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## Overview

Amends eligibility for the state employees long-term care insurance program.

- 1 **Eligible person.** Makes the following changes in eligibility for the state employees long-term care insurance program:
  - Changes terminology referring to current state employees and elected officials to include anyone who is eligible for state-paid insurance and benefits (this replaces the references in current law to "an active member of a public pension plan of the state" and to "an employee or elected official who is not eligible for participation in a public employee pension plan of the state").
  - Includes a person (and the person's spouse) who at the time of separation from state employment was eligible to purchase state insurance coverage at personal expense. This includes a person who has five years of service and is at least 55 years old, and a person who has 15 years of service and is at least 50 years old.
  - Strikes reference to a parent of a former state employee (but retains reference to a parent of a current state employee).
- 2 **Effective date.** Effective immediately, and applies to people who already have left state employment.