the Lee County Sheriff's Office; amending chapter 74-522, Laws of Florida, as amended; providing that certain retirement health insurance benefits shall not be available to specified employees; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (6) of section 15 of chapter 74-522, Laws of Florida, as amended by chapter 2010-260, Laws of Florida, is amended to read:

Section 15. Funding of civil service board and retirement health insurance benefits.—

(6) Benefits payable under subsection (5).—Benefits payable under subsection (5) are only available to employees commencing employment ~~on or after October 1, 1986, and~~ prior to October 1, 2010, who retire from the Florida Retirement System and terminate employment after 15 or more years of service with the Lee County Sheriff's Office. A member of the Florida Retirement System employed prior to October 1, 2009, who has been a full-time member of the Lee County Sheriff's Office for the 10 years immediately preceding his or her retirement may claim up to 5 years of previous service with another Florida Retirement System employer subject to verification by the Division of Retirement of the Department of Management Services to meet the 15-year requirement as provided for in subsection (5). Persons hired by the Lee County Sheriff's Office on or after October 1, 2009, are not eligible to claim additional years of service from previous Florida Retirement System employers to qualify for employer-paid health and hospitalization insurance benefits as provided for in subsection (5).

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Approved by the Governor June 17, 2011.

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