Public employees retirement system.

Sec. 145.03 (486-33). A public employees retirement system is hereby created for the employees of the state and of the several local authorities mentioned in section 145.01 of the Revised Code. Membership in the system shall be compulsory and shall consist of all public employees upon being appointed. *** Any person, sixty-five or more years of age, who is not a member, may be exempted from compulsory membership by filing written application for such exemption with the public employees retirement board within one month after being appointed or employee. In addition, the public employees retirement board may exempt from compulsory membership in the system, classes or groups of employees engaged in work of a *** casual, or exceptional nature, providing, such employment does not exceed three months ***. In case such employment is on a part-time basis which does not exceed twenty hours per week, the public employees retirement board may, upon receipt of an application by the employee, grant exemption from compulsory membership during the period of such

employment; but individuals in any such class or group so exempted may become members by making application therefor, subject to the approval of the board. Any employee who is, or who becomes a member must continue such membership as long as he is a public employee, even though he may be in or transferred to an exempted class or group.

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