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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CORRECTIONS OFFICERS.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Section 88-281, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3           "**§88-281 Service retirement.** (a) A member who has ten  
4 years of credited service and has attained age sixty-two, or a  
5 member with thirty years credited service who has attained the  
6 age of fifty-five, shall become eligible to receive a retirement  
7 allowance after the member has terminated service.

8           (b) If a member has at least twenty-five years of credited  
9 service as a sewer worker or as a water safety officer of which  
10 the last five or more years prior to retirement is credited in  
11 such a capacity, then the sewer worker or water safety officer  
12 shall be eligible to receive a retirement benefit unreduced for  
13 age after the member has terminated service.

14           (c) A member who has twenty years of credited service and  
15 has attained age fifty-five shall be eligible to receive an  
16 early retirement allowance reduced for age after the member has  
17 terminated service.



1 (d) A member who has ten years of credited service and  
2 terminates service prior to attaining age sixty-two shall have a  
3 vested right and shall be eligible to receive a retirement  
4 allowance when the member has attained age sixty-five.

5 (e) If a member has at least thirty years of credited  
6 service through June 30, 2003; twenty-nine years of credited  
7 service on or after July 1, 2004; twenty-eight years of credited  
8 service on or after July 1, 2005; twenty-seven years of credited  
9 service on or after July 1, 2006; twenty-six years of credited  
10 service on or after July 1, 2007; and twenty-five years of  
11 credited service on or after July 1, 2008, as an emergency  
12 medical technician, of which the last five or more years prior  
13 to retirement is credited service in that capacity, the  
14 emergency medical technician shall be eligible to receive a  
15 retirement benefit unreduced for age after the member has  
16 terminated service.

17 (f) If a member has at least twenty-five years of credited  
18 service on or after July 1, 2007, as a corrections officer, of  
19 which the last five or more years prior to retirement is  
20 credited service in that capacity, the corrections officer shall  
21 be eligible to receive a retirement benefit unreduced for age  
22 after the member has terminated service.



1        [~~f~~] (g) A member may retire upon the written application  
2 to the board, specifying the desired date of retirement, which  
3 shall be not less than thirty days nor more than one hundred  
4 fifty days subsequent to the date of filing. Retirement shall  
5 be effective on the first day of a month, except for the month  
6 of December when retirement on the first or last day of the  
7 month shall be allowed."

8        SECTION 2. Section 88-282, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
9 amended to read as follows:

10        "**§88-282 Service retirement allowance.** Upon retirement  
11 from service, a member shall receive a retirement allowance as  
12 follows:

13        (1) If the member has met the requirements in  
14 section 88-281(a), (b), (d), [~~e~~] (e), or (f), a  
15 maximum retirement allowance of one and one-fourth  
16 per cent of the average final compensation multiplied  
17 by the number of years of credited service; or

18        (2) If the member has met the requirements in  
19 section 88-281(c), an early retirement allowance equal  
20 to the maximum retirement allowance reduced by  
21 one-half per cent for each month the member is less  
22 than age sixty-two at retirement."



1 SECTION 3. Section 88-331, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "[+]§88-331[+] **Service retirement.** (a) A class H member  
4 who has five years of credited service and has attained age  
5 sixty-two, or a class H member with thirty years credited  
6 service who has attained the age of fifty-five shall become  
7 eligible to receive a retirement allowance after the member has  
8 terminated service.

9 (b) A class H member who has at least twenty-five years of  
10 credited service as a sewer worker or water safety officer, of  
11 which the last five or more years prior to retirement is  
12 credited service in that capacity, shall become eligible to  
13 receive a retirement allowance unreduced for age after the  
14 member has terminated service.

15 (c) A class H member who has twenty years of credited  
16 service and has attained age fifty-five shall be eligible to  
17 receive an early retirement allowance reduced for age after the  
18 member has terminated service.

19 (d) If a class H member has at least twenty-eight years of  
20 credited service on or after July 1, 2005; twenty-seven years of  
21 credited service on or after July 1, 2006; twenty-six years of  
22 credited service on or after July 1, 2007; and twenty-five years



1 of credited service on or after July 1, 2008, as an emergency  
2 medical technician, of which the last five or more years prior  
3 to retirement is credited service in that capacity, the member  
4 shall be eligible to receive a retirement benefit unreduced for  
5 age after the member has terminated service.

6 (e) If a class H member has at least twenty-five years of  
7 credited service on or after July 1, 2007, as a corrections  
8 officer, of which the last five or more years prior to  
9 retirement is credited service in that capacity, the corrections  
10 officer shall be eligible to receive a retirement benefit  
11 unreduced for age after the member has terminated service.

12 [~~e~~] (f) A class H member may retire upon the written  
13 application to the system, specifying the desired date of  
14 retirement, which shall be not less than thirty days nor more  
15 than one hundred fifty days subsequent to the date of filing.  
16 Retirement shall be effective on the first day of a month,  
17 except for the month of December when retirement on the first or  
18 last day of the month shall be allowed."

19 SECTION 4. Section 88-332, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
20 amended to read as follows:



1           "§88-332 Service retirement allowance. Upon retirement  
2 from service, a class H member shall receive a maximum  
3 retirement allowance as follows:

4           (1) If the member has met the requirements in  
5 section 88-331(a), (b), [~~e~~] (d), or (e), a maximum  
6 retirement allowance of two per cent of the average  
7 final compensation multiplied by the number of years  
8 of class H credited service, plus a retirement  
9 allowance at the rate of one and one-fourth per cent  
10 of the member's average final compensation multiplied  
11 by the number of years of class C credited service; or

12          (2) If the member has met the requirements in  
13 section 88-331(c), an early retirement allowance equal  
14 to the maximum retirement allowance calculated as  
15 provided in paragraph (1), reduced by 0.4166 per cent  
16 for each month the member is less than age sixty-two  
17 at retirement."

18          SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

20          SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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INTRODUCED BY: 



**Report Title:**

Corrections Officers

**Description:**

Provides corrections officers with similar retirement benefits afforded other law enforcement and safety officers by allowing retirement after 25 years of credited service, unreduced for age. Effective 7/1/2007.

