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Senator Burns

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 11-263, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO COUNTY
EMPLOYEE INSURANCE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 11-263, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 11-263. Authorization to procure insurance for county employees
5 and dependents; expenditure of public funds; employee
6 payments; retired county employees; group health and
7 accident coverage; public funds authorization

8 A. The board of supervisors may adopt a system of insurance for the
9 benefit of county elected officials and employees. The board may procure
10 health, life, accident and disability insurance for the benefit of such
11 elected officials and employees from any insurer licensed to do business in
12 the state of Arizona and pay the whole or any part of the premiums upon such
13 insurance from public funds. Public funds shall not be spent for life
14 insurance in excess of fifty thousand dollars or the amount of the salary
15 annually paid to the elected official or employee, whichever is more. The
16 board may procure health and accident coverage for the dependents of such
17 elected officials and employees and pay all or any part of the premium upon
18 the insurance from public funds. The board may deduct from the compensation
19 of such employees and elected officials, and apply to the payment of such
20 premiums, that part thereof determined by the board to be payable by the
21 employees and elected officials. Such deductions shall be made only from
22 those employees and elected officials who have voluntarily agreed in writing
23 to participate in the program.

24 B. The board of supervisors may enter into agreements to establish
25 group health and accident coverage for former county employees who are
26 retired and receiving income from a retirement program of this state and
27 their dependents. The agreements may provide that all or any portion of the
28 former employees or their dependents may be grouped with officers and
29 employees of the county or their dependents as necessary to obtain health and
30 accident coverage at favorable rates.

31 C. The ARIZONA state retirement system board is authorized to enter
32 into agreements with retired county employees who elect to obtain the
33 coverage provided in subsection B. Such agreements may include provision for
34 the deduction from the retirement benefits of participants of a retirement
35 program of this state who elect to obtain such coverage of amounts sufficient
36 to pay for the premium and administrative expense of providing such coverage.

37 D. Public funds shall not be expended to pay all or any part of the
38 premium of insurance pursuant to subsection B, except that in a county with a
39 population of more than three hundred thousand persons, public funds may be
40 expended to pay all or any part of the premium of insurance pursuant to
41 subsection B.