

(14) "Earnable compensation" means the normal monthly compensation payable to a teacher for working the normal time for the teacher's position and that is equal to one-twelfth of the employee's annual salary rate, INCLUDING THE MONTHLY PICKUP CONTRIBUTION PROVIDED FOR IN § 89(1)(F) OF THIS ARTICLE.

(24) "REGULAR CONTRIBUTIONS" MEANS THE AMOUNTS DEDUCTED FROM THE COMPENSATION OF A MEMBER AND CREDITED TO THE MEMBER'S INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNT IN THE ANNUITY SAVINGS FUND PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1989.

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All of the assets of the retirement system shall be credited according to the purpose for which they are held to one of three funds, namely, the Annuity Savings Fund, the Accumulation Fund, and the Expense Fund.

(1) (a) The Annuity Savings Fund shall be a fund [in which shall be] CONSISTING OF accumulated contributions [from the compensation] CREDITED TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS of members to provide for their annuities. Upon the basis of such tables as the board of trustees shall adopt and an interest rate of 4 percent per year compounded annually, the actuary of the retirement system shall determine for each member who shall have become a member prior to July 1, 1973 the proportion of compensation which, when deducted from each payment of his prospective earnable annual compensation prior to his attainment of age 60 and accumulated at interest of 4 percent per year compounded annually, until his attainment of such age shall be computed to provide at that time an annuity equal to one one-hundred and fortieth of his average final compensation for each year of service as a member. Such proportion of compensation shall be computed to remain constant. However, commencing as of July 1, 1973, the proportion of compensation payable by any member as of June 30, 1973 shall be the lesser of (i) the proportion so determined, or (ii) 5 percent of his earnable compensation, and the proportion of compensation payable by any person who becomes a member after June 30, 1973 shall be 5 percent of his earnable compensation. Any member who elects under § 85(2)(c) of this article a full service credit for regular part-time service in the computation of the retirement allowance or benefit shall contribute 5 percent of the compensation the member would have earned had the member been a full-time employee during the period of disability.

(F) (I) IN THIS PARAGRAPH "APPROVED EMPLOYER" MEANS AN EMPLOYER OF MEMBERS IN THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, WHO HAS OBTAINED THE APPROVAL OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE TO HAVE AN EMPLOYER PICKUP PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 414(H)(2) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.