A bill to amend 1957 PA 261, entitled "Michigan legislative retirement system act," by amending section 50a (MCL 38.1050a), as amended by 1994 PA [359].

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 50a. (1) The grants and insurance revolving fund is
- 2 created in the state treasury as a separate fund, into which
- 3 shall be paid legislative grants, earnings from the fund, pay-
- 4 ments by or on behalf of members, and revenue from other sources
- 5 accepted by the board. Money appropriated to the grants and
- 6 insurance revolving fund shall not revert to the general fund at
- 7 the close of the fiscal year but shall remain in the grants and
- 8 insurance revolving fund. The legislative grants in the grants
- 9 and insurance revolving fund shall not be expended except upon
- 10 express direction of the legislature; but all other money in the

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- 1 grants and insurance revolving fund may be expended for the
- 2 purposes and in the manner provided in this section.
- 3 (2) Beginning with salary received that is attributable to
- 4 service performed on and after January 1, 1995, each legislator
- 5 or member shall pay a sum equal to 0.5% of salary common to all
- 6 members to the grants and insurance revolving fund to be eligible
- 7 for the benefits provided in this section. The sum shall be col-
- 8 lected by payroll deductions in the manner prescribed in this
- **9** act.
- 10 (3) The board shall self-insure or shall purchase and pay
- 11 the premiums on a life insurance policy or policies to provide
- 12 life insurance death or other benefits for retirants, deferred
- 13 vested members, and the spouses, eligible children, or eligible
- 14 beneficiaries of retirants and deferred vested members from the
- 15 amounts paid pursuant to subsection (2) for this purpose to the
- 16 grants and insurance revolving fund. Life insurance benefits
- 17 provided on June 23, 1987 shall not be diminished due to the
- 18 amendments to this section by Act No. 58 of the Public Acts of
- **19** 1987 1987 PA 58.
- 20 (4) A member or deferred vested member, upon application to
- 21 retire under this act, shall elect to have the board provide life
- 22 insurance benefits under this section or to have the actuarial
- 23 present value of the life insurance benefits as of the date of
- 24 retirement used to purchase an additional monthly life annuity
- 25 for the member or deferred vested member. The election under
- 26 this section made by the member or deferred vested member is
- 27 irrevocable. If the member or deferred vested member elects an

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- 1 annuity under this section, the person's spouse and any person
- 2 previously designated as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy
- 3 by a member or a deferred vested member under this section shall
- 4 sign a statement prepared by the retirement board acknowledging
- 5 the election of the member. The additional monthly life annuity
- 6 shall be paid from the grants and insurance revolving fund.

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