NRS 286.523 Employment of retired employee: Exception for reemployment of certain retired employees to fill positions for which critical labor shortage exists; determination and designation of such positions; limitation on length of designation of position.

- 1. It is the policy of this State to ensure that the reemployment of a retired public employee pursuant to this section is limited to positions of extreme need. An employer who desires to employ such a retired public employee to fill a position for which there is a critical labor shortage must make the determination of reemployment based upon the appropriate and necessary delivery of services to the public.
- 2. The provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of <u>NRS 286.520</u> do not apply to a retired employee who accepts employment or an independent contract with a public employer under the System if:
 - (a) The retired employee fills a position for which there is a critical labor shortage; and
 - (b) At the time of the retired employee's reemployment, the retired employee is receiving:
 - (1) A benefit that is not actuarially reduced pursuant to subsection 6 of NRS 286.510; or
- (2) A benefit actuarially reduced pursuant to subsection 6 of <u>NRS 286.510</u> and has reached the required age at which the retired employee could have retired with a benefit that was not actuarially reduced pursuant to subsection 6 of <u>NRS 286.510</u>.
- 3. A retired employee who is reemployed under the circumstances set forth in subsection 2 may reenroll in the System as provided in <u>NRS 286.525</u>.
- 4. Positions for which there are critical labor shortages must be determined in an open public meeting held by the designating authority as follows:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the State Board of Examiners shall designate positions in State Government for which there are critical labor shortages.
- (b) The Supreme Court shall designate positions in the Judicial Branch of State Government for which there are critical labor shortages.
- (c) The Board of Regents shall designate positions in the Nevada System of Higher Education for which there are critical labor shortages.
- (d) The board of trustees of each school district shall designate positions within the school district for which there are critical labor shortages.
- (e) The governing body of a charter school shall designate positions within the charter school for which there are critical labor shortages.
- (f) The governing body of a local government shall designate positions with the local government for which there are critical labor shortages.
 - (g) The Board shall designate positions within the System for which there are critical labor shortages.
- 5. In determining whether a position is a position for which there is a critical labor shortage, the designating authority shall make findings based upon the criteria set forth in this subsection that support the designation. Before making a designation, the designating authority shall consider all efforts made by the applicable employer to fill the position through other means. The written findings made by the designating authority must include:
 - (a) The history of the rate of turnover for the position;
- (b) The number of openings for the position and the number of qualified candidates for those openings after all other efforts of recruitment have been exhausted:
 - (c) The length of time the position has been vacant;
- (d) The difficulty in filling the position due to special circumstances, including, without limitation, special educational or experience requirements for the position; and
- (e) The history and success of the efforts to recruit for the position, including, without limitation, advertising, recruitment outside of this State and all other efforts made.
- 6. A designating authority that designates a position as a critical need position shall submit to the System its written findings which support that designation made pursuant to subsection 5 on a form prescribed by the System. The System shall compile the forms received from each designating authority and provide a biennial report on the compilation to the Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee of the Legislature.
- 7. A designating authority shall not designate a position pursuant to subsection 4 as a position for which there is a critical labor shortage for a period longer than 2 years. To be redesignated as such a position, the designating authority must consider and make new findings in an open public meeting as to whether the position continues to meet the criteria set forth in subsection 5.
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