

Sec. 5505.202. (A) As used in this section:

(1) "Full-time service" means full-time service as defined by rule which shall be adopted by the state highway patrol retirement board.

(2) "Qualified contributions" means contributions to the public employees retirement system, state teachers retirement system, or school employees retirement system attributable to full-time service or purchase of credit for service in the armed forces of the United States.

(B)(1) For purposes of computing the pension payable under section 5505.17 or 5505.18 of the Revised Code, a member of the state highway patrol retirement system who is a former member of the public employees retirement system, school employees retirement system, or state teachers retirement system and has received a return of contributions from the former retirement system shall be given full credit for service credit earned for full-time service as a member of the former retirement system or purchased for service in the armed forces of the United States if, for each year of service credit, the state highway patrol retirement system receives the sum of the following:

(a) An amount, which shall be paid by the member to the member's credit in the employees savings fund, equal to the amount received by the member from the former retirement system for that year that is attributable to contributions made for full-time service and payments for credit purchased for service in the armed forces of the United States, plus interest on that amount from the date payment was made to the member by the former retirement system to the date the member makes the payment to the state highway patrol retirement system;

(b) Interest, which shall be transferred by the former retirement system, on the amount received by the member that is attributable to the year of service from the last day of the year for which the service credit was earned or in which the military service credit was purchased or obtained to the date the amount was paid to the member;

(c) An amount, which shall be transferred by the former retirement system, equal to the lesser of the employer's qualified contributions to the former retirement system for the year of service or the amount that would have been contributed by the employer for the year of service had the member been a member of the state highway patrol retirement system, with interest on that amount from the last day of the year for which the service credit was earned or in which military service credit was purchased or obtained to the date the transfer is made.

On receipt of payment from the member, the state highway patrol retirement system shall notify the former retirement system, which, on receipt of the notice, shall make the transfer required by this division. Interest shall be determined in accordance with division (E) of this section.

(2) For purposes of computing the pension payable under section 5505.17 or 5505.18 of the Revised Code, a member of the state highway patrol retirement system who has contributions on deposit with the public employees retirement system, school employees retirement system, or state teachers retirement system shall be given full credit for service credit earned for full-time service as a member of that retirement system ~~or~~ ANY SERVICE CREDIT purchased for service in the armed forces of the United States, AND ANY SERVICE CREDIT OBTAINED UNDER SECTION 145.295, 3307.761, OR 3309.381 OF THE REVISED CODE FOR SERVICE FOR WHICH CONTRIBUTIONS WERE

MADE TO THE OHIO POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUND. THE CREDIT SHALL BE GIVEN if, for each year of service, the public employees retirement system, school employees retirement system, or state teachers retirement system transfers to the state highway patrol retirement system the sum of the following:

- (a) An amount equal to the member's qualified contributions;
- (b) An amount equal to the lesser of the employer's qualified contributions to the public employees retirement system, school employees retirement system, or state teachers retirement system or the amount that would have been contributed by the employer for the full-time service had the member been a member of the state highway patrol retirement system;

(c) AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO ANY AMOUNT RECEIVED BY THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNDER SECTION 145.295, 3307.761, OR 3309.351 OF THE REVISED CODE;

(d) Interest, determined in accordance with division (E) of this section, on the amounts specified in divisions (B)(2)(a) and (b), AND (c) of this section from the last day of the year for which the service credit IN THE TRANSFERRING RETIREMENT SYSTEM was earned or in which military service credit OR SERVICE CREDIT UNDER SECTION 145.295, 3307.761, OR 3309.351 OF THE REVISED CODE was purchased or obtained to the date the transfer is made.

On receipt of a request from the member, the appropriate retirement system shall make the transfer.

(3) For purposes of computing the pension payable under section 5505.17 or 5505.18 of the revised Code, a member of the state highway patrol retirement system who has contributions on deposit with the Cincinnati retirement system shall be given full credit for service credit earned for full-time service as a member of that retirement system or purchased from the retirement system for service in the armed forces of the United States if, for each year of service credit, the state highway patrol retirement system receives the sum of the following:

- (a) An amount, which shall be paid by the member to the member's credit in the employees savings fund, equal to the amount withdrawn from the Cincinnati retirement system that is attributable to that year of service, with interest on that amount determined in accordance with division (I) of this section from the date of withdrawal to the date of payment;
- (b) Interest, which shall be paid either by the member or the Cincinnati retirement system, on the amount withdrawn from the Cincinnati retirement system that is attributable to the year of service from the last day of the year for which the service credit was earned or in which the military service credit was purchased or obtained to the date the amount was withdrawn;

(c) An amount, which shall be paid either by the member or the Cincinnati retirement system, equal to the lesser of the amount contributed by the employer to the Cincinnati retirement system for the year of service or the amount that would have been contributed by the employer for the year of service had the member been a member of the state highway

patrol retirement system, with interest on that amount from the last day of the year for which the service credit was earned or in which military service was purchased or obtained to the date the payment is made.

(C) If a member who is not a current contributor and has not received a refund of accumulated contributions elects to receive credit under section 145.295, 3307.761, or 3309.351 of the Revised Code for service for which the member contributed to the state highway patrol retirement system and credit purchased for service in the armed forces of the United States, the state highway patrol retirement system shall transfer to the appropriate retirement system the amount specified in division (A) of section 145.295, division (A) of section 3307.761, or division (A) of section 3309.351 of the Revised Code.

(D)(1) A member is ineligible to purchase or otherwise receive credit under this section for service that is used in the calculation of any retirement benefit currently being paid or that is payable in the future to the member, or service rendered concurrently with any other period for which service credit has already been granted.

(2) Except as provided under division (D)(3) of this section, no service credit purchased under this section or received as a result of a transfer requested under this section shall be used to determine any member's eligibility for retirement under sections 5505.16 and 5505.17 of the Revised Code.

(3) Service credit obtained under this section by a member for credit purchased for service in the armed forces of the United States or for service as a state highway patrol cadet attending training school pursuant to section 5503.05 of the Revised Code shall be used to determine the member's eligibility for retirement under sections 5505.16 and 5505.17 of the Revised Code.

(4) Subject to rules of the state highway patrol retirement system, a member may choose to purchase only part of the credit the member is eligible to purchase under division (B)(1) or (3) of this section.

(E) At the request of the state highway patrol retirement system, the public employees retirement system, school employees retirement system, state teachers retirement system, or Cincinnati retirement system shall certify to the state highway patrol retirement system a copy of the records of service, salary, and contributions of a member who seeks service credit under this section.

Interest charged under this section shall be calculated separately for each year of service credit at the lesser of the actuarial assumption rate for that year of the state highway patrol retirement system or of the retirement system in which the credit was earned. The interest shall be compounded annually.

The state highway patrol retirement system board may adopt rules establishing procedures for the purchase of service credit or the transfer of contributions under this section.