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145.29 of the Revised Code.

- (C) A member is ineligible to purchase under this section <u>credit for</u> service for which the member has obtained <u>credit</u> under <u>former</u> section 145.44 of the Revised Code or service that is used in the calculation of any retirement benefit currently being paid or payable in the future to the member under any other retirement program except social security. At the time the credit is purchased the member shall certify on a form furnished by the retirement board that the member does and will conform to this requirement.
- (D) Credit purchased under this section may be combined pursuant to section 145.37 with credit purchased under sections 3307.74 and 3309.31 of the Revised Code, except that not more than an aggregate total of five years' service credit purchased under this section and sections 3307.74 and 3309.31 of the Revised Code shall be used in determining retirement eligibility or calculating benefits under section 145.37 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 145.294. (A)(1) The public employees retirement board may establish by rule a payroll deduction plan for payment of the cost of restoring service credit under section 145.31 or 145.311 of the Revised Code or purchasing any service credit members of the public employees retirement system are eligible to purchase under this chapter, or for making additional deposits under section 145.583 or 145.62 of the Revised Code. In addition to any other matter considered relevant by the board, the rules shall specify all of the following:

- (1)(a) The types of service credit that may be paid for through payroll deduction, including the section of the Revised Code that authorizes the purchase of each type of service credit for which payment may be made by payroll deduction;
- (2)(b) The procedure for informing the member's employer and the system that the member wishes to purchase service credit under this chapter or make additional deposits under section 145.583 or 145.62 of the Revised Code through payroll deduction;
- (3)(c) The procedure to be followed by the system and employers to determine for each request the amount to be deducted, the number of deductions to be made, and the interval at which deductions will be made. The rules may provide for a minimum amount for each deduction or a maximum number of deductions for the purchase of any type of credit.
- (4)(d) The procedure to be followed by employers in transmitting amounts deducted from the salaries of their employees to the system;
- (5)(e) The procedure to be followed by the system in crediting service credit to members who choose to purchase it through payroll deduction.

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(B)(2) If the board establishes a payroll deduction plan under this section division, it shall certify to the member's employer for each member for whom deductions are to be made, the amount of each deduction and the payrolls from which deductions are to be made. The employer shall make the deductions as certified and transmit the amounts deducted in accordance with the rules established by the board under this section.

(C)(3) Rules adopted under this section division shall not affect any right to purchase service credit conferred by any other section of the Revised Code, including the right of a member under any such section to purchase only part of the service credit the member is eligible to purchase.

(D)(4) No payroll deduction made pursuant to this section division may exceed the amount of a member's net compensation after all other deductions and withholdings required by law.

(B) The public employees retirement board may establish by rule a payment plan for the cost of restoring service credit under section 145.31 or 145.311 of the Revised Code or purchasing any service credit members of the public employees retirement system may purchase under this chapter. The plan may provide for partial payments and for payments by payroll deduction under division (A) of this section.

On receipt of a request from a member eligible to restore or purchase service credit, the system shall determine and give notice to the member of the total cost of the credit and the time period in which the payments must be made for the credit to be available at that cost. The system may specify the amount and frequency of payments for credit not purchased in a single payment.

Sec. 145.295. (A) As used in this section and section 145.2913 of the Revised Code:

- (1) "Uniform retirement system" or "uniform system" means the Ohio police and fire pension fund or state highway patrol retirement system.
- (2) "Military service credit" means credit purchased or obtained under this chapter or Chapter 742. or 5505. of the Revised Code for service in the armed forces of the United States.
- (B) A member of the public employees retirement system who has contributions on deposit with, but is no longer contributing to, a uniform retirement system shall, in computing years of service, be given full credit for service credit earned under Chapter 742. or 5505. of the Revised Code or for military service credit if a transfer to the public employees retirement system is made under this division. At the request of the member, a transfer shall be made if all of the following conditions are met:
 - (1) The member is eligible, or with the credit will be eligible, for a