CHAPTER 352D

STATE UNCLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT PROGRAM

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352D.02 COVERAGE.

Subdivision 1. Coverage. The following employees, if they are in the unclassified service of the state and are eligible for coverage under the Minnesota state retirement system, shall participate in the unclassified program unless an employee gives notice to the executive director of the state retirement system within one year following the commencement of employment in the unclassified service that the employee desires coverage under the regular employee plan. For the purposes of this chapter, an employee who does not file notice with the executive director shall be deemed to have exercised the option to participate in the unclassified plan.

- (1) any employee in the office of the governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer, attorney general or the state board of investment,
- (2) the head of any department, division, or agency created by statute in the unclassified service, an acting department head subsequently appointed to the position, or any employee enumerated in section 15A.081, subdivision 1 or 15A.083, subdivision 4,
- (3) any permanent, full-time unclassified employee of the legislature or any commission or agency of the legislature or a temporary legislative employee having shares in the supplemental retirement fund as a result of former employment covered by this chapter, whether or not eligible for coverage under the Minnesota state retirement system,
- (4) any person employed in a position established pursuant to section 43A.08, subdivision 1, clause (c), or subdivision 1a or in a position authorized under a statute creating or establishing a department or agency of the state, which is at the deputy or assistant head of department or agency or director level,
- (5) the chair, chief administrator, and not to exceed nine positions at the division director or administrative deputy level of the metropolitan waste control commission as designated by the commission; the chair, executive director, and not to exceed three positions at the division director or assistant to the chair level of the regional transit board; a chief administrator who is an employee of the metropolitan transit commission; and the chair, executive director, and not to exceed nine positions at the division director or administrative deputy level of the metropolitan council as designated by the council; provided that upon initial designation of all positions provided for in this clause, no further designations or redesignations shall be made without approval of the board of directors of the Minnesota state retirement system,
- (6) the executive director, associate executive director, and not to exceed nine positions of the higher education coordinating board in the unclassified service, as designated by the higher education coordinating board; provided that upon initial designation of all positions provided for in this clause, no further designations or redesignations shall be made without approval of the board of directors of the Minnesota state retirement system,

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- (7) the clerk of the appellate courts appointed pursuant to Article VI, Section 2, of the Constitution of the state of Minnesota,
- (8) the chief executive officers of correctional facilities operated by the department of corrections and of hospitals and nursing homes operated by the department of human services,
 - (9) any employee whose principal employment is at the state ceremonial house,
 - (10) employees of the Minnesota educational computing corporation, and
 - (11) any employee of the world trade center board.

[For text of subds 1a to 4, see M.S.1984]

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352D.12 TRANSFER OF PRIOR SERVICE CONTRIBUTIONS.

An employee who is a participant in the unclassified program and who has prior service credit in a covered plan under chapters 352, 353, 354, 354A, and 422A may, within the time limits in this section, elect to transfer to the unclassified program accumulated employee and equal employer contributions with interest at six percent a year compounded annually, based on fiscal year balances.

If a participant has taken a refund from a fund listed in this section, the participant may repay the refund to that fund, notwithstanding any restrictions on repayment to that fund, plus six percent interest a year compounded annually and have the accumulated employee and equal employer contributions transferred to the unclassified program with interest at six percent a year compounded annually based on fiscal year balances.

A participant electing to transfer prior service contributions under this section must complete the application for the transfer and repay any refund within one year of July 1, 1985 or the commencement of the employee's participation in the unclassified program, whichever is later.

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