

SCS SB 137 -- PUBLIC SCHOOL RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MISSOURI

SPONSOR: Bray (Moore)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Special Committee on Retirement by a vote of 8 to 0.

Currently, retired teachers of the Public School Retirement System of Missouri can teach full-time for up to two years for a school district having a critical shortage of teachers and still receive retirement benefits. This substitute clarifies that teachers can work part-time or full-time for two years in these districts without losing their retirement benefits.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2008, FY 2009, and FY 2010.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill will clarify that districts can hire these retirees back for two years at up to full-time capacity.

Testifying for the bill were Senator Bray; and Missouri National Education Association.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.