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SYNOPSIS:

There is no state law that automatically terminates a teacher's or other school employee's retirement benefits if the teacher or school employee is convicted of a sexual offense involving a student or minor.

This bill would automatically terminate the right to a pension or any other retirement benefit under the Teachers' Retirement System of Alabama or any amount attributable to an employer contribution under a defined contribution plan for any teacher or school employee convicted of certain sex offenses involving a student or minor.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to crimes committed by school employees; to terminate the right to state retirement benefits for teachers or school employees convicted of certain sex offenses involving a student or minor.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) Commencing on July 1, 2024, an



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29 individual convicted of any crime set forth in Article 4A of
30 Chapter 6 or Division 4 of Article 4 of Chapter 12 of Title
31 13A, Code of Alabama 1975, shall forfeit his or her right to
32 any pension, annuity, retirement allowance, amount
33 attributable to the employer contribution to a defined
34 contribution plan, or any other right or benefit accrued or
35 accruing to that individual under Chapter 25 or 25C of Title
36 16, Code of Alabama 1975.

37 (b) Upon conviction of a crime described in subsection
38 (a), the convicting court shall notify the Board of Control of
39 the Teachers' Retirement System of Alabama of the conviction.
40 The Board of Control may stay any proceeding to terminate an
41 individual's benefits forfeited under subsection (a) until an
42 appeal of the conviction is concluded or the time for appeal
43 expires.

44 Section 2. This act shall become effective on July 1,
45 2024.