

public employees retirement system, Ohio police and fire pension fund, state teachers retirement system, or state highway patrol retirement system, the retirant's prior contributions as an other system retirant under this section shall be included in the retirant's total service credit as a school employees retirement system member, and the retirant shall forfeit all rights and benefits of this section. Not more than one year of credit may be given for any period of twelve months.

(G) This section does not affect the receipt of benefits by or eligibility for benefits of any person who on August 29, 1976, was receiving a disability benefit or service retirement pension or allowance from a state or municipal retirement system in Ohio and was a member of any other state or municipal retirement system of this state.

(H) The school employees retirement board may adopt rules to carry out this section.

Sec. 3309.343. (A) As used in this section:

(1) In addition to the meaning in section 3309.01 of the Revised Code, when appropriate "compensation" has the same meaning as in section 3307.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Earnable salary" has the same meaning as in section 145.01 of the Revised Code.

(3) "SERS position" means a position for which a member of the school employees retirement system is making contributions to the system.

(4) "Other state retirement system" means the public employees retirement system or the state teachers retirement system.

(5) "State retirement system" means the public employees retirement system, state teachers retirement system, or the school employees retirement system.

(B)(1) A member of the school employees retirement system who holds two or more SERS positions may retire under section 3309.35, 3309.36, ~~3309.38~~, or 3309.46 of the Revised Code from the position for which the annual compensation at the time of retirement is highest and continue to contribute to the retirement system for the other SERS position or positions.

(2) A member of the school employees retirement system who also holds one or more other positions covered by the other state retirement systems may retire under section 3309.35, 3309.36, ~~3309.38~~, or 3309.46 of the Revised Code from the SERS position and continue contributing to the other state retirement systems if the annual compensation for the SERS position at the time of retirement is greater than annual compensation or earnable salary for the position, or any of the positions, covered by the other state retirement systems.

(3) A member of the school employees retirement system who holds two or more SERS positions and at least one other position covered by one of the other state retirement systems may retire under section 3309.35, 3309.36, ~~3309.38~~, or 3309.46 of the Revised Code from one of the SERS positions and continue contributing to the school employees retirement system and the other state retirement system if the annual compensation for the SERS position from which the member is retiring is, at the time of retirement, greater than the annual compensation or earnable salary for any of the positions for which the member is continuing to make contributions.

(4) A member of the school employees retirement system who has retired as provided in division (B)(2) or (3) of section 145.383 or division (B)(2) or (3) of section 3307.351 of the Revised Code may continue to contribute to the school employees retirement system for an SERS position if the member held the position at the time of retirement from the other state retirement system.

(5) A member who contributes to the school employees retirement system in accordance with division (B)(1), (3), or (4) of this section shall contribute in accordance with section 3309.47 of the Revised Code. The member's employer shall contribute as provided in section 3309.49 of the Revised Code. Neither the member nor the member's survivors are eligible for any benefits based on those contributions other than those provided under section 145.384, 3307.352, or 3309.344 of the Revised Code.

(C)(1) In determining retirement eligibility and the annual retirement allowance of a member who retires as provided in division (B)(1), (2), or (3) of this section, the following shall be used to the date of retirement:

(a) The member's earnable salary and compensation for all positions covered by a state retirement system;

(b) Total service credit in any state retirement system, except that the credit shall not exceed one year of credit for any period of twelve months;

(c) The member's accumulated contributions.

(2) A member who retires as provided in division (B)(1), (2), or (3) of this section is a retirant for all purposes of this chapter, except that the member is not subject to section 3309.341 of the Revised Code for a position or positions for which contributions continue under those divisions or division (B)(4) of this section.

(D) A retired member receiving a benefit under section 3309.344 of the Revised Code based on employment subject to this section is not a member of the school employees retirement system and does not have any rights, privileges, or obligations of membership. The retired member is an SERS retirant for purposes of section 3309.341 of the Revised Code.

(E) The school employees retirement board may adopt rules to carry out this section.

Sec. 3309.35. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "State retirement system" means the public employees retirement system, state teachers retirement system, or school employees retirement system.

(2) "Total service credit" means all service credit earned in all state retirement systems, except credit for service subject to section 3309.341 of the Revised Code. Total service credit shall not exceed one year of credit for any twelve-month period.

(3) In addition to the meaning given in division (O) of section 3309.01 of the Revised Code, "disability benefit" means "disability benefit" as defined in sections 145.01 and 3307.01 of the Revised Code.

(B) To coordinate and integrate membership in the state retirement systems, at the option of a member, total contributions and service credit in all state retirement systems, including amounts paid to restore service credit under sections 145.311, 3307.711, and 3309.261 of the Revised Code, shall be used in determining the eligibility and total retirement or disability benefit payable. When total contributions and service credit are so combined, the following provisions apply:

(1) Service and commuted service retirement or a disability benefit is effective no sooner than the first day of the month next following the last day of employment for which compensation was paid. If the application is filed after that date, the board may retire the member on the first day of the month next following the last day of employment for which compensation was paid.

(2) ~~In determining eligibility~~ Eligibility for a disability benefit, ~~the medical examiner's report to~~ shall be determined by the retirement board of any the state retirement system, showing that will calculate and pay the member's disability incapitates the member for the performance of duty, may benefit, as provided in division (B)(3) of this section. The state retirement system calculating and paying the disability benefit shall certify the determination to the board of each other state retirement system in which the member has service credit and shall be accepted by the state retirement boards that board as sufficient for granting a disability benefit.

(3) The board of the state retirement system in which the member had the greatest service credit, without adjustment, shall ~~determine~~ calculate and pay the total retirement or disability benefit. Where the member's credit is equal in two or more state retirement systems, the system having the largest total contributions of the member shall ~~determine~~ calculate and pay the total