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1.1 A bill for an act
 1.2 relating to retirement; general state employees retirement plan of the Minnesota
 1.3 State Retirement System; clarifying "Rule of 90" eligibility for certain state
 1.4 employees.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. **MSRS-GENERAL RETIREMENT ELIGIBILITY CLARIFICATION;**
 1.7 **SERVICE CREDIT PURCHASE IN CERTAIN INSTANCES.**

1.8 (a) An eligible person described in paragraph (b) is entitled to purchase prior
 1.9 uncredited service credit under paragraph (c) and, if the service credit purchase is made, to
 1.10 have the effective start date for active retirement plan membership of June 30, 1989, and
 1.11 to retire under Minnesota Statutes, section 352.116, subdivision 1.

1.12 (b) An eligible person is a person who:

1.13 (1) was born on July 17, 1964;

1.14 (2) was initially employed by the state of Minnesota as a temporary status laborer
 1.15 general on June 19, 1989;

1.16 (3) became a seasonal status laborer general on August 30, 1989;

1.17 (4) became an unlimited status laborer general on December 12, 1990;

1.18 (5) has received annual statements from the Minnesota State Retirement System

1.19 indicating eligibility for a retirement benefit under Minnesota Statutes, section 352.116,

1.20 subdivision 1, paragraph (b), as of September 1, 2012, including the June 30, 2012, annual
 1.21 statement;

1.22 (6) attended a Minnesota State Retirement System preretirement class in March

1.23 2012 and was individually informed by a Minnesota State Retirement System employee of

2.1 the person's retirement eligibility under Minnesota Statutes, section 352.116, subdivision
2.2 1, paragraph (b); and

2.3 (7) received a letter from the Minnesota State Retirement System on August 16,
2.4 2012, revising the start date for general state employees retirement plan allowable
2.5 service credit from June 19, 1989, to September 27, 1989, and indicating consequent
2.6 inapplicability of Minnesota Statutes, section 352.116, subdivision 1.

2.7 (c) An eligible person may purchase allowable service credit in the general state
2.8 employees retirement plan of the Minnesota State Retirement System for the period June
2.9 30, 1989, to September 26, 1989, under Minnesota Statutes, section 356.551.

2.10 (d) An eligible person who purchased allowable service credit under paragraph
2.11 (c) has a June 30, 1989, start date for allowable service credited by the general state
2.12 employees retirement plan of the Minnesota State Retirement System and is eligible for a
2.13 retirement annuity under Minnesota Statutes, section 352.116, subdivision 1.

2.14 (e) Authority to purchase prior uncredited allowable service credit under this section
2.15 expires on August 1, 2012.

2.16 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2013.