

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0089

Law enforcement retirement-highway patrol dispatchers.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) McOmie

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the Wyoming retirement system;  
2 authorizing the purchase of service credit for highway  
3 patrol dispatchers as law enforcement service; requiring  
4 notification of dispatchers as to retirement election;  
5 providing an appropriation; and providing for effective  
6 dates.

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8 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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10 **Section 1.**

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12 (a) One million seven hundred fifty-seven thousand  
13 dollars (\$1,757,000.00) is appropriated from the general  
14 fund to the state retirement account for the purchase of  
15 Wyoming highway patrol dispatcher service credits specified  
16 as follows:

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1           (i) Any dispatcher continuously employed by the  
2 Wyoming highway patrol on or before July 1, 2002, who  
3 continues to be employed in that position and is currently  
4 enrolled as a law enforcement officer for purposes of W.S.  
5 9-3-432, shall receive law enforcement service credit under  
6 W.S. 9-3-432 for all prior service from the date of  
7 employment through July 1, 2007;

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9           (ii) Any dispatcher continuously employed by the  
10 Wyoming highway patrol before July 1, 2002, who continues  
11 to be employed in that position and is not currently  
12 enrolled as a law enforcement officer for purposes of W.S.  
13 9-3-432, shall on or before July 1, 2007, elect to either  
14 enroll as an officer under W.S. 9-3-432 on or before July  
15 1, 2007, or remain under the retirement program pursuant to  
16 W.S. 9-3-401 through 9-3-430. If an election is made  
17 pursuant to this paragraph to enroll as an officer, the  
18 electing dispatcher shall receive law enforcement service  
19 credit under W.S. 9-3-432 for all prior service from the  
20 date of employment through July 1, 2007. Any highway  
21 patrol dispatcher electing not to enroll as an officer  
22 shall not receive any law enforcement service credit under  
23 W.S. 9-3-432 as made available under this paragraph.

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1           **Section 2.** The Wyoming retirement board shall notify  
2 Wyoming highway patrol dispatchers of the provisions of  
3 this act as soon as possible to enable dispatchers to make  
4 an informed election as to retirement participation before  
5 July 1, 2007.

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7           **Section 3.**

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9           (a) Except as provided by subsection (b) of this  
10 section, this act is effective July 1, 2007.

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12           (b) Section 2 of this act is effective immediately  
13 upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become  
14 law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
15 Constitution.

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17           (c) The option for Wyoming highway patrol dispatchers  
18 to enroll under this act is effective immediately upon  
19 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
20 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
21 Constitution.

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