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ENROLLED ACT NO. 71, SENATE

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AN ACT relating to the Wyoming retirement system; authorizing investigators employed by the board of outfitters to participate in the law enforcement retirement system; amending a definition; conditioning implementation upon receipt of required payments and transfer of covered employees as specified; providing for funding; and providing for an effective date.

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

**Section 1.** W.S. 9-3-402(a)(xviii) and 9-3-432(j) are amended to read:

## 9-3-402. Definitions.

(a) As used in this article:

(xviii) "Law enforcement officer" or "officer" means any member who is a county sheriff, deputy county sheriff, municipal police officer, duly authorized investigator of the Wyoming livestock board meeting the specifications of W.S. 7-2-101(a)(iv)(E), investigator employed by the Wyoming state board of outfitters and professional guides meeting the specifications of W.S. 7-2-101(a)(iv)(J), Wyoming correctional officer, Wyoming law enforcement academy instructor, University of Wyoming campus police officer, detention officer or dispatcher for law enforcement agencies;

- 9-3-432. Law enforcement officers; contributions; benefit eligibility; service and disability benefits; death benefits; benefit options.
- (j) Notwithstanding W.S. 9-3-421, any surviving spouse of an officer who dies in the scope of employment

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shall receive a monthly payment equal to sixty-two and onehalf percent (62.5%) of the officer's salary at the time of death, plus six percent (6%) of that salary for each child under age eighteen (18), not to exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the officer's salary. Any surviving spouse of an officer who dies outside of the scope of employment shall receive a monthly payment equal to fifty percent (50%) of the officer's salary at the time of death, plus six percent (6%) of that salary for each child under age eighteen (18), not to exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the officer's Notwithstanding any other provision salary. in subsection, any surviving spouse of any officer who retired under W.S. 15-5-301 through 15-5-314 shall receive a monthly pension equal to two-thirds (2/3) of the pension the retired police law enforcement officer was receiving at the time of his death, plus sixty dollars (\$60.00) for each child under age eighteen (18), not to exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the officer's salary.

## Section 2.

- (a) Coverage of investigators employed by the Wyoming state board of outfitters and professional guides under W.S. 9-3-432 as provided by section 1 of this act shall not be implemented by the Wyoming retirement board until funds payable to the Wyoming retirement system are received for deposit into the retirement account, as necessary for maintaining the actuarial integrity of the account and funding all liability arising under this act, for years of service prior to the date of entry or expansion of coverage.
- (b) In addition to subsection (a) of this section,  $W.S.\ 9-3-432$ , with respect to investigators employed by the Wyoming state board of outfitters and professional guides, shall not be implemented by the Wyoming retirement board

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until funds necessary for maintaining the actuarial integrity of the account and funding any liability arising under this act, are deposited into the Wyoming retirement account by the Wyoming state board of outfitters and professional guides, and contributions required under W.S. 9-3-432(a) and (b) are paid to the Wyoming retirement system for deposit into the retirement account for at least two (2) months of covered service following the date of entry of coverage, as applicable.

Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2003.

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