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(COMPANION TO 5079SS BY FREEMAN)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act concerning bona fide retirement for nurses under the Iowa
2 public employees' retirement system.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 97B.52A, subsection 1, paragraph c,
2 Code 2001, is amended to read as follows:

3 c. For a member whose first month of entitlement is July
4 2000 or later, the member does not return to any employment
5 with a covered employer until the member has qualified for at
6 least one calendar month of retirement benefits, and the
7 member does not return to covered employment until the member
8 has qualified for no fewer than four calendar months of
9 retirement benefits. For purposes of this paragraph,
10 effective July 1, 2000, any employment with a covered employer
11 does not include employment as an elective official or member
12 of the general assembly if the member is not covered under
13 this chapter for that employment. In addition, for purposes
14 of this paragraph, effective July 1, 2002, covered employment
15 does not include employment as a registered nurse or a
16 licensed practical nurse.

17 EXPLANATION

18 This bill provides that an Iowa public employees'
19 retirement system (IPERS) member can retire and return to
20 employment as a registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse
21 for an employer covered under IPERS after receiving retirement
22 benefits for one month and still remain eligible to receive a
23 retirement allowance. Under current law, a member of IPERS
24 cannot return to any IPERS covered employment, including
25 nursing, for four months following retirement and still
26 receive a retirement allowance.

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