353.37 REEMPLOYMENT OF ANNUITANT.

Subdivision 1. **Salary maximums.** The annuity of a person otherwise eligible for an annuity under this chapter must be suspended under subdivision 2 or reduced under subdivision 3, whichever results in the higher annual annuity amount, if the person reenters public service as a nonelective employee of a governmental subdivision in a position covered by this chapter or returns to work as an employee of a labor organization that represents public employees who are association members under this chapter and salary for the reemployment service exceeds the annual maximum earnings allowable for that age for the continued receipt of full benefit amounts monthly under the federal Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance Program as set by the secretary of health and human services under United States Code, title 42, section 403, in any calendar year. If the person has not yet reached the minimum age for the receipt of Social Security benefits, the maximum salary for the person is equal to the annual maximum earnings allowable for the receipt of Social Security benefits.

Subd. 1a. [Repealed, 1981 c 180 s 18]

Subd. 1b. **Retirement age.** For purposes of this section, "retirement age" means retirement age as defined in United States Code, title 42, section 416(1).

Subd. 2. MS 1971 [Repealed, 1973 c 753 s 85]

Subd. 2. **Suspension of annuity.** The association shall suspend the annuity on the first of the month after the month in which the salary of the reemployed annuitant exceeds the maximums set in subdivision 1, based only on those months in which the annuitant is actually employed in nonelective public service in a position covered under this chapter or employment with a labor organization that represents public employees who are association members under this chapter. An annuitant who is elected to public office after retirement may hold office and receive an annuity otherwise payable from the association.

Subd. 3. MS 1971 [Repealed, 1973 c 753 s 85]

Subd. 3. **Reduction of annuity.** The association shall reduce the amount of the annuity of a person who has not reached the retirement age by one-half of the amount in excess of the applicable reemployment income maximum under subdivision 1.

There is no reduction upon reemployment, regardless of income, for a person who has reached the retirement age.

Subd. 3a. **Disposition of suspension or reduction amount.** The balance of the annual retirement annuity after suspension or the amount of the retirement annuity reduction must be handled or disposed of as provided in section 356.47.

Subd. 4. **Resumption of annuity.** The association shall resume paying a full annuity to the reemployed annuitant at the start of each calendar year until the salary exceeds the maximums under subdivision 1, or on the first of the month following termination of employment which resulted in the suspension of the annuity. The executive director may adopt policies regarding the suspension and reduction of annuities under this section.

Subd. 5. Effect on annuity. Except as provided under this section, public service performed by an annuitant subsequent to retirement under this chapter does not increase or decrease the amount of an annuity. The annuitant shall not make any further contributions to the association's defined benefit plan by reason of this subsequent public service.

History: 1957 c 935 s 17; 1959 c 650 s 26,58; Ex1961 c 87 s 1; 1963 c 641 s 31; 1963 c 853 s 1,2; 1967 c 711 s 2; 1971 c 412 s 2; 1973 c 753 s 63; 1975 c 102 s 18; 1977 c 429 s 32; 1980 c 342 s 7; 1981 c 224 s 91; 1988 c 709 art 5 s 21; 1992 c 440 s 1; 1993 c 307 art 4 s 30; 1994 c 528 art 2 s 9-11; 2000 c 461 art 2 s 5; 2002 c 392 art 11 s 52; 2004 c 267 art 7 s 2,3