

WYOMING RETIREMENT ACT

§ 9-3-401. Short title.

This article is known and may be cited as "The Wyoming Retirement Act".

§ 9-3-402. Definitions.

(a) As used in this article:

(i) "Account" or "member account" means the member's contributions, the member's contributions paid by an employer under W.S. 9-3-412 and any amounts transferred to the system from a terminated system on behalf of the member, plus interest compounded annually at a rate determined by the board not to exceed the average annual investment yield earned on the assets of the system;

(ii) Repealed by Laws 1994, ch. 67, § 3.

(iii) "Actuarial equivalent amount" means a benefit of equal value computed upon the basis of the actuarial assumptions determined by the board;

(iv) "Board" or "retirement board" means the retirement board of the Wyoming retirement system established by this article;

(v) "Disability" means the mental or physical incapacitation of any member including:

(A) "Total disability" which is a disability condition that renders a member unable to engage in any occupation for which he is reasonably suited by training or experience and which is reasonably expected to last at least twelve (12) months; and

(B) "Partial disability" which is a disability condition that renders a member unable to perform the occupation for which he is reasonably suited by training and experience but still allows him to function in other employment and which is reasonably expected to last at least twelve (12) months.

(vi) "Employer" or "participating employer" means:

(A) The state of Wyoming and any department, board, commission or other agency or instrumentality of the state;

(B) Any county, county memorial hospital, special hospital district, city or town or legally constituted department designated to the board by the appropriate governing body as an employer under this article;

(C) Any municipal corporation;

(D) Any school district;

(E) The Wyoming School Activities Association;

(F) The Wyoming Education Association;

(G) The Wyoming School Boards' Association;

(H) The Wyoming Public Employees' Association;

(J) and (K) Repealed by Laws 1994, ch. 67, § 3.

(M) The Wyoming County Commissioners' Association;

(N) The Wyoming Association of Municipalities;

(O) Any senior citizen center within the state;

(P) Community-based mental health, substance abuse, developmental disabilities, family violence and sexual assault programs which receive state support and which operate under standards established by the division of community programs [department of health] pursuant to W.S. 9-2-102, those programs and facilities serving youth certified by the department of family services pursuant to W.S. 9-2-2101 and those programs and facilities serving individuals in need of vocational rehabilitation as certified by the division of vocational rehabilitation pursuant to W.S. 9-2-109;

(Q) The legislative service office;

(R) The state judicial branch;

(S) Any community college;

(T) The University of Wyoming;

(U) Any special district; and

(W) Any other political subdivision of the state or local government or any organization or entity which by virtue of its organization or purpose is considered by the board to be a governmental entity and receives a major portion of its funding from taxing authority delegated by law, from federal, state or local government or from an agency or political subdivision of state or local government.

(vii) "Member" means and includes any full-time or regular part-time employee of an employer, including substitute teachers if treated by the employer as regular, part-time employees and including law enforcement officers and firefighter members, but "member" does not mean: