

(3) An eligible employee's election under division (B) of this section applies to the employee's employment in all positions at that public institution, unless the employee terminates employment at the public institution and does not return to employment in any position at that public institution ~~prior to one year~~ for at least three hundred sixty-five days after the date of termination.

(4) An eligible employee who makes an election under division (B) of this section is forever barred from claiming or purchasing service credit under any state retirement system for the period of employment while the election is in effect.

(D)(1) An eligible employee who fails to make an election under division (B) of this section within the one-hundred-twenty day election period shall be deemed to have elected to participate in the state retirement system that applies to the employee's employment.

(2) An eligible employee who fails to make an election under division (B) of this section shall not be permitted to make an election for employment in any other position at the public institution of higher education while employed at that public institution, unless the employee terminates employment at the public institution and does not return to employment in any position at the public institution ~~prior to one year~~ for at least three hundred sixty-five days after the date of termination.

Sec. 3305.053. The board of trustees of a public institution of higher education shall permit an employee who makes an election under section 3305.05 or 3305.051 of the Revised Code to do all of the following:

(A) Select, from among the providers that have entered into ~~a contract~~ an agreement with the public institution of higher education under section 3305.04 of the Revised Code, the provider of an investment option for that employee;

(B) ~~Except as permitted under division (C) of this section, contract with only one provider in any plan year;~~

~~(C) Change~~ Subject to any terms and conditions established by the public institution of higher education, change the provider selected under division (A) of this section ~~at the following times:~~

(1) ~~Once during the first payroll period in any plan year;~~

(2) ~~Any time the provider that the employee selected ceases, under division (C) of section 3305.03 of the Revised Code, to be designated any time during the plan year.~~

~~(D)(C)~~ (B) If under division ~~(C)~~ (B) of this section an employee changes providers, the employee may direct the provider ~~shall~~ to transfer to the new provider the employee's account balance either in whole or in part, as

directed by the employee, except that the provider is not required to immediately transfer any part of the account invested at the employee's election in a fixed annuity account if the contract with the employee under which the investment was made permits the provider to make such a transfer over a period of time not exceeding ten years and the contract was filed with and approved by the department of insurance pursuant to section 3911.011 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3305.06. (A) Each electing employee shall contribute an amount, which shall be a certain percentage of the employee's compensation, to the provider of the investment option the employee has selected. This percentage shall be the percentage the electing employee would have otherwise been required to contribute to the state retirement system that applies to the employee's position, except that the percentage shall not be less than three per cent. Employee contributions under this division may be treated as employer contributions in accordance with Internal Revenue Code 414(h).

(B) Each public institution of higher education employing an electing employee shall contribute a percentage of the employee's compensation to the provider of the investment option the employee has selected. This percentage shall be equal to the percentage that the public institution of higher education would otherwise contribute on behalf of that employee to the state retirement system that would otherwise cover that employee's position, less the percentage contributed by the public institution of higher education under division (D) of this section.

(C)(1) In no event shall the amount contributed by the electing employee pursuant to division (A) of this section and on the electing employee's behalf pursuant to division (B) of this section be less than the amount necessary to qualify the plan as a state retirement system pursuant to Internal Revenue Code 3121~~(B)~~(b)(7) and the regulations adopted thereunder.

(2) The full amount of the electing employee's contribution under division (A) of this section and the full amount of the employer's contribution made on behalf of that employee under division (B) of this section shall be paid to the appropriate provider for application to the electing employee's investment option.

(D) Each public institution of higher education employing an electing employee shall contribute on behalf of that employee to the state retirement system that otherwise applies to the electing employee's position a percentage of the electing employee's compensation to mitigate any negative financial impact of the alternative retirement program on the state retirement