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3 By Senators Dial, Holley, McClendon, Livingston, Whatley and  
4 Ward  
5 RFD: Finance and Taxation Education  
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7 A BILL  
8 TO BE ENTITLED  
9 AN ACT

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11 Relating to retirement; to provide for a funded  
12 one-time lump-sum addition to the retirement benefits of  
13 certain retirees and beneficiaries of the Teachers' Retirement  
14 System.

15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

16 Section 1. (a) There is hereby provided for fiscal  
17 year 2017-2018 a funded one-time lump-sum payment, hereinafter  
18 referred to as "lump-sum payment," in the amount of \$400.00 to  
19 each person whose effective date of retirement for purposes of  
20 receiving benefits from the Teachers' Retirement System is  
21 prior to October 1, 2016, and who is receiving or is entitled  
22 to receive a monthly allowance from the Teachers' Retirement  
23 System on September 30, 2017.

24 (b) Beneficiaries of deceased members or deceased  
25 retirees, if the date of death for the deceased member, or the  
26 effective date of retirement for the deceased retiree for  
27 purposes of receiving benefits from the Teachers' Retirement

1 System was prior to October 1, 2016, and if the beneficiary is  
2 receiving or is entitled to receive a monthly allowance from  
3 the Teachers' Retirement System on September 30, 2017, shall  
4 receive a lump-sum payment of \$400.00.

5 (c) There is hereby provided for fiscal year  
6 2017-2018 a funded one-time lump-sum payment to certain  
7 persons identified in subsection (e) herein, whose effective  
8 date of retirement for purposes of receiving benefits from the  
9 Employees' Retirement System is prior to October 1, 2016, and  
10 who is receiving or is entitled to receive a monthly allowance  
11 from the Employees' Retirement System on September 30, 2017.

12 (d) For purposes of this section, service includes  
13 the service under Section 16-25-1 and Section 16-25-150 et  
14 seq., Code of Alabama 1975.

15 (e) Any person who received benefits under the  
16 Medicaid program and whose eligibility for Medicaid benefits  
17 would be impaired by the lump-sum payment provided by this  
18 section shall not be entitled to receive the aforementioned  
19 increase. Any person who subsequently applies for benefits  
20 under the Medicaid program and that person's eligibility to  
21 receive benefits is impaired by the lump-sum payment provided  
22 by this section shall not be entitled to receive the increase  
23 subsequent to the date that the member files application for  
24 benefits under the Medicaid program.

25 (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section  
26 29-9-5, Code of Alabama 1975, there is hereby appropriated  
27 from the Education Trust Fund Budget Stabilization Fund to the

1 Teachers' Retirement System of Alabama \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the fiscal  
2 year beginning October 1, 2017, or such amounts as are  
3 necessary to carry out the provisions of this section as it  
4 relates to the Teachers' Retirement System. Such appropriation  
5 shall be paid in full to the Teachers' Retirement System by  
6 October 31, 2017.

7 (g) The lump-sum payments provided under this  
8 section shall be paid to all eligible recipients by the  
9 Teachers' Retirement System in December 2017.

10 Section 2. This act shall become effective  
11 immediately following its passage and approval by the  
12 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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Yeas 26  
Nays 1  
Abstaining 3

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.