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Sec. 5505.19. Subject to section 5505.26 of the Revised Code, a member of the state highway patrol retirement system who ceases to be an employee of the state highway patrol for any cause except his death. disability, or retirement, upon application filed in writing with the state highway patrol retirement board, shall be paid the accumulated contributions, less interest, standing to the credit of his THE MEMBER'S individual account in the employees' savings fund. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, five years after a member ceases to be an employee of the patrol any balance of accumulated contributions standing to his THE MEMBER'S credit in the employees' savings fund shall be transferred to the income fund and after that shall be paid from that fund to the member, OR IN THE CASE OF A DECEASED MEMBER OR RETIRANT WHO DIES LEAVING NO SURVIVING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILDREN OR PARENTS, SHALL BE PAID FROM THAT FUND TO THE ESTATE OF THE DECEASED MEMBER OR RETIRANT, upon application to the board.

SECTION 3. Notwithstanding sections 145.27, 742.41, 3307.21, 3309.22, and 5505.04 of the Revised Code and any other section of the Revised Code, the Public Employees Retirement System, Police and Firemen's Disability and Pension Fund, State Teachers Retirement System. School Employees Retirement System, and State Highway Patrol Retirement System shall furnish to William M. Mercer, Inc., the authorized agent of the Joint Legislative Committee to Study Ohio's Public Retirement Plans established by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the 121st General Assembly, any records, including but not limited to any medical reports or information or statements of earnings obtained by the Board of Trustees of the Police and Firemen's Disability and Pension Fund pursuant to section 742.3720 of the Revised Code or any similar reports, information, or statements obtained by the board of any other system or fund, that are identified in a subpoena issued in accordance with section 101.41 of the Revised Code by the Joint Legislative Committee. If any members of the Joint Legislative Committee themselves intend actually to review any records or copies of records furnished by any retirement system or fund, the Joint Legislative Committee shall have its authorized agent delete from these records or copies of records any personally identifiable information prior to review by the Committee members. If the Joint Legislative Committee believes on the basis of information provided by its authorized agent that there is cause, the Committee may also instruct its authorized agent to provide to any governmental entity that has subpoen power any records furnished by a system or fund to the Committee and nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the Committee from instructing its authorized agent to provide these records. The Joint Legislative Committee and its authorized agent shall preserve the confidentiality of any information in a record that is considered to be confidential or privileged as provided in section 145.27, 742.41, 3307.21, 3309.22, and 5505.04 of the Revised Code, and the records shall not be open to public inspection.

Records and copies of records furnished under this section to the Joint Legislative Committee shall be returned by the Joint Legislative Committee to the retirement system from which the records or copies were obtained immediately on completion of their use by the Joint Legislative Committee or its authorized agent.

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