S.B. NO. 2226-76

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Hawaii.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 88-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 88-51 Membership service generally. Membership service includes

- (1) Service by an employee rendered since becoming a member;
- (2) Service rendered prior to becoming a member but (A) subsequent to January 1, 1926, by an employee of the State or (B) subsequent to January 1, 1928, by an employee of any county;
- (3) Service as an employee of the federal government where the function carried on by said government has been transferred to the State or any county, or where the employee has been transferred to the federal government and subsequently retransferred to the State or any county;
- (4) Service rendered by an employee in the office of the delegate to Congress from Hawaii, or service rendered by an employee in the office of a representative or a senator to Congress from the State; provided that (A) the employee was a member of the system immediately preceding the time he renders such service; (B) the employee reenters the service of the State or county within one year after termination of such service; and (C) the employee has, to the satisfaction of the board of trustees, waived his right to any credit under the Civil Service Retirement Act (5 USCA 2251) based upon such service; provided, further, that credit for such service shall not exceed eight years;
- (5) Service as an employee of the Hawaii territorial guard;
- (6) Service while engaged in professional improvement pursuant to an approved leave of absence for such purpose, with or without pay;
- (7) Service between the years 1941 and 1947 with federal defense agencies, where the employee was employed by the government before the wartime service, went into defense work at the direction of his employer, and returned to government service at the end of the wartime service; provided that these circumstances shall be verified by evidence satisfactory to the board of trustees;
- (8) Service, not exceeding four years, in the military service of the United States during the period 1941-1949 rendered by an employee who was employed by the Territory or county prior to his induction into the military and who subsequently returned to employment of the Territory or county following his discharge;
- (9) Service rendered prior to becoming a member as a full-time employee at the Leahi Hospital or Pahala Hospital, now known as Ka'u General

Hospital [.], <u>Puunene Hospital and Waimea Hospital</u>, <u>Waimea, Kauai.</u>

Membership service shall only be credited for any period for which the member makes the required contributions to the system."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutues need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved May 27, 1976.)