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To amend certain provisions of title 5, United States Code, relating to the age and service requirements for entitlement to an immediate annuity under the Civil Service Retirement System or the Federal Employees' Retirement System, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SHAYS (for himself and Mr. PARKER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, and in addition to the Committee on House Oversight, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To amend certain provisions of title 5, United States Code, relating to the age and service requirements for entitlement to an immediate annuity under the Civil Service Retirement System or the Federal Employees' Retirement System, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the "Federal Retirement
5 Reform Act".

1 **SEC. 2. REVISED AGE AND SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR**
 2 **ENTITLEMENT TO AN IMMEDIATE ANNUITY**
 3 **UNDER CSRS.**

4 (a) AMENDMENT RELATING TO RETIREMENT AT
 5 AGE 55 WITH 30 YEARS OF SERVICE.—Section 8336(a)
 6 of title 5, United States Code, is amended to read as
 7 follows:

8 “(a)(1)(A) An employee who is separated from the
 9 service after attaining the minimum retirement age under
 10 subparagraph (B) and completing 30 years of service is
 11 entitled to an annuity.

12 “(B) The minimum retirement age under this sub-
 13 paragraph shall be determined in accordance with the
 14 following:

“For an individual whose date of birth is in calendar year	The minimum retirement age under this subparagraph is
1943 or earlier	55
1944, 1945 or 1946	56
1947, 1948 or 1949	57
1950, 1951 or 1952	58
1953, 1954 or 1955	59
1956, 1957 or 1958	60
1959, 1960 or 1961	61
1962, 1963 or 1964	62
1965, 1966 or 1967	63
1968, 1969 or 1970	64.

15 “(2) This subsection shall not apply in the case of
 16 any employee whose date of birth is after December 31,
 17 1970.”.

18 (b) AMENDMENT RELATING TO RETIREMENT AT
 19 AGE 60 WITH 20 YEARS OF SERVICE.—Section 8336(b)

1 of title 5, United States Code, is amended to read as
 2 follows:

3 “(b)(1)(A) An employee who is separated from the
 4 service after attaining the minimum retirement age under
 5 subparagraph (B) and completing 20 years of service is
 6 entitled to an annuity.

7 “(B) The minimum retirement age under this sub-
 8 paragraph shall be determined in accordance with the
 9 following:

“For an individual whose date of birth is in calendar year	The minimum retirement age under this subparagraph is
1958 or earlier	60
1959, 1960 or 1961	61.

10 “(2) This subsection shall not apply in the case of
 11 any employee whose date of birth is after December 31,
 12 1961.”

13 (c) AMENDMENT RELATING TO RETIREMENT AT AGE
 14 62 WITH 5 YEARS OF SERVICE.—Section 8336(f) of title
 15 5, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

16 “(f)(1) An employee who is separated from the serv-
 17 ice after attaining the minimum retirement age under
 18 paragraph (2) and completing 5 years of service is entitled
 19 to an annuity.

20 “(2) The minimum retirement age under this para-
 21 graph shall be determined in accordance with the
 22 following:

“For an individual whose date of birth is in calendar year	The minimum retirement age under this paragraph is
1964 or earlier	62
1965, 1966 or 1967	63
1968, 1969 or 1970	64
1971 or later	65.”.

1 (d) REDUCTION FOR EARLY RETIREMENT.—Sub-
2 section (h) of section 8339 of title 5, United States Code,
3 is amended—

4 (1) before the first sentence by striking “(h)”
5 and inserting “(h)(1)”;

6 (2) in the first sentence by striking “55 years
7 of age at the date of separation,” and inserting “the
8 minimum age for an unreduced annuity (as deter-
9 mined under paragraph (2)),”;

10 (3) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(2) The minimum age under this paragraph for an
12 unreduced annuity shall be determined in accordance with
13 the following:

“For an individual whose date of separation (on which entitlement to annuity is based) is in calendar year	The minimum age under this paragraph for an unreduced annuity is
1998 or earlier	55
1999, 2000 or 2001	56
2002, 2003 or 2004	57
2005, 2006 or 2007	58
2008, 2009 or 2010	59
2011, 2012 or 2013	60
2014, 2015 or 2016	61
2017, 2018 or 2019	62
2020, 2021 or 2022	63
2023, 2024 or 2025	64
2026 or later	65.”.

1 **SEC. 3. REVISED AGE AND SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR**
 2 **ENTITLEMENT TO AN IMMEDIATE ANNUITY**
 3 **UNDER FERS.**

4 (a) AMENDMENT RELATING TO RETIREMENT AT
 5 AGE 55 TO 57 WITH 30 YEARS OF SERVICE.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 8412(a) of title 5,
 7 United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

8 “(a)(1)(A) An employee or Member who is separated
 9 from the service after attaining the minimum retirement
 10 age under subparagraph (B) and completing 30 years of
 11 service is entitled to an annuity.

12 “(B) The minimum retirement age under this sub-
 13 paragraph shall be determined in accordance with the
 14 following:

“For an individual whose date of birth is in calendar year	The minimum retirement age under this subparagraph is
1943 or earlier	55
1944, 1945 or 1946	56
1947, 1948 or 1949	57
1950, 1951 or 1952	58
1953, 1954 or 1955	59
1956, 1957 or 1958	60
1959, 1960 or 1961	61
1962, 1963 or 1964	62
1965, 1966 or 1967	63
1968, 1969 or 1970	64.

15 “(2) This subsection shall not apply in the case of
 16 an employee or Member whose date of birth is after De-
 17 cember 31, 1970.”.

18 (2) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMEND-
 19 MENTS.—

1 (A) Section 8412(h) of title 5, United
 2 States Code, is repealed.

3 (B) Sections 8421(a)(2),
 4 8421a(b)(4)(B)(ii), and 8442(c)(2) of title 5,
 5 United States Code, are each amended by strik-
 6 ing “8412(h)” each place it appears and insert-
 7 ing “8412(a)(1)(B)”.

8 (b) AMENDMENT RELATING TO RETIREMENT AT
 9 AGE 60 WITH 20 YEARS OF SERVICE.—Section 8412(b)
 10 of title 5, United States Code, is amended to read as
 11 follows:

12 “(b)(1)(A) An employee or Member who is separated
 13 from the service after attaining the minimum retirement
 14 age under subparagraph (B) and completing 20 years of
 15 service is entitled to an annuity.

16 “(B) The minimum retirement age under this sub-
 17 paragraph shall be determined in accordance with the
 18 following:

“For an individual whose date of birth is in calendar year	The minimum retirement age under this subparagraph is
1958 or earlier	60
1959, 1960 or 1961	61.

19 “(2) This subsection shall not apply in the case of
 20 any employee or Member whose date of birth is after De-
 21 cember 31, 1961.”.

1 (c) AMENDMENT RELATING TO RETIREMENT AT AGE
 2 62 WITH 5 YEARS OF SERVICE.—Section 8412(c) of title
 3 5, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

4 “(c)(1) An employee or Member who is separated
 5 from the service after attaining the minimum retirement
 6 age under paragraph (2) and completing 5 years of service
 7 is entitled to an annuity.

8 “(2) The minimum retirement age under this para-
 9 graph shall be determined in accordance with the follow-
 10 ing:

“For an individual whose date of birth is in calendar year	The minimum retirement age under this paragraph is
1964 or earlier	62
1965, 1966 or 1967	63
1968, 1969 or 1970	64
1971 or later	65.”.

11 (d) REDUCTION FOR EARLY RETIREMENT.—Sub-
 12 section (f)(1) of section 8415 of title 5, United States
 13 Code, is amended—

14 (1) before the first sentence by striking “(f)(1)”
 15 and inserting “(f)(1)(A)”;

16 (2) by striking “the sixty-second anniversary of
 17 the birth of the employee or Member” and inserting
 18 “the date as of which the employee or Member at-
 19 tains the minimum age for an unreduced annuity (as
 20 determined under subparagraph (B))”; and

21 (3) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(B) The minimum age under this subparagraph for
 2 an unreduced annuity shall be determined in accordance
 3 with the following:

“For an individual whose date of separation (on which entitlement to annuity is based) is in calendar year	The minimum age under this subparagraph for an unreduced annuity is
2019 or earlier	62
2020, 2021 or 2022	63
2023, 2024 or 2025	64
2026 or later	65.”.

4 **SEC. 4. PROVISIONS RELATING TO AGE AND SERVICE RE-**
 5 **QUIREMENTS SPECIFIC TO MEMBERS OF**
 6 **CONGRESS.**

7 (a) CSRS.—

8 (1) AGE AND SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR EN-
 9 TITLEMENT TO AN IMMEDIATE ANNUITY.—Section
 10 8336(g) of title 5, United States Code, is amended
 11 to read as follows:

12 “(g)(1)(A) A Member who is separated from the serv-
 13 ice after attaining the minimum retirement age under sub-
 14 paragraph (B) and completing 5 years of civilian service
 15 is entitled to an annuity.

16 “(B) The minimum retirement age under this sub-
 17 paragraph shall be determined in accordance with sub-
 18 section (f)(2).

19 “(2)(A) A Member who is separated from the service
 20 after attaining the minimum retirement age under sub-

1 paragraph (B) and completing 10 years of Member service
2 is entitled to an annuity.

3 “(B) The minimum retirement age under this sub-
4 paragraph shall be determined in accordance with the
5 following:

“For a Member whose date of birth is in calendar year	The minimum retirement age under this subparagraph is
1955 or earlier	60
1956, 1957 or 1958	61.

6 “(C) This paragraph shall not apply in the case of
7 a Member whose date of birth is after December 31, 1958.

8 “(3)(A) A Member who is separated from the service
9 after attaining the minimum retirement age under sub-
10 paragraph (B) (but before becoming 60 years of age) and
11 completing 30 years of service is entitled to a reduced
12 annuity.

13 “(B) The minimum retirement age under this sub-
14 paragraph shall be determined in accordance with section
15 8336(a)(1)(B), except that this paragraph shall not apply
16 in the case of any Member whose date of birth is after
17 December 31, 1955.

18 “(4)(A) A Member who is separated from the service,
19 except by resignation or expulsion, after completing the
20 minimum years of service under subparagraph (B) or after
21 attaining the minimum retirement age under subpara-
22 graph (C) and (i) completing 20 years of service, or (ii)
23 serving in 9 Congresses is entitled to an annuity.

1 “(B)(i) The minimum years of service under this sub-
 2 paragraph shall be determined in accordance with the
 3 following:

“For a Member whose date of separation (on which entitlement to annuity is based) is in calendar year	The minimum years of service under this subparagraph is
1998 or earlier	25
1999, 2000 or 2001	26
2002, 2003 or 2004	27
2005, 2006 or 2007	28
2008, 2009 or 2010	29
2011, 2012 or 2013	30
2014, 2015 or 2016	31
2017, 2018 or 2019	32
2020, 2021 or 2022	33
2023, 2024 or 2025	34.

4 “(ii) This subparagraph shall not apply in the case
 5 of any Member whose date of separation (on which entitle-
 6 ment to annuity is based) occurs after December 31,
 7 2025.

8 “(C)(i) The minimum retirement age under this sub-
 9 paragraph shall be determined in accordance with the
 10 following:

“For a Member whose date of birth is in calendar year	The minimum retirement age under this subparagraph is
1948 or earlier	50
1949, 1950 or 1951	51
1952, 1953 or 1954	52
1955, 1956 or 1957	53
1958, 1959 or 1960	54
1961, 1962 or 1963	55
1964, 1965 or 1966	56
1967, 1968 or 1969	57
1970	58.

11 “(ii) This subparagraph shall not apply in the case
 12 of any Member whose date of birth is after December 31,
 13 1970.”

1 (2) REDUCTION FOR EARLY RETIREMENT.—
 2 Subsection (h) of section 8339 of title 5, United
 3 States Code, as amended by section 2(d), is further
 4 amended—

5 (A) in the second sentence of paragraph
 6 (1) (as so designated by section 2(d)) by strik-
 7 ing “60 years of age at the date of separation.”
 8 and inserting “the minimum age for an
 9 unreduced annuity (as determined under para-
 10 graph (3)).”; and

11 (B) by adding after paragraph (2) (as
 12 added by section 2(d)) the following:

13 “(3) The minimum age under this paragraph for an
 14 unreduced annuity shall be determined in accordance with
 15 the following:

“For a Member whose date of separation (on which entitlement to annuity is based) is in calendar year	The minimum age under this paragraph for an unreduced annuity is
2013 or earlier	60
2014, 2015 or 2016	61
2017, 2018 or 2019	62
2020, 2021 or 2022	63
2023, 2024 or 2025	64
2026 or later	65.”.

16 (b) FERS.—Section 8412(f) of title 5, United States
 17 Code, is amended to read as follows:

18 “(f)(1) A Member who is separated from the service,
 19 except by resignation or expulsion, after—

1 “(A) completing the minimum years of service
2 under paragraph (2), or

3 “(B) attaining the minimum retirement age
4 under paragraph (3) and completing 20 years of
5 service,

6 is entitled to an annuity.

7 “(2) The minimum years of service under this para-
8 graph shall be determined in accordance with section
9 8336(g)(4)(B).

10 “(3) The minimum retirement age under this para-
11 graph shall be determined in accordance with section
12 8336(g)(4)(C).”.

13 **SEC. 5. DEFERRED RETIREMENT.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—

15 (1) CSRS.—Section 8338 of title 5, United
16 States Code, is amended by striking subsections (a)
17 and (b) and inserting the following:

18 “(a)(1) An employee who is separated from the serv-
19 ice or transferred to a position in which such employee
20 does not continue subject to this subchapter after complet-
21 ing 5 years of civilian service is entitled to an annuity be-
22 ginning at the age determined under paragraph (2).

23 “(2) The age at which entitlement to an annuity
24 under this subsection begins shall be determined in ac-
25 cordance with section 8336(f)(2).

1 “(b)(1)(A) A Member who, after December 31, 1956,
2 and before January 1, 1999, is separated from the service
3 as a Member after completing 5 years of civilian service
4 is entitled to an annuity beginning at the age of 62 years.

5 “(B)(i) A Member who, after December 31, 1998, is
6 separated from the service as a Member after completing
7 5 years of civilian service is entitled to an annuity begin-
8 ning at the age determined under clause (ii).

9 “(ii) The age at which entitlement to an annuity
10 under this subparagraph begins shall be determined in ac-
11 cordance with section 8336(g)(1)(B).

12 “(2)(A) A Member who is separated from the service
13 after completing 10 or more years of Member service is
14 entitled to an annuity beginning at the age determined
15 under subparagraph (B).

16 “(B) The age at which entitlement to an annuity
17 under this paragraph begins shall be determined in ac-
18 cordance with section 8336(g)(2)(C).

19 “(C) This paragraph shall not apply in the case of
20 a Member whose date of birth is after December 31, 1958.

21 “(3)(A) A Member who is separated from the service
22 after completing 20 or more years of service, including 10
23 or more years of Member service, is entitled to a reduced
24 annuity beginning at the age determined under subpara-
25 graph (B).

1 “(B) The age at which entitlement to an annuity
2 under this paragraph begins shall be determined in ac-
3 cordance with section 8336(g)(4)(C).

4 “(C) This paragraph shall not apply in the case of
5 a Member whose date of birth is after December 31,
6 1970.”.

7 (2) FERS.—Section 8413(a) of title 5, United
8 States Code, is amended to read as follows:

9 “(a)(1) An employee or Member who is separated
10 from the service, or transferred to a position in which the
11 employee or Member does not continue subject to this
12 chapter, after completing 5 years of service is entitled to
13 an annuity beginning at the age determined under para-
14 graph (2).

15 “(2) The age at which entitlement to an annuity
16 under this subsection begins shall be determined in ac-
17 cordance with section 8412(c)(2).”.

18 (b) FERS ANNUITIES WITH A RIGHT TO DEFER
19 COMMENCEMENT DATE.—

20 (1) IMMEDIATE ANNUITY.—Section 8412(g) of
21 title 5, United States Code, is amended to read as
22 follows:

23 “(g)(1)(A) An employee or Member who is separated
24 from the service after attaining the minimum retirement
25 age under subparagraph (B) and completing 10 years of

1 service is entitled to an annuity. This subsection shall not
2 apply to an employee or Member who is entitled to an an-
3 nuity under any other provision of this section.

4 “(B) The minimum retirement age under this sub-
5 paragraph shall be determined in accordance with sub-
6 section (a)(1)(B), except that this subsection shall not
7 apply in the case of any employee or Member whose date
8 of birth is after December 31, 1970.

9 “(2)(A) An employee or Member entitled to an annu-
10 ity under this subsection may defer the commencement of
11 such annuity by written election. The date to which the
12 commencement of the annuity is deferred may not precede
13 the 31st day after the date of filing the election, and must
14 precede the date on which the employee or Member attains
15 the age determined under subparagraph (B).

16 “(B) The applicable age under this subparagraph
17 shall be determined in accordance with subsection (c)(2).

18 “(3) The Office shall prescribe regulations under
19 which an election under paragraph (2) shall be made.”.

20 (2) DEFERRED ANNUITY.—Section 8413(b)(1)
21 of title 5, United States Code, is amended to read
22 as follows:

23 “(b)(1)(A) An employee or Member who is separated
24 from the service, or transferred to a position in which the
25 employee or Member does not continue subject to this

1 chapter, after completing 10 years of service but before
2 attaining the minimum retirement age under subpara-
3 graph (B) is entitled to an annuity beginning on the date
4 designated by the employee or Member in a written elec-
5 tion under this subsection. The date designated under this
6 subsection may not precede the date on which the em-
7 ployee or Member attains such minimum retirement age
8 and must precede the date on which the employee or Mem-
9 ber attains the age determined under subparagraph (C).

10 “(B) The minimum retirement age under this sub-
11 paragraph shall be determined in accordance with section
12 8412(a)(1)(B), except that this paragraph shall not apply
13 in the case of any employee or Member whose date of birth
14 is after December 31, 1970.

15 “(C) The applicable age under this subparagraph
16 shall be determined in accordance with section
17 8412(c)(2).”.

18 **SEC. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE; EXEMPTIONS.**

19 (a) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendments made by
20 this Act shall take effect on January 1, 1999.

21 (b) **EXEMPTIONS.**—

22 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The amendments made by
23 this Act shall not apply to any individual—

1 (A) who is separated from the Federal
2 Government before the effective date of this Act
3 and who is entitled, before such date—

4 (i) to an immediate annuity under
5 section 8336 (other than section 8336(d)
6 or (h)) or 8412 of title 5, United States
7 Code; or

8 (ii) to a deferred annuity under sec-
9 tion 8338 or 8413 of title 5, United States
10 Code; or

11 (B) who, on such date, meets the age and
12 service requirements for entitlement to an im-
13 mediate or deferred annuity referred to in sub-
14 paragraph (A).

15 (2) CLARIFYING PROVISIONS.—

16 (A) FACTORS NOT TO BE CONSIDERED.—
17 Any determination under paragraph (1)(B)—

18 (i) as to an individual's years of cred-
19 itable service shall be made without regard
20 to—

21 (I) any deposit or redeposit re-
22 quirement; or

23 (II) any requirement under sub-
24 chapter III of chapter 83 of title 5,
25 United States Code, that an individual

1 give written notice of such individual's
2 desire to become subject to that sub-
3 chapter or that an individual become
4 subject to such subchapter after per-
5 forming the service involved; and

6 (ii) shall be made without regard to
7 any requirement that is not an age or serv-
8 ice requirement (as identified under regu-
9 lations which the Office of Personnel Man-
10 agement shall prescribe).

11 (B) EFFECT OF A SUBSEQUENT
12 CHANGE.—The exemption under this subsection
13 shall not result in an individual becoming enti-
14 tled to an immediate annuity based on a sepa-
15 ration from a position different from the one
16 held at the time of qualifying for such exemp-
17 tion, unless such individual would then be so
18 entitled (other than by reason of early or dis-
19 ability retirement) if this Act had not been en-
20 acted. For purposes of this subparagraph,
21 “early retirement” means retirement under sec-
22 tion 8336(d) or (h) or section 8414 of title 5,
23 United States Code.

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