

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2606**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Mendoza**

February 24, 2012

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An act to amend Section 21623 of the Government Code, relating to public employees' retirement.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2606, as introduced, Mendoza. Public employees' retirement: postretirement death benefits.

The Public Employees' Retirement Law requires that, upon the death of any state or school member after retirement and while receiving a retirement allowance, the sum of \$2,000 be paid to the member's designated beneficiary, except as specified.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 21623 of the Government Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 21623. (a) In lieu of benefits provided by Section 21620 or
- 4 21622, upon the death of any retired state or school member, after
- 5 retirement and while receiving a retirement allowance from this
- 6 system, there shall be paid to the beneficiary whom he or she shall
- 7 nominate by written designation duly executed and filed with the

1 board, the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000), to be provided  
2 from contributions by the employer.

3 (b) For the purposes of this section, all contributions, liabilities,  
4 actuarial interest rates, and other valuation factors shall be  
5 determined on the basis of actuarial assumptions and methods that,  
6 in the aggregate, are reasonable and that, in combination, offer the  
7 actuary's best estimate of anticipated experience under this system.

8 (c) The additional employer contributions required under this  
9 section shall be computed as a level percentage of member  
10 compensation.

11 (d) This section shall apply to ~~a~~ *any* school employer and ~~a~~ *any*  
12 retired school member whose death after retirement occurs on or  
13 after January 1, 2001. This section shall not apply to any  
14 contracting agency or local member, except those contracting  
15 agencies that are school employers and those school districts or  
16 community college districts as defined in subdivision (i) of Section  
17 20057.