

effect for that month.

(D) Service credit purchased under this section for any period of leave shall not exceed two years. Credit may be purchased for more than one period of leave, but the total number of years purchased shall not exceed the lesser of five years or the member's total accumulated number of years of service as a contributor to the school employees retirement system. The member may choose to purchase only part of such credit in any one payment, subject to board rules.

(E) The board may adopt rules under section 3309.04 of the Revised Code to implement this section.

Sec. 3309.50. (A)(1) Upon the death of a retirant or disability benefit recipient, who at the time of death is receiving a service retirement allowance or disability benefit from the school employees retirement system, a lump-sum payment of one thousand dollars shall be paid to any designated or qualified beneficiary under division (D) of section 3309.44 of the Revised Code, or, if no such designation has been filed or if the designated beneficiary is deceased or is not located within ninety days, the school employees retirement board may approve payment to either the person responsible for the burial expenses or to the decedent's estate, following the completion of an application on a form approved by the school employees retirement board, in the following order of precedence to:

(a) The retirant or recipient's designated beneficiary;

(b) The retirant or recipient's surviving spouse;

(c) The retirant or recipient's children, share and share alike;

(d) The retirant or recipient's parents, share and share alike;

(e) The person responsible for the retirant or recipient's burial expenses;

(f) The retirant or recipient's estate.

(2) If a person listed in division (A)(1) of this section is deceased or is not located within one hundred eighty days, the person ceases to qualify for the payment. The payment shall be made to the person next in order of precedence.

(B) A benefit paid under this section shall be treated as life insurance for purposes of this chapter and shall be funded solely from contributions made under section 3309.49 of the Revised Code and any earnings attributable to those contributions.

Sec. 3309.51. (A) Each employer shall pay ~~annually~~ into the employers' trust fund, in ~~such~~ monthly or less frequent installments as the school employees retirement board requires, an amount certified by the school employees retirement board, which shall be as required by Chapter 3309. of the Revised Code.

Payments by school district boards of education to the employers' trust fund of the school employees retirement system may be made from the amounts allocated under Chapter 3317. of the Revised Code prior to their distribution to the individual school districts. The amount due from each school district may be certified by the secretary of the system to the superintendent of public instruction monthly, or at such times as is determined by the school employees retirement board.

Payments by governing authorities of community schools to the employers' trust fund of the school employees retirement system shall be made from the amounts allocated under section 3314.08 of the Revised Code prior to their distribution to the individual community schools. The amount due from each community school shall be certified by the secretary of the system to the superintendent of public instruction monthly, or at such times as determined by the school employees retirement board.

Payments by a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school to the employers' trust fund of the school employees retirement system shall be made from the amounts allocated under section 3326.33 of the Revised Code prior to their distribution to the school. The amount due from a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school shall be certified by the secretary of the school employees retirement system to the superintendent of public instruction monthly, or at such times as determined by the school employees retirement board.

(B) The superintendent shall deduct from the amount allocated to each community school under section 3314.08 of the Revised Code, to each school district under Chapter 3317. of the Revised Code, or to each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics school under section 3326.33 of the Revised Code the entire amounts due to the school employees retirement system from such school or school district upon the certification to the superintendent by the secretary thereof.

(C) Where an employer fails or has failed or refuses to make payments to the employers' trust fund, as provided for under Chapter 3309. of the Revised Code, or fails to pay any penalty imposed under section 3309.571 of the Revised Code the secretary of the school employees retirement system may certify to the state superintendent of public instruction, monthly or at such times as is determined by the school employees retirement board, the amount due from such employer, and the superintendent shall deduct from the amount allocated to the employer under section 3314.08 or 3326.33 or Chapter 3317. of the Revised Code, as applicable, the entire amounts due to the system from the employer upon the certification to the superintendent by the secretary of the school employees retirement system.

(D) The superintendent shall certify to the director of budget and management the amounts thus due the system for payment.

Sec. 3309.571. The school employees retirement system shall impose the following penalties, which may be collected in the same manner as described in division (B) of section 3309.51 of the Revised Code:

(A) For a failure to transmit contributions withheld from employees not later than the date specified under rules adopted by the school employees retirement board, one hundred dollars per day for each day the employer fails to transmit the contributions;

(B) For a failure to transmit any amount due the employer's trust fund not later than the date specified under rules adopted by the board, one hundred dollars per day for each day the employer fails to transmit the amounts;

(C) Except for a statement required by section 3309.28 of the Revised Code, for a failure to submit, complete, or correct any payroll information or other report required under this chapter not later than the date specified under rules adopted by the board, one hundred dollars per day for each day the employer fails to submit, complete, or correct the information or report, except that the penalty shall not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars;

(D) For a failure to submit a record in the form of a statement required by section 3309.28 of the Revised Code, fifty dollars per record for each month the record is not filed, except that the penalty shall not exceed three hundred dollars.

Sec. 3309.69. (A) As used in this section, "ineligible individual" means all of the following:

~~(1) A former member receiving benefits pursuant to section 3309.34, 3309.35, 3309.36, 3309.38, or 3309.381 of the Revised Code for whom eligibility is established more than five years after June 13, 1981, and who, at the time of establishing eligibility, has accrued less than ten years of service credit, exclusive of credit obtained after January 29, 1981, pursuant to sections 3309.021, 3309.301, 3309.31, and 3309.33 of the Revised Code;~~

~~(2) The spouse of the former member;~~

~~(3) The beneficiary of the former member receiving benefits pursuant to section 3309.46 of the Revised Code.~~

(B) The school employees retirement board may enter establish a program to provide medical, hospital, surgical, prescription, or other health care coverage, benefits, reimbursement, or any combination thereof, to eligible individuals or dependents.

Any program established under this section shall be designed and administered by the board. In establishing a program, the board may do any