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LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

(Teacher Pension Fund--allows
Continuance of membership while
in Peace Corps

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CHAPTER 431

Bill No. S3348

Sponsor(s) Orechio and Feldman

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Committee: Assembly State Gov't, Federal & Interstate Relations & Veterans Affairs

Senate _____

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Sponsor statement Yes (Below)

Committee Statement: Assembly No

Senate No

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Reports No

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Sponsors' statement:

The purpose of this bill is to permit the continuance of membership in the Teacher's Pension and Annuity Fund during an absence from service occasioned by enrollment in the Peace Corps of the United States. It will prevent the loss of accrued pension time by individuals who temporarily discontinue teaching in the New Jersey public schools in order to teach in voluntary government service.

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SENATE, No. 3348

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JUNE 25, 1981

By Senators ORECHIO and FELDMAN

(Without Reference)

AN ACT concerning teachers' pensions and supplementing chapter
66 of Title 18A of the New Jersey Statutes.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. If a teacher has been or hereafter shall be discontinued from
2 teaching service through voluntary service in the Peace Corps of
3 the United States, his membership in the Teachers' Pension and
4 Annuity Fund shall continue if he has not withdrawn his ac-
5 cumulated deductions, and if he returns to teaching service within
6 a period of 5 years from the date of his discontinuance from service.
7 Any previously held account in the Teachers' Pension and Annuity
8 Fund which has expired as a result of such a discontinuance shall
9 be reconstructed, and credit for retirement purposes shall be
10 allowed to such member covering the period of his service in the
11 Peace Corps. The method of computation, the terms of the purchase
12 and the credit granted shall be identical to those stipulated for the
13 purchase of previous membership service by members of the fund
14 as provided in N. J. S. 18A:66-9.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

The purpose of this bill is to permit the continuance of membership in the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund during an absence from service occasioned by enrollment in the Peace Corps of the United States. It will prevent the loss of accrued pension time by individuals who temporarily discontinue teaching in the New Jersey public schools in order to teach in voluntary government service.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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BOB DOWD

Governor Brendan Byrne today signed the following bills:

S-3259, sponsored by Senator Laurence S. Weiss (D-Middlesex), requiring the Senate and Assembly to fill any legislative vacancies by a special election 37 to 43 days after a respective house has issued a writ--the writ to be issued within ten days after the vacancy is created. The requirement applies at all times except during the last three months of the second legislative year. During that period, the affected house would have the discretion--as they now do--of filling a vacant seat.

Under the bill, the State would pick up the costs of any special election.

S-1232, sponsored by Senator James P. Vreeland Jr. (R-Morris), allowing members of certain closely related professions to form professional corporations. Under current law, only members of professions rendering the same service may incorporate.

This bill would specifically allow, for example, architects, land surveyors and land planners or physicians, dentists and surgeons to form professional corporations.

S-3348, sponsored by Senator Carmen Orechio (D-Essex), permitting an individual who interrupts his service as a teacher to enroll in the U.S. Peace Corps to continue his membership in the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF), provided that the person returns to teaching service within five years and has not withdrawn his accumulated deductions. The teacher would be required to buy back the pension time lost in his Peace Corps service.

Under the bill, if the teacher has withdrawn his contributions to the TPAF, he can buy back his Peace Corps time if he also buys back the time he previously served in a TPAF-covered position.

S-3163, sponsored by Senator Steven P. Perskie (D-Atlantic), allowing all Superior Court judges to administer oaths of office to other appointees to superior court. Currently, only Supreme Court justices may administer the oath of office to superior court appointees.