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**"AN ACT CONCERNING CREDIT IN THE MUNICIPAL
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR SERVICE DURING THE
VIETNAM ERA."**

1 After the last section, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 2. Subsection (i) of section 5-259 of the general statutes, as
3 amended by section 1 of public act 01-30, is repealed and the following
4 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):

5 (i) The Comptroller may provide for coverage of municipal
6 employees or employees of nonprofit corporations under the plan or
7 plans procured under subsection (a) of this section, provided: (1)
8 Participation by each municipal employer or nonprofit corporation
9 shall be on a voluntary basis; (2) where an employee organization
10 represents employees in a municipality or nonprofit corporation,
11 participation in a plan or plans to be procured under subsection (a) of
12 this section shall be by mutual agreement of the municipal employer
13 and the employee organization only and neither party may submit the
14 issue of participation to binding arbitration except by mutual

15 agreement; (3) no group of employees shall be refused entry into the
16 plan by reason of past or future health care costs or claim experience;
17 (4) rates paid by the state for its employees under subsection (a) of this
18 section are not adversely affected by this subsection; (5) administrative
19 costs to the plan or plans provided under this subsection shall be paid
20 by the participating municipality or nonprofit corporation at no
21 additional cost to the state; and (6) participation in the plan or plans in
22 an amount determined by the state shall be for the duration of the
23 period of the plan or plans, or for such other period as mutually
24 agreed by the municipality or nonprofit corporation and the
25 Comptroller. The Comptroller, with the approval of the Secretary of
26 the Office of Policy and Management, may arrange and procure for the
27 employees under this subsection health benefit plans that vary from
28 the plan or plans procured under subsection (a) of this section. Such
29 alternate plans may be offered to municipal employees on a fully
30 underwritten basis only. Notwithstanding any provision of law, such
31 alternate plan may be offered to employees of nonprofit corporations
32 on either a fully underwritten or risk-pooled basis at the discretion of
33 the Comptroller. For the purposes of this subsection, (A)
34 "municipality" means any town, city, borough, school district, taxing
35 district, fire district, district department of health, probate district,
36 housing authority, regional work force development board established
37 under section 31-3k, as amended, regional emergency
38 telecommunications center, tourism district established under section
39 32-302, flood commission or authority established by special act,
40 regional planning agency, transit district formed under chapter 103a,
41 or the Children's Center established by number 571 of the public acts
42 of 1969; and (B) "nonprofit corporation" means a nonprofit corporation
43 organized under 26 USC 501(c)(3) that has a contract with the state."