

~~(B) AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION CONTINUES TO BE A MEMBER OF THE TEACHERS' PENSION SYSTEM UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL ELECTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM UNDER TITLE 30 OF THIS ARTICLE ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2008.~~

23-304.1.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a member may not purchase service credit under this title if the member is separated from employment.

(b) A member WHO IS SEPARATED FROM EMPLOYMENT may purchase service credit under this title [if the member is on] FOR a leave of absence approved by the Board of Trustees under regulations that apply to all members, IF THE MEMBER PURCHASES THE SERVICE CREDIT WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

23-306.

(A) A member is entitled to eligibility service during a leave of absence if the leave of absence:

(1) is approved by the Board of Trustees under regulations that apply to all members similarly situated; and

(2) is not otherwise recognized as eligibility service under this subtitle.

(B) TO RECEIVE SERVICE CREDIT FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, A MEMBER SHALL PAY THE MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS WITH REGULAR INTEREST, IF ANY, AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES UNDER REGULATIONS THAT APPLY TO ALL MEMBERS SIMILARLY SITUATED.

24-304.1.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a member may not purchase service credit under this title if the member is separated from employment.

(b) A member WHO IS SEPARATED FROM EMPLOYMENT may purchase service credit under this title [if the member is on] FOR a leave of absence approved by the Board of Trustees under regulations that apply to all members, IF THE MEMBER PURCHASES THE SERVICE CREDIT WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE LEAVE OF ABSENCE.