

2021 Kansas Statutes

74-4919. Member contributions; deductions; disposition; interest; employer pickup of member contributions. (1) Except as otherwise provided, each participating employer, beginning with the first payroll for services performed after the entry date, shall deduct from the compensation of each member 4% of such member's compensation as employee contributions. Subject to any election made pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,135, and amendments thereto, each participating employer, for services performed by an employee first employed prior to July 1, 2009, shall deduct from the compensation of each member, the following amounts expressed as a percentage of compensation during the following periods: (a) Commencing January 1, 2014, for members who elected to receive an amount for participating service equal to the total of 1.4% of such member's final average salary, 4% of such member's compensation as employee contributions, and (b) commencing January 1, 2014, for members who elected to receive an amount for participating service equal to the total of 1.85% of such member's final average salary, who did not make an election pursuant to K.S.A. 74-49,135, and amendments thereto, or if the federal internal revenue service fails to grant an approval or issues an adverse decision as described in K.S.A. 74-49,135, and amendments thereto, 5% of such member's compensation as employee contributions, and commencing January 1, 2015, and in each subsequent calendar year, 6% of such member's compensation as employee contributions. Such deductions shall be remitted quarterly, or as the board may otherwise provide, to the executive director for deposit in the Kansas public employees retirement fund. Such deductions shall be credited to the members' individual accounts and interest shall be added annually to such accounts.

(2) (a) Subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-49,123, and amendments thereto, each participating employer, pursuant to the provisions of section 414(h)(2) of the federal internal revenue code, shall pick up and pay the contributions which would otherwise be payable by members as prescribed in subsection (1) commencing with the third quarter of 1984. The contributions so picked up shall be treated as employer contributions for purposes of determining the amounts of federal income taxes to withhold from the member's compensation.

(b) Member contributions picked up by the employer shall be paid from the same source of funds used for the payment of compensation to a member. A deduction shall be made from each member's compensation equal to the amount of the member's contributions picked up by the employer, provided that such deduction shall not reduce the member's compensation for purposes of computing benefits under the system.

(c) Member contributions picked up by the employer shall be remitted quarterly, or as the board may otherwise provide, to the executive director for credit to the Kansas public employees retirement fund. Such contributions shall be credited to a separate account within the member's individual account so that amounts contributed by the member commencing with the third quarter of 1984 may be distinguished from the member contributions picked up by the employer. Interest shall be added annually to members' individual accounts.

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