Reemployment procedures for retirees other than retirees who elected to retire under a university of Akron early retirement incentive program for all employees other than bargaining unit faculty.

This rule shall apply to all employees other than members of a bargaining unit in which an agreement governs the reemployment of retirees.

- (A) Am. Sub. Senate Bill 144, effective September 14, 2000, and other relevant sections of the Revised Code facilitate the reemployment of qualified STRS Ohio benefit recipients by removing past restrictions on this process. These changes to Ohio law permit qualified retirees from the university of Akron the opportunity to retire and begin receiving their personal annuity benefits and be reemployed full-time with the university of Akron at no additional cost to the university of Akron.
- (B) Full-time university of Akron employees other than members of a bargaining unit who are eligible to retire from an Ohio pension system affected by the enactment of Am. Sub. Senate Bill 144 may seek an agreement with the university of Akron, in advance of retirement, to be reemployed full- or part-time with the university of Akron as permitted by law in the same or similar position following retirement, without the necessity of a formal search process under the university's affirmative action plan. All such agreements shall be reduced to writing and shall be subject to prior approval by the board of trustees. This rule shall not be deemed to obligate the board to approve any such agreement or to create any right to such reemployment or expectancy of reemployment or expectancy of any right to reemployment for any employee or retiree of the university of Akron.
- (C) Such reemployment agreements, in the case of tenured or tenure-track faculty, shall expressly provide that tenure and any right or expectancy to obtain tenure shall terminate upon the employee's retirement; and any such reemployment with the university of Akron thereafter shall not include any grant of tenure or any expectancy or other entitlement whatsoever to obtain tenure as a result of reemployment or otherwise. Any period of reemployment shall not count or in any way be used to count toward the obtainment of tenure at the university of Akron. The reemployed retiree shall be entitled to retain the appropriate academic rank achieved upon retirement.
- (D) Unless otherwise approved by the board of trustees, such reemployment agreements shall include the following in addition to any other specific provisions that may be included in any agreement:

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- (2) State teachers retirement system (STRS).
 - (a) The university of Akron may employ a superannuate or other system retirant as a teacher. (division (B) of section 3307.35 of the Revised Code).
 - (b) Any superannuate or other system retirant employed as a teacher at the university of Akron shall contribute to the state teachers retirement system. (division (C) of section 3307.35 of the Revised Code).

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