161-8.17(216) Employment benefits.

8.17(1) An employer is not required to provide the same pension, retirement, or insurance benefits to all employees where the cost varies with the age of the individual employee. Business necessity or bona fide underwriting criteria shall be the only basis used by employers for providing different benefits to employees of different ages unless the benefits are provided under a retirement plan or benefit system not adopted as a mere subterfuge to evade the purposes of the Act.

8.17(2) The existence of a provision in a retirement plan stating a maximum eligibility age for entrance into a retirement plan shall not authorize rejecting from employment an applicant who is over the maximum eligibility age for the retirement plan.