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Reinstatement of members on leave of absence to United States employment service.

Sec. 145.42. Members of the public employees retirement system on leave of absence as provided in section 145.41 of the Revised Code who are employees of the United States *** employment service at the time of the return of these functions to the state, or who reach retirement age prior to such time, or who return to the state service prior to the return of the employment service, may be permitted to pay into the retirement fund the amount, with interest, they would have paid *** during such a period of employment at the member contribution rate in effect at the time of payment, plus interest at the rate quaranteed to members at retirement. In addition, a member making such an optional payment shall pay a like amount into the employers' accumulation fund. When a member has made the payments provided in this section he shall receive credit for the service covered by such payments. Those who withdrew their accumulated contributions from the system at the time of their separation from the state service, may *** make a redeposit as provided in section 145.31 of the Revised Code, and thereafter be entitled to all the benefits of sections 145.01 to 145.57, inclusive, of the Revised Code.