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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2115

Introduced by Assembly Member Alejo

February 23, 2012

~~An act to amend Section 5786 of the Public Resources Code, relating to recreation and park districts. An act to add Section 7514.6 to the Government Code, relating to public employees' retirement.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2115, as amended, Alejo. ~~Recreation and park districts: powers and duties. Public employees' retirement: pension limitation.~~

Existing law establishes the Public Employees' Retirement System and the State Teachers' Retirement System for the purpose of providing pension benefits to their employees. Existing law also establishes the Judges' Retirement System II which provides pension benefits to elected judges and the Legislators' Retirement System which provides pension benefits to elective officers of the state other than judges and to legislative statutory officers. The County Employees Retirement Law of 1937 authorizes counties to establish retirement systems pursuant to its provisions in order to provide pension benefits to county, city, and district employees. The Regents of the University of California have established the University of California Retirement System as a trust for this purpose.

This bill would prohibit the pension benefit of a person who is a member of a public retirement system from exceeding \$173,987 per year.

~~Existing law provides for the establishment of recreation and park districts prescribes procedures for, among other things, the formation~~

of the district, and sets forth the powers and duties of the district board of directors.

~~This bill would make various technical, nonsubstantive changes in the provisions governing the powers and duties of a recreation and park district.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~ yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 7514.6 is added to the Government Code,
2 to read:

3 7514.6. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, for purposes of
4 determining the defined pension benefit of a person who is a
5 member of a public retirement system, the maximum amount of
6 that benefit shall not exceed one hundred seventy-three thousand
7 nine hundred eighty-seven dollars (\$173,987) per year.

8 (b) For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:

9 (1) "Public employer" means:

10 (A) The state and every state entity, including, but not limited
11 to, the Legislature, the courts, the California State University, and
12 the University of California.

13 (B) Any political subdivision of the state, including, but not
14 limited to, a city, county, city and county, charter city, charter
15 county, charter city and county, school district, community college
16 district, joint powers authority, joint powers agency, and any public
17 agency, authority, board, commission, district, or other entity.

18 (2) "Public retirement system" means any pension or retirement
19 system of a public employer.

20 ~~SECTION 1. Section 5786 of the Public Resources Code is~~
21 ~~amended to read:~~

22 ~~5786. A district may do all of the following:~~

23 ~~(a) Organize, promote, conduct, and advertise programs of~~
24 ~~community recreation, including, but not limited to, parks and~~
25 ~~open space, parking, transportation, and any other related services~~
26 ~~that improve the community's quality of life.~~

27 ~~(b) Establish systems of recreation and recreation facilities,~~
28 ~~including, but not limited to, parks and open space.~~

- 1 ~~(e) Acquire, construct, improve, maintain, and operate recreation~~
- 2 ~~facilities, including, but not limited to, parks and open space, both~~
- 3 ~~inside and beyond the district's boundaries.~~

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