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**OLR Bill Analysis**

**sHB 5172**

***AN ACT CONCERNING REEMPLOYMENT AND THE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.***

**SUMMARY**

Under current law, a retiree of the Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement System (CMERS) cannot receive pension payments if he or she is re-employed with a CMERS town for more than 20 hours per week or 90 days per year.

This bill allows them to be re-employed with a CMERS town for any amount of time and receive pension payments, so long as they do not participate (i.e., receive credit) in the retirement system during this period of re-employment. (In practice, these retirees who are re-employed part time do not receive credit for the period of re-employment.)

The bill also explicitly permits retired CMERS members of a police or fire department to accept employment with any participating school district, including a regional district, in a public safety position and continue to receive pension payments as long as they do not further participate in CMERS and earn additional retirement credit.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2022

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 26 Nay 0 (03/18/2022)