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TITLE 5--GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION AND EMPLOYEES

PART III--EMPLOYEES

Subpart G--Insurance and Annuities

CHAPTER 84--FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

SUBCHAPTER II--BASIC ANNUITY

Sec. 8412. Immediate retirement

- (a) An employee or Member who is separated from the service after attaining the applicable minimum retirement age under subsection (h) and
- completing 30 years of service is entitled to an annuity.
- (b) An employee or Member who is separated from the service after becoming 60 years of age and completing 20 years of service is entitled

to an annuity.

- (c) An employee or Member who is separated from the service after becoming 62 years of age and completing 5 years of service is entitled
- to an annuity.
- (d) An employee who is separated from the service, except by removal

for cause on charges of misconduct or delinquency--

- (1) after completing 25 years of service as a law enforcement officer, member of the Capitol Police or Supreme Court Police, firefighter, or nuclear materials courier, or any combination of such service totaling at least 25 years, or
- (2) after becoming 50 years of age and completing 20 years of service as a law enforcement officer, member of the Capitol Police

or Supreme Court Police, firefighter, or nuclear materials courier,

or any combination of such service totaling at least 20 years,

is entitled to an annuity.

- (e) An employee who is separated from the service, except by removal
- for cause on charges of misconduct or delinquency--
 - (1) after completing 25 years of service as an air traffic controller, or
 - (2) after becoming 50 years of age and completing 20 years of service as an air traffic controller,

is entitled to an annuity.

- (f) A Member who is separated from the service, except by resignation or expulsion--
 - (1) after completing 25 years of service, or
 - (2) after becoming 50 years of age and completing 20 years of service,

is entitled to an annuity.

- (g)(1) An employee or Member who is separated from the service after
- attaining the applicable minimum retirement age under subsection (h) and
- completing 10 years of service is entitled to an annuity. This subsection shall not apply to an employee or Member who is entitled to
- an annuity under any other provision of this section.
- (2) An employee or Member entitled to an annuity under this subsection may defer the commencement of such annuity by written election. The date to which the commencement of the annuity is deferred
- may not precede the 31st day after the date of filing the election, and
- must precede the date on which the employee or Member becomes 62 years of age.
- (3) The Office shall prescribe regulations under which an election
- under paragraph (2) shall be made.
- (h)(1) The applicable minimum retirement age under this subsection