

SENATE FILE NO. SF0111

First responder retirement contributions.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Schiffer and Larson and
Representative(s) Lubnau

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to employee retirement; authorizing payment
2 of employer and employee retirement contributions for
3 employees serving in the United States military as
4 specified; providing a definition; providing an
5 appropriation; authorizing positions; and providing for an
6 effective date.

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

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10 **Section 1.** W.S. 19-11-115 by creating a new
11 subsection (e) is amended to read:

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13 **19-11-115. State retirement systems; payment of**
14 **contributions; interest.**

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1 (e) Notwithstanding any other requirements in W.S.
2 19-11-113 or 19-11-114 or this section relating to payment
3 of retirement contributions to a public or private
4 retirement system, employer and employee contributions for
5 public or private retirement or pension system plans may be
6 paid by the Wyoming adjutant general, if the payment is
7 permitted by the Internal Revenue Code, for any first
8 responders who are called or ordered into the federal
9 service of the United States under title 10 of the United
10 States Code. For purposes of this subsection, "first
11 responders" means those individuals who in an early stage
12 of an incident are responsible for the protection and
13 preservation of life, property, evidence and the
14 environment, including emergency response providers as
15 defined in section 2 of the Homeland Security Act, 6 U.S.C.
16 101, as well as emergency management, public health,
17 clinical care, public works and other skilled support staff
18 that provide immediate support services during prevention,
19 response and recovery operations.

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21 **Section 2.**

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23 (a) There is appropriated nine hundred ninety-six
24 thousand seventy-eight dollars (\$996,078.00) from the

1 general fund to the Wyoming adjutant general. This
2 appropriation shall be for the period beginning with the
3 effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2010.
4 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, this
5 appropriation shall not be transferred or expended for any
6 other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds
7 remaining from this appropriation shall revert on June 30,
8 2010. The program created by this act shall be included in
9 the adjutant general's standard budget request. Of this
10 appropriation:

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12 (i) Seven hundred eighty-nine thousand seven
13 hundred fifty dollars (\$789,750.00) shall only be expended
14 for the purpose of funding employer and employee retirement
15 contributions for persons who are called or ordered into
16 federal service of the United States under title 10 of the
17 United States Code;

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19 (ii) Two hundred six thousand three hundred
20 twenty-eight dollars (\$206,328.00) shall only be expended
21 to fund the employees authorized under subsection (b) of
22 this section and other administrative and start-up costs to
23 implement the purposes of this act.

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(b) The adjutant general is authorized two (2) full-time equivalent positions to implement the purposes of this act, including validating the qualifications of the retirement plans of eligible persons and establishing payment amounts under W.S. 19-11-115(e), as created by section 1 of this act.

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8 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon
9 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
10 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
11 Constitution.

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13 (END)