

Membership of retirement system.

Sec. 3309.23. The membership of the school employees retirement system shall consist of:

(A) All employees, *as defined in division (B) of section 3309.01 of the Revised Code, who were in service on September 1, 1937*, except employees who have filed with their employer a statement in writing requesting exemption from membership or employees who are excluded by *** Chapter 3309. of the Revised Code.

(B) All employees who became employees or who were re-appointed as employees after September 1, 1937, except employees who are excluded by *** Chapter 3309. of the Revised Code.

(C) The employees *** *of an existing or newly created employer unit as defined in division (A) of section 3309.01 of the Revised Code*, supported in whole or in part by the state or any political subdivision thereof and wholly controlled and managed by the state or any subdivision thereof shall become members on the same terms and conditions as *** *provided by Chapter 3309. of the Revised Code*, provided the board of trustees or other managing body of such school, college, or other institution, if such institution is now in existence or if in existence on said date, shall agree by formal resolution to accept all the requirements and obligations imposed by *** Chapter 3309. of the Revised Code *** upon employers of members. *** A certified copy of said resolution shall be filed with the school employees retirement board. When such resolution has been adopted and a copy of it filed with the school employees retirement board, it shall not later be subject to rescindment or abrogation. Service in such schools, colleges, or other institutions shall be then considered in every way the same as service in the public schools.

(D) All other employees who become contributors.

Notwithstanding the provisions of divisions (A), (B), (C), and (D), any employee who becomes a disability beneficiary of the public employees retirement system or the state teachers retirement system shall thereafter be ineligible to make contributions or accrue benefits in the school employees retirement system.

(E) *In all cases of doubt pertaining to the membership of employees on an individual or group basis or the status of existing or newly created employer units, the decision shall be made by the retirement board, and such decision shall be final. (Amended in Amended Substitute House Bill No. 225)*

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