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AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by changing Sections 1-113.2, 3-111, 3-111.1, 3-112, 3-125, 4-109, 4-109.1, 4-114, 4-118, 5-167.1, 5-168, 6-164, 6-165, and 7-142.1 and by adding Sections 1-113.4a, 1-165, 5-238, and 6-229 as follows:

(40 ILCS 5/1-113.2)

Sec. 1-113.2. List of permitted investments for all Article 3 or 4 pension funds. Any pension fund established under Article 3 or 4 may invest in the following items:

(1) Interest bearing direct obligations of the United States of America.

(2) Interest bearing obligations to the extent that they are fully guaranteed or insured as to payment of principal and interest by the United States of America.

(3) Interest bearing bonds, notes, debentures, or other similar obligations of agencies of the United States of America. For the purposes of this Section, "agencies of the United States of America" includes: (i) the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Student Loan Marketing Association; (ii) federal land banks, federal intermediate

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credit banks, federal farm credit banks, and any other entity authorized to issue direct debt obligations of the United States of America under the Farm Credit Act of 1971 or amendments to that Act; (iii) federal home loan banks and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; and (iv) any agency created by Act of Congress that is authorized to issue direct debt obligations of the United States of America.

(4) Interest bearing savings accounts or certificates of deposit, issued by federally chartered banks or savings and loan associations, to the extent that the deposits are insured by agencies or instrumentalities of the federal government.

(5) Interest bearing savings accounts or certificates of deposit, issued by State of Illinois chartered banks or savings and loan associations, to the extent that the deposits are insured by agencies or instrumentalities of the federal government.

(6) Investments in credit unions, to the extent that the investments are insured by agencies or instrumentalities of the federal government.

(7) Interest bearing bonds of the State of Illinois.

(8) Pooled interest bearing accounts managed by the Illinois Public Treasurer's Investment Pool in accordance with the Deposit of State Moneys Act, and interest bearing funds or pooled accounts of the Illinois Metropolitan Investment Funds, and interest bearing funds or pooled accounts managed, operated, and administered by banks, subsidiaries of banks, or

subsidiaries of bank holding companies in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois.

(9) Interest bearing bonds or tax anticipation warrants of any county, township, or municipal corporation of the State of Illinois.

(10) Direct obligations of the State of Israel, subject to the conditions and limitations of item (5.1) of Section 1-113.

(11) Money market mutual funds managed by investment companies that are registered under the federal Investment Company Act of 1940 and the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 and are diversified, open-ended management investment companies; provided that the portfolio of the money market mutual fund is limited to the following:

(i) bonds, notes, certificates of indebtedness, treasury bills, or other securities that are guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America as to principal and interest;

(ii) bonds, notes, debentures, or other similar obligations of the United States of America or its agencies; and

(iii) short term obligations of corporations organized in the United States with assets exceeding \$400,000,000, provided that (A) the obligations mature no later than 180 days from the date of purchase, (B) at the time of purchase, the obligations are rated by at least 2 standard national rating services at one of their 3 highest

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classifications, and (C) the obligations held by the mutual fund do not exceed 10% of the corporation's outstanding obligations.

(12) General accounts of life insurance companies authorized to transact business in Illinois.

(13) Any combination of the following, not to exceed 10% of the pension fund's net assets:

 (i) separate accounts that are managed by life insurance companies authorized to transact business in Illinois and are comprised of diversified portfolios consisting of common or preferred stocks, bonds, or money market instruments;

(ii) separate accounts that are managed by insurance companies authorized to transact business in Illinois, and are comprised of real estate or loans upon real estate secured by first or second mortgages; and

(iii) mutual funds that meet the following requirements:

(A) the mutual fund is managed by an investment company as defined and registered under the federal Investment Company Act of 1940 and registered under the Illinois Securities Law of 1953;

(B) the mutual fund has been in operation for at least 5 years;

(C) the mutual fund has total net assets of \$250 million or more; and

(D) the mutual fund is comprised of diversified portfolios of common or preferred stocks, bonds, or money market instruments.

(14) Corporate bonds managed through an investment advisor must meet all of the following requirements:

(1) The bonds must be rated as investment grade by one of the 2 largest rating services at the time of purchase.

(2) If subsequently downgraded below investment grade, the bonds must be liquidated from the portfolio within 90 days after being downgraded by the manager.

(Source: P.A. 90-507, eff. 8-22-97; 91-887, eff. 7-6-00.)

(40 ILCS 5/1-113.4a new)

Sec. 1-113.4a. List of additional permitted investments for Article 3 and 4 pension funds with net assets of \$10,000,000 or more.

(a) In addition to the items in Sections 1-113.2 and 1-113.3, a pension fund established under Article 3 or 4 that has net assets of at least \$10,000,000 and has appointed an investment adviser, as defined under Sections 1-101.4 and 1-113.5, may, through that investment adviser, invest an additional portion of its assets in common and preferred stocks and mutual funds.

(b) The stocks must meet all of the following requirements: (1) The common stocks must be listed on a national securities exchange or board of trade (as defined in the

Federal Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and set forth in paragraph G of Section 3 of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953) or quoted in the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotation System National Market System.

(2) The securities must be of a corporation in existence for at least 5 years.

(3) The market value of stock in any one corporation may not exceed 5% of the cash and invested assets of the pension fund, and the investments in the stock of any one corporation may not exceed 5% of the total outstanding stock of that corporation.

(4) The straight preferred stocks or convertible preferred stocks must be issued or guaranteed by a corporation whose common stock qualifies for investment by the board.

(c) The mutual funds must meet the following requirements:

(1) The mutual fund must be managed by an investment company registered under the Federal Investment Company Act of 1940 and registered under the Illinois Securities Law of 1953.

(2) The mutual fund must have been in operation for at least 5 years.

(3) The mutual fund must have total net assets of \$250,000,000 or more.

(4) The mutual fund must be comprised of a diversified portfolio of common or preferred stocks, bonds, or money

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market instruments.

(d) A pension fund's total investment in the items authorized under this Section and Section 1-113.3 shall not exceed 50% effective July 1, 2011 and 55% effective July 1, 2012 of the market value of the pension fund's net present assets stated in its most recent annual report on file with the Department of Insurance.

(e) A pension fund that invests funds under this Section shall electronically file with the Division any reports of its investment activities that the Division may require, at the time and in the format required by the Division.

(40 ILCS 5/1-165 new)

Sec. 1-165. Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability study. The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability shall conduct a study on the feasibility of:

(1) the creation of an investment pool to supplement and enhance the investment opportunities available to boards of trustees of the pension funds organized under Articles 3 and 4 of this Code; the study shall include an analysis on any cost or cost savings associated with establishing the system and transferring assets for management under the investment pool; and

(2) enacting a contribution cost-share component wherein employing municipalities and members of funds established under Articles 3 and 4 of this Code each contribute 50% of the normal cost of the defined-benefit plan.

The Commission shall issue a report on its findings on or before December 31, 2011.

(40 ILCS 5/3-111) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-111)

Sec. 3-111. Pension.

(a) A police officer age 50 or more with 20 or more years of creditable service, who is not a participant in the self-managed plan under Section 3-109.3 and who is no longer in service as a police officer, shall receive a pension of 1/2 of the salary attached to the rank held by the officer on the police force for one year immediately prior to retirement or, beginning July 1, 1987 for persons terminating service on or after that date, the salary attached to the rank held on the last day of service or for one year prior to the last day, whichever is greater. The pension shall be increased by 2.5% of such salary for each additional year of service over 20 years of service through 30 years of service, to a maximum of 75% of such salary.

The changes made to this subsection (a) by this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly apply to all pensions that become payable under this subsection on or after January 1, 1999. All pensions payable under this subsection that began on or after January 1, 1999 and before the effective date of this amendatory Act shall be recalculated, and the amount of the

increase accruing for that period shall be payable to the pensioner in a lump sum.

(a-5) No pension in effect on or granted after June 30, 1973 shall be less than \$200 per month. Beginning July 1, 1987, the minimum retirement pension for a police officer having at least 20 years of creditable service shall be \$400 per month, without regard to whether or not retirement occurred prior to that date. If the minimum pension established in Section 3-113.1 is greater than the minimum provided in this subsection, the Section 3-113.1 minimum controls.

(b) A police officer mandatorily retired from service due to age by operation of law, having at least 8 but less than 20 years of creditable service, shall receive a pension equal to 2 1/2% of the salary attached to the rank he or she held on the police force for one year immediately prior to retirement or, beginning July 1, 1987 for persons terminating service on or after that date, the salary attached to the rank held on the last day of service or for one year prior to the last day, whichever is greater, for each year of creditable service.

A police officer who retires or is separated from service having at least 8 years but less than 20 years of creditable service, who is not mandatorily retired due to age by operation of law, and who does not apply for a refund of contributions at his or her last separation from police service, shall receive a pension upon attaining age 60 equal to 2.5% of the salary attached to the rank held by the police officer on the police

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force for one year immediately prior to retirement or, beginning July 1, 1987 for persons terminating service on or after that date, the salary attached to the rank held on the last day of service or for one year prior to the last day, whichever is greater, for each year of creditable service.

(c) A police officer no longer in service who has at least one but less than 8 years of creditable service in a police pension fund but meets the requirements of this subsection (c) shall be eligible to receive a pension from that fund equal to 2.5% of the salary attached to the rank held on the last day of service under that fund or for one year prior to that last day, whichever is greater, for each year of creditable service in that fund. The pension shall begin no earlier than upon attainment of age 60 (or upon mandatory retirement from the fund by operation of law due to age, if that occurs before age 60) and in no event before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997.

In order to be eligible for a pension under this subsection (c), the police officer must have at least 8 years of creditable service in a second police pension fund under this Article and be receiving a pension under subsection (a) or (b) of this Section from that second fund. The police officer need not be in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the provisions of this subsection (d) apply to a person who is not a participant in the self-managed plan under Section 3-109.3 and who first becomes a police officer under this Article on or after January 1, 2011.

A police officer age 55 or more who has 10 or more years of service in that capacity shall be entitled at his option to receive a monthly pension for his service as a police officer computed by multiplying 2.5% for each year of such service by his or her final average salary.

The pension of a police officer who is retiring after attaining age 50 with 10 or more years of creditable service shall be reduced by one-half of 1% for each month that the police officer's age is under age 55.

The maximum pension under this subsection (d) shall be 75% of final average salary.

For the purposes of this subsection (d), "final average salary" means the average monthly salary obtained by dividing the total salary of the police officer during the 96 consecutive months of service within the last 120 months of service in which the total salary was the highest by the number of months of service in that period.

Beginning on January 1, 2011, for all purposes under this Code (including without limitation the calculation of benefits and employee contributions), the annual salary based on the plan year of a member or participant to whom this Section applies shall not exceed \$106,800; however, that amount shall annually thereafter be increased by the lesser of (i) 3% of that amount, including all previous adjustments, or (ii) one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, including all previous adjustments.

(Source: P.A. 90-460, eff. 8-17-97; 91-939, eff. 2-1-01.)

(40 ILCS 5/3-111.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-111.1) Sec. 3-111.1. Increase in pension.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (e), the monthly pension of a police officer who retires after July 1, 1971, and prior to January 1, 1986, shall be increased, upon either the first of the month following the first anniversary of the date of retirement if the officer is 60 years of age or over at retirement date, or upon the first day of the month following attainment of age 60 if it occurs after the first anniversary of retirement, by 3% of the originally granted pension and by an additional 3% of the originally granted pension in January of each year thereafter.

(b) The monthly pension of a police officer who retired from service with 20 or more years of service, on or before July 1, 1971, shall be increased in January of the year following the year of attaining age 65 or in January of 1972, if then over age 65, by 3% of the originally granted pension for each year the police officer received pension payments. In each January thereafter, he or she shall receive an additional

increase of 3% of the original pension.

(c) The monthly pension of a police officer who retires on disability or is retired for disability shall be increased in January of the year following the year of attaining age 60, by 3% of the original grant of pension for each year he or she received pension payments. In each January thereafter, the police officer shall receive an additional increase of 3% of the original pension.

(d) The monthly pension of a police officer who retires after January 1, 1986, shall be increased, upon either the first of the month following the first anniversary of the date of retirement if the officer is 55 years of age or over, or upon the first day of the month following attainment of age 55 if it occurs after the first anniversary of retirement, by 1/12 of 3% of the originally granted pension for each full month that has elapsed since the pension began, and by an additional 3% of the originally granted pension in January of each year thereafter.

The changes made to this subsection (d) by this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly apply to all initial increases that become payable under this subsection on or after January 1, 1999. All initial increases that became payable under this subsection on or after January 1, 1999 and before the effective date of this amendatory Act shall be recalculated and the additional amount accruing for that period, if any, shall be payable to the pensioner in a lump sum.

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(e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), upon the first day of the month following (1) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (2) the attainment of age 55, or (3) July 1, 1987, whichever occurs latest, the monthly pension of a police officer who retired on or after January 1, 1977 and on or before January 1, 1986, and did not receive an increase under subsection (a) before July 1, 1987, shall be increased by 3% of the originally granted monthly pension for each full year that has elapsed since the pension began, and by an additional 3% of the originally granted pension in each January thereafter. The increases provided under this subsection are in lieu of the increases provided in subsection (a).

(f) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Section, beginning with increases granted on or after July 1, 1993, the second and all subsequent automatic annual increases granted under subsection (a), (b), (d), or (e) of this Section shall be calculated as 3% of the amount of pension payable at the time of the increase, including any increases previously granted under this Section, rather than 3% of the originally granted pension amount. Section 1-103.1 does not apply to this subsection (f).

(g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the monthly pension of a person who first becomes a police officer under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 occurring either on or after the attainment of age 60 or the first anniversary of the pension start date, whichever is later. Each annual increase shall be calculated at 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted pension. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the pension shall not be increased.

For the purposes of this subsection (q), "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the pension funds.

(Source: P.A. 91-939, eff. 2-1-01.)

(40 ILCS 5/3-112) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-112)

Sec. 3-112. Pension to survivors.

(a) Upon the death of a police officer entitled to a pension under Section 3-111, the surviving spouse shall be entitled to the pension to which the police officer was then entitled. Upon the death of the surviving spouse, or upon the

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remarriage of the surviving spouse if that remarriage terminates the surviving spouse's eligibility under Section 3-121, the police officer's unmarried children who are under age 18 or who are dependent because of physical or mental disability shall be entitled to equal shares of such pension. If there is no eligible surviving spouse and no eligible child, the dependent parent or parents of the officer shall be entitled to receive or share such pension until their death or marriage or remarriage after the death of the police officer.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, for a person who first becomes a police officer under this Article on or after January 1, 2011, the pension to which the surviving spouse, children, or parents are entitled under this subsection (a) shall be in the amount of 66 2/3% of the police officer's earned pension at the date of death. Nothing in this subsection (a) shall act to diminish the survivor's benefits described in subsection (e) of this Section.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the monthly pension of a survivor of a person who first becomes a police officer under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 after attainment of age 60 by the recipient of the survivor's pension and each January 1 thereafter by 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted survivor's pension. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the survivor's pension shall not be increased.

For the purposes of this subsection (a), "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the pension funds.

(b) Upon the death of a police officer while in service, having at least 20 years of creditable service, or upon the death of a police officer who retired from service with at least 20 years of creditable service, whether death occurs before or after attainment of age 50, the pension earned by the police officer as of the date of death as provided in Section 3-111 shall be paid to the survivors in the sequence provided in subsection (a) of this Section.

(c) Upon the death of a police officer while in service, having at least 10 but less than 20 years of service, a pension of 1/2 of the salary attached to the rank or ranks held by the officer for one year immediately prior to death shall be payable to the survivors in the sequence provided in subsection

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(a) of this Section. If death occurs as a result of the performance of duty, the 10 year requirement shall not apply and the pension to survivors shall be payable after any period of service.

(d) Beginning July 1, 1987, a minimum pension of \$400 per month shall be paid to all surviving spouses, without regard to the fact that the death of the police officer occurred prior to that date. If the minimum pension established in Section 3-113.1 is greater than the minimum provided in this subsection, the Section 3-113.1 minimum controls.

(e) The pension of the surviving spouse of a police officer who dies (i) on or after January 1, 2001, (ii) without having begun to receive either a retirement pension payable under Section 3-111 or a disability pension payable under Section 3-114.1, 3-114.2, 3-114.3, or 3-114.6, and (iii) as a result of sickness, accident, or injury incurred in or resulting from the performance of an act of duty shall not be less than 100% of the salary attached to the rank held by the deceased police officer on the last day of service, notwithstanding any provision in this Article to the contrary.

(Source: P.A. 91-939, eff. 2-1-01.)

(40 ILCS 5/3-125) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-125)

Sec. 3-125. Financing.

(a) The city council or the board of trustees of the municipality shall annually levy a tax upon all the taxable

property of the municipality at the rate on the dollar which will produce an amount which, when added to the deductions from the salaries or wages of police officers, and revenues available from other sources, will equal a sum sufficient to meet the annual requirements of the police pension fund. The annual requirements to be provided by such tax levy are equal to (1) the normal cost of the pension fund for the year involved, plus (2) an the amount sufficient to bring the total assets of the pension fund up to 90% of the total actuarial liabilities of the pension fund by the end of municipal fiscal year 2040, as annually updated and determined by an enrolled actuary employed by the Illinois Department of Insurance or by an enrolled actuary retained by the pension fund or the municipality. In making these determinations, the required minimum employer contribution shall be calculated each year as a level percentage of payroll over the years remaining up to and including fiscal year 2040 and shall be determined under the projected unit credit actuarial cost method necessary to amortize the fund's unfunded accrued liabilities as provided in Section 3-127. The tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as the general taxes of the municipality, and in addition to all other taxes now or hereafter authorized to be levied upon all property within the municipality, and shall be in addition to the amount authorized to be levied for general purposes as provided by Section 8-3-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code, approved May 29, 1961, as amended. The tax shall be

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forwarded directly to the treasurer of the board within 30 business days after receipt by the county.

(b) For purposes of determining the required employer contribution to a pension fund, the value of the pension fund's assets shall be equal to the actuarial value of the pension fund's assets, which shall be calculated as follows:

(1) On March 30, 2011, the actuarial value of a pension fund's assets shall be equal to the market value of the assets as of that date.

(2) In determining the actuarial value of the System's assets for fiscal years after March 30, 2011, any actuarial gains or losses from investment return incurred in a fiscal year shall be recognized in equal annual amounts over the 5-year period following that fiscal year.

(c) If a participating municipality fails to transmit to the fund contributions required of it under this Article for more than 90 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the fund may, after giving notice to the municipality, certify to the State Comptroller the amounts of the delinquent payments, and the Comptroller must, beginning in fiscal year 2016, deduct and deposit into the fund the certified amounts or a portion of those amounts from the following proportions of grants of State funds to the municipality:

(1) in fiscal year 2016, one-third of the total amount of any grants of State funds to the municipality;

(2) in fiscal year 2017, two-thirds of the total amount

of any grants of State funds to the municipality; and

(3) in fiscal year 2018 and each fiscal year thereafter, the total amount of any grants of State funds to the municipality.

The State Comptroller may not deduct from any grants of State funds to the municipality more than the amount of delinquent payments certified to the State Comptroller by the fund.

(d) The police pension fund shall consist of the following moneys which shall be set apart by the treasurer of the municipality:

(1) All moneys derived from the taxes levied hereunder;

(2) Contributions by police officers under Section3-125.1;

(3) All moneys accumulated by the municipality under any previous legislation establishing a fund for the benefit of disabled or retired police officers;

(4) Donations, gifts or other transfers authorized by this Article.

(e) The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability shall conduct a study of all funds established under this Article and shall report its findings to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2013. To the fullest extent possible, the study shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) fund balances;

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(2) historical employer contribution rates for each fund;

(3) the actuarial formulas used as a basis for employer contributions, including the actual assumed rate of return for each year, for each fund;

(4) available contribution funding sources;

(5) the impact of any revenue limitations caused by PTELL and employer home rule or non-home rule status; and

(6) existing statutory funding compliance procedures and funding enforcement mechanisms for all municipal pension funds.

(Source: P.A. 95-530, eff. 8-28-07.)

(40 ILCS 5/4-109) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-109)

Sec. 4-109. Pension.

(a) A firefighter age 50 or more with 20 or more years of creditable service, who is no longer in service as a firefighter, shall receive a monthly pension of 1/2 the monthly salary attached to the rank held by him or her in the fire service at the date of retirement.

The monthly pension shall be increased by 1/12 of 2.5% of such monthly salary for each additional month over 20 years of service through 30 years of service, to a maximum of 75% of such monthly salary.

The changes made to this subsection (a) by this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly apply to all pensions that

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become payable under this subsection on or after January 1, 1999. All pensions payable under this subsection that began on or after January 1, 1999 and before the effective date of this amendatory Act shall be recalculated, and the amount of the increase accruing for that period shall be payable to the pensioner in a lump sum.

(b) A firefighter who retires or is separated from service having at least 10 but less than 20 years of creditable service, who is not entitled to receive a disability pension, and who did not apply for a refund of contributions at his or her last separation from service shall receive a monthly pension upon attainment of age 60 based on the monthly salary attached to his or her rank in the fire service on the date of retirement or separation from service according to the following schedule:

For 10 years of service, 15% of salary; For 11 years of service, 17.6% of salary; For 12 years of service, 20.4% of salary; For 13 years of service, 23.4% of salary; For 14 years of service, 26.6% of salary; For 15 years of service, 30% of salary; For 16 years of service, 33.6% of salary; For 17 years of service, 37.4% of salary; For 18 years of service, 41.4% of salary; For 19 years of service, 45.6% of salary. (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the provisions of this subsection (c) apply to a person who first becomes a firefighter under this Article on or after January 1, 2011.

A firefighter age 55 or more who has 10 or more years of service in that capacity shall be entitled at his option to receive a monthly pension for his service as a firefighter computed by multiplying 2.5% for each year of such service by his or her final average salary.

The pension of a firefighter who is retiring after attaining age 50 with 10 or more years of creditable service shall be reduced by one-half of 1% for each month that the firefighter's age is under age 55.

The maximum pension under this subsection (c) shall be 75% of final average salary.

For the purposes of this subsection (c), "final average salary" means the average monthly salary obtained by dividing the total salary of the firefighter during the 96 consecutive months of service within the last 120 months of service in which the total salary was the highest by the number of months of service in that period.

Beginning on January 1, 2011, for all purposes under this Code (including without limitation the calculation of benefits and employee contributions), the annual salary based on the plan year of a member or participant to whom this Section applies shall not exceed \$106,800; however, that amount shall annually thereafter be increased by the lesser of (i) 3% of that amount, including all previous adjustments, or (ii) one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, including all previous adjustments.

(Source: P.A. 91-466, eff. 8-6-99.)

(40 ILCS 5/4-109.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-109.1)

Sec. 4-109.1. Increase in pension.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (e), the monthly pension of a firefighter who retires after July 1, 1971 and prior to January 1, 1986, shall, upon either the first of the month following the first anniversary of the date of retirement if 60 years of age or over at retirement date, or upon the first day of the month following attainment of age 60 if it occurs after the first anniversary of retirement, be increased by 2% of the originally granted monthly pension and by an additional 2% in each January thereafter. Effective January 1976, the rate of the annual increase shall be 3% of the originally granted monthly pension.

(b) The monthly pension of a firefighter who retired from service with 20 or more years of service, on or before July 1, 1971, shall be increased, in January of the year following the year of attaining age 65 or in January 1972, if then over age 65, by 2% of the originally granted monthly pension, for each year the firefighter received pension payments. In each January

thereafter, he or she shall receive an additional increase of 2% of the original monthly pension. Effective January 1976, the rate of the annual increase shall be 3%.

(c) The monthly pension of a firefighter who is receiving a disability pension under this Article shall be increased, in January of the year following the year the firefighter attains age 60, or in January 1974, if then over age 60, by 2% of the originally granted monthly pension for each year he or she received pension payments. In each January thereafter, the firefighter shall receive an additional increase of 2% of the original monthly pension. Effective January 1976, the rate of the annual increase shall be 3%.

(c-1) On January 1, 1998, every child's disability benefit payable on that date under Section 4-110 or 4-110.1 shall be increased by an amount equal to 1/12 of 3% of the amount of the benefit, multiplied by the number of months for which the benefit has been payable. On each January 1 thereafter, every child's disability benefit payable under Section 4-110 or 4-110.1 shall be increased by 3% of the amount of the benefit then being paid, including any previous increases received under this Article. These increases are not subject to any limitation on the maximum benefit amount included in Section 4-110 or 4-110.1.

(c-2) On July 1, 2004, every pension payable to or on behalf of a minor or disabled surviving child that is payable on that date under Section 4-114 shall be increased by an

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amount equal to 1/12 of 3% of the amount of the pension, multiplied by the number of months for which the benefit has been payable. On July 1, 2005, July 1, 2006, July 1, 2007, and July 1, 2008, every pension payable to or on behalf of a minor or disabled surviving child that is payable under Section 4-114 shall be increased by 3% of the amount of the pension then being paid, including any previous increases received under this Article. These increases are not subject to any limitation on the maximum benefit amount included in Section 4-114.

(d) The monthly pension of a firefighter who retires after January 1, 1986, shall, upon either the first of the month following the first anniversary of the date of retirement if 55 years of age or over, or upon the first day of the month following attainment of age 55 if it occurs after the first anniversary of retirement, be increased by 1/12 of 3% of the originally granted monthly pension for each full month that has elapsed since the pension began, and by an additional 3% in each January thereafter.

The changes made to this subsection (d) by this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly apply to all initial increases that become payable under this subsection on or after January 1, 1999. All initial increases that became payable under this subsection on or after January 1, 1999 and before the effective date of this amendatory Act shall be recalculated and the additional amount accruing for that period, if any, shall be payable to the pensioner in a lump sum.

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(e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), upon the first day of the month following (1) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (2) the attainment of age 55, or (3) July 1, 1987, whichever occurs latest, the monthly pension of a firefighter who retired on or after January 1, 1977 and on or before January 1, 1986 and did not receive an increase under subsection (a) before July 1, 1987, shall be increased by 3% of the originally granted monthly pension for each full year that has elapsed since the pension began, and by an additional 3% in each January thereafter. The increases provided under this subsection are in lieu of the increases provided in subsection (a).

(f) In July 2009, the monthly pension of a firefighter who retired before July 1, 1977 shall be recalculated and increased to reflect the amount that the firefighter would have received in July 2009 had the firefighter been receiving a 3% compounded increase for each year he or she received pension payments after January 1, 1986, plus any increases in pension received for each year prior to January 1, 1986. In each January thereafter, he or she shall receive an additional increase of 3% of the amount of the pension then being paid. The changes made to this Section by this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly apply without regard to whether the firefighter was in service on or after its effective date.

(g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the monthly pension of a person who first becomes a firefighter under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 occurring either on or after the attainment of age 60 or the first anniversary of the pension start date, whichever is later. Each annual increase shall be calculated at 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted pension. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the pension shall not be increased.

For the purposes of this subsection (g), "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the pension funds.

(Source: P.A. 96-775, eff. 8-28-09.)

(40 ILCS 5/4-114) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-114)

Sec. 4-114. Pension to survivors. If a firefighter who is not receiving a disability pension under Section 4-110 or

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4-110.1 dies (1) as a result of any illness or accident, or (2) from any cause while in receipt of a disability pension under this Article, or (3) during retirement after 20 years service, or (4) while vested for or in receipt of a pension payable under subsection (b) of Section 4-109, or (5) while a deferred pensioner, having made all required contributions, a pension shall be paid to his or her survivors, based on the monthly salary attached to the firefighter's rank on the last day of service in the fire department, as follows:

(a) (1) To the surviving spouse, a monthly pension of 40% of the monthly salary, and to the guardian of any minor child or children including a child which has been conceived but not yet born, 12% of such monthly salary for each such child until attainment of age 18 or until the child's marriage, whichever occurs first. Beginning July 1, 1993, the monthly pension to the surviving spouse shall be 54% of the monthly salary for all persons receiving a surviving spouse pension under this Article, regardless of whether the deceased firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1993.

(2) Beginning July 1, 2004, unless the amount provided under paragraph (1) of this subsection (a) is greater, the total monthly pension payable under this paragraph (a), including any amount payable on account of children, to the surviving spouse of a firefighter who died (i) while receiving a retirement pension, (ii) while he or she was a

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deferred pensioner with at least 20 years of creditable service, or (iii) while he or she was in active service having at least 20 years of creditable service, regardless of age, shall be no less than 100% of the monthly retirement pension earned by the deceased firefighter at the time of death, regardless of whether death occurs before or after attainment of age 50, including any increases under Section 4-109.1. This minimum applies to all such surviving spouses who are eligible to receive a surviving spouse pension, regardless of whether the deceased firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, and notwithstanding any limitation on maximum pension under paragraph (d) or any other provision of this Article.

(3) If the pension paid on and after July 1, 2004 to the surviving spouse of a firefighter who died on or after July 1, 2004 and before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly was less than the minimum pension payable under paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection (a), the fund shall pay a lump sum equal to the difference within 90 days after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

The pension to the surviving spouse shall terminate in the event of the surviving spouse's remarriage prior to July 1, 1993; remarriage on or after that date does not

affect the surviving spouse's pension, regardless of whether the deceased firefighter was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1993.

The surviving spouse's pension shall be subject to the minimum established in Section 4-109.2.

(b) Upon the death of the surviving spouse leaving one or more minor children, to the duly appointed guardian of each such child, for support and maintenance of each such child until the child reaches age 18 or marries, whichever occurs first, a monthly pension of 20% of the monthly salary.

(c) If a deceased firefighter leaves no surviving spouse or unmarried minor children under age 18, but leaves a dependent father or mother, to each dependent parent a monthly pension of 18% of the monthly salary. To qualify for the pension, a dependent parent must furnish satisfactory proof that the deceased firefighter was at the time of his or her death the sole supporter of the parent or that the parent was the deceased's dependent for federal income tax purposes.

(d) The total pension provided under paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this Section shall not exceed 75% of the monthly salary of the deceased firefighter (1) when paid to the survivor of a firefighter who has attained 20 or more years of service credit and who receives or is eligible to receive a retirement pension under this Article, or (2)

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when paid to the survivor of a firefighter who dies as a result of illness or accident, or (3) when paid to the survivor of a firefighter who dies from any cause while in receipt of a disability pension under this Article, or (4) when paid to the survivor of a deferred pensioner. For all other survivors of deceased firefighters, the total pension provided under paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this Section shall not exceed 50% of the retirement annuity the firefighter would have received on the date of death.

The maximum pension limitations in this paragraph (d) do not control over any contrary provision of this Article explicitly establishing a minimum amount of pension or granting a one-time or annual increase in pension.

(e) If a firefighter leaves no eligible survivors under paragraphs (a), (b) and (c), the board shall refund to the firefighter's estate the amount of his or her accumulated contributions, less the amount of pension payments, if any, made to the firefighter while living.

(f) (Blank).

(g) If a judgment of dissolution of marriage between a firefighter and spouse is judicially set aside subsequent to the firefighter's death, the surviving spouse is eligible for the pension provided in paragraph (a) only if the judicial proceedings are filed within 2 years after the date of the dissolution of marriage and within one year after the firefighter's death and the board is made a party

to the proceedings. In such case the pension shall be payable only from the date of the court's order setting aside the judgment of dissolution of marriage.

(h) Benefits payable on account of a child under this Section shall not be reduced or terminated by reason of the child's attainment of age 18 if he or she is then dependent by reason of a physical or mental disability but shall continue to be paid as long as such dependency continues. Individuals over the age of 18 and adjudged as a disabled person pursuant to Article XIa of the Probate Act of 1975, except for persons receiving benefits under Article III of the Illinois Public Aid Code, shall be eligible to receive benefits under this Act.

(i) Beginning January 1, 2000, the pension of the surviving spouse of a firefighter who dies on or after January 1, 1994 as a result of sickness, accident, or injury incurred in or resulting from the performance of an act of duty or from the cumulative effects of acts of duty shall not be less than 100% of the salary attached to the rank held by the deceased firefighter on the last day of service, notwithstanding subsection (d) or any other provision of this Article.

(j) Beginning July 1, 2004, the pension of the surviving spouse of a firefighter who dies on or after January 1, 1988 as a result of sickness, accident, or injury incurred in or resulting from the performance of an

act of duty or from the cumulative effects of acts of duty shall not be less than 100% of the salary attached to the rank held by the deceased firefighter on the last day of service, notwithstanding subsection (d) or any other provision of this Article.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, if a person who first becomes a firefighter under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 and who is not receiving a disability pension under Section 4-110 or 4-110.1 dies (1) as a result of any illness or accident, (2) from any cause while in receipt of a disability pension under this Article, (3) during retirement after 20 years service, (4) while vested for or in receipt of a pension payable under subsection (b) of Section 4-109, or (5) while a deferred pensioner, having made all required contributions, then a pension shall be paid to his or her survivors in the amount of 66 2/3% of the firefighter's earned pension at the date of death. Nothing in this Section shall act to diminish the survivor's benefits described in subsection (j) of this Section.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the monthly pension of a survivor of a person who first becomes a firefighter under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 after attainment of age 60 by the recipient of the survivor's pension and each January 1 thereafter by 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted survivor's pension. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the survivor's pension shall not be increased.

For the purposes of this Section, "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the pension funds.

(Source: P.A. 95-279, eff. 1-1-08.)

(40 ILCS 5/4-118) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-118)

Sec. 4-118. Financing.

(a) The city council or the board of trustees of the municipality shall annually levy a tax upon all the taxable property of the municipality at the rate on the dollar which will produce an amount which, when added to the deductions from the salaries or wages of firefighters and revenues available from other sources, will equal a sum sufficient to meet the annual actuarial requirements of the pension fund, as

determined by an enrolled actuary employed by the Illinois Department of Insurance or by an enrolled actuary retained by the pension fund or municipality. For the purposes of this Section, the annual actuarial requirements of the pension fund are equal to (1) the normal cost of the pension fund, or 17.5% of the salaries and wages to be paid to firefighters for the year involved, whichever is greater, plus (2) an the annual amount sufficient to bring the total assets of the pension fund up to 90% of the total actuarial liabilities of the pension fund by the end of municipal fiscal year 2040, as annually updated and determined by an enrolled actuary employed by the Illinois Department of Insurance or by an enrolled actuary retained by the pension fund or the municipality. In making these determinations, the required minimum employer contribution shall be calculated each year as a level percentage of payroll over the years remaining up to and including fiscal year 2040 and shall be determined under the projected unit credit actuarial cost method necessary to amortize the fund's unfunded accrued liabilities over a period of 40 years from July 1, 1993, as annually updated and determined by an enrolled actuary employed by the Illinois Department of Insurance or by an enrolled actuary retained by the pension fund or the municipality. The amount to be applied towards the amortization of the unfunded accrued liability in any year shall not be less than the annual amount required to amortize the unfunded accrued liability, including interest,

as a level percentage of payroll over the number of years remaining in the 40 year amortization period.

(a-5) For purposes of determining the required employer contribution to a pension fund, the value of the pension fund's assets shall be equal to the actuarial value of the pension fund's assets, which shall be calculated as follows:

(1) On March 30, 2011, the actuarial value of a pension fund's assets shall be equal to the market value of the assets as of that date.

(2) In determining the actuarial value of the pension fund's assets for fiscal years after March 30, 2011, any actuarial gains or losses from investment return incurred in a fiscal year shall be recognized in equal annual amounts over the 5-year period following that fiscal year.

(b) The tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as the general taxes of the municipality, and shall be in addition to all other taxes now or hereafter authorized to be levied upon all property within the municipality, and in addition to the amount authorized to be levied for general purposes, under Section 8-3-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code or under Section 14 of the Fire Protection District Act. The tax shall be forwarded directly to the treasurer of the board within 30 business days of receipt by the county (or, in the case of amounts added to the tax levy under subsection (f), used by the municipality to pay the employer contributions required under subsection (b-1) of Section 15-155 of this Code).

(b-5) If a participating municipality fails to transmit to the fund contributions required of it under this Article for more than 90 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the fund may, after giving notice to the municipality, certify to the State Comptroller the amounts of the delinquent payments, and the Comptroller must, beginning in fiscal year 2016, deduct and deposit into the fund the certified amounts or a portion of those amounts from the following proportions of grants of State funds to the municipality:

(1) in fiscal year 2016, one-third of the total amount of any grants of State funds to the municipality;

(2) in fiscal year 2017, two-thirds of the total amount of any grants of State funds to the municipality; and

(3) in fiscal year 2018 and each fiscal year thereafter, the total amount of any grants of State funds to the municipality.

The State Comptroller may not deduct from any grants of State funds to the municipality more than the amount of delinquent payments certified to the State Comptroller by the fund.

(c) The board shall make available to the membership and the general public for inspection and copying at reasonable times the most recent Actuarial Valuation Balance Sheet and Tax Levy Requirement issued to the fund by the Department of Insurance.

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(d) The firefighters' pension fund shall consist of the following moneys which shall be set apart by the treasurer of the municipality: (1) all moneys derived from the taxes levied hereunder; (2) contributions by firefighters as provided under Section 4-118.1; (3) all rewards in money, fees, gifts, and emoluments that may be paid or given for or on account of extraordinary service by the fire department or any member thereof, except when allowed to be retained by competitive awards; and (4) any money, real estate or personal property received by the board.

(e) For the purposes of this Section, "enrolled actuary" means an actuary: (1) who is a member of the Society of Actuaries or the American Academy of Actuaries; and (2) who is enrolled under Subtitle C of Title III of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, or who has been engaged in providing actuarial services to one or more public retirement systems for a period of at least 3 years as of July 1, 1983.

(f) The corporate authorities of a municipality that employs a person who is described in subdivision (d) of Section 4-106 may add to the tax levy otherwise provided for in this Section an amount equal to the projected cost of the employer contributions required to be paid by the municipality to the State Universities Retirement System under subsection (b-1) of Section 15-155 of this Code.

(g) The Commission on Government Forecasting and

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Accountability shall conduct a study of all funds established under this Article and shall report its findings to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 2013. To the fullest extent possible, the study shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) fund balances;

(2) historical employer contribution rates for each
fund;

(3) the actuarial formulas used as a basis for employer contributions, including the actual assumed rate of return for each year, for each fund;

(4) available contribution funding sources;

(5) the impact of any revenue limitations caused by PTELL and employer home rule or non-home rule status; and

(6) existing statutory funding compliance procedures and funding enforcement mechanisms for all municipal pension funds.

(Source: P.A. 94-859, eff. 6-15-06.)

(40 ILCS 5/5-167.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-167.1)

Sec. 5-167.1. Automatic increase in annuity; retirement from service after September 1, 1967.

(a) A policeman who retires from service after September 1, 1967 with at least 20 years of service credit shall, upon either the first of the month following the first anniversary of his date of retirement if he is age 60 (age 55 if born before

January 1, 1955) or over on that anniversary date, or upon the first of the month following his attainment of age 60 (age 55 if born before January 1, 1955) if it occurs after the first anniversary of his retirement date, have his then fixed and payable monthly annuity increased by 1 1/2% and such first fixed annuity as granted at retirement increased by an additional 1 1/2% in January of each year thereafter up to a maximum increase of 30%. Beginning January 1, 1983 for policemen born before January 1, 1930, and beginning January 1, 1988 for policemen born on or after January 1, 1930 but before January 1, 1940, and beginning January 1, 1996 for policemen born on or after January 1, 1940 but before January 1, 1945, and beginning January 1, 2000 for policemen born on or after January 1, 1945 but before January 1, 1950, and beginning January 1, 2005 for policemen born on or after January 1, 1950 but before January 1, 1955, such increases shall be 3% and such policemen shall not be subject to the 30% maximum increase.

Any policeman born before January 1, 1945 who qualifies for a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 1996 is entitled to receive the initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 1996, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last. The changes to this Section made by Public Act 89-12 apply beginning January 1, 1996 and without regard to whether the policeman or annuitant terminated service

before the effective date of that Act.

Any policeman born before January 1, 1950 who qualifies for a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 2000 is entitled to receive the initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 2000, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last. The changes to this Section made by this amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly apply without regard to whether the policeman or annuitant terminated service before the effective date of this amendatory Act.

Any policeman born before January 1, 1955 who qualifies for a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 2005 is entitled to receive the initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 2005, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last. The changes to this Section made by this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly apply without regard to whether the policeman or annuitant terminated service before the effective date of this amendatory Act.

(b) Subsection (a) of this Section is not applicable to an employee receiving a term annuity.

(c) To help defray the cost of such increases in annuity, there shall be deducted, beginning September 1, 1967, from each payment of salary to a policeman, 1/2 of 1% of each salary

payment concurrently with and in addition to the salary deductions otherwise made for annuity purposes.

The city, in addition to the contributions otherwise made by it for annuity purposes under other provisions of this Article, shall make matching contributions concurrently with such salary deductions.

Each such 1/2 of 1% deduction from salary and each such contribution by the city of 1/2 of 1% of salary shall be credited to the Automatic Increase Reserve, to be used to defray the cost of the 1 1/2% annuity increase provided by this Section. Any balance in such reserve as of the beginning of each calendar year shall be credited with interest at the rate of 3% per annum.

Such deductions from salary and city contributions shall continue while the policeman is in service.

The salary deductions provided in this Section are not subject to refund, except to the policeman himself, in any case in which a policeman withdraws prior to qualification for minimum annuity and applies for refund or applies for annuity, and also where a term annuity becomes payable. In such cases, the total of such salary deductions shall be refunded to the policeman, without interest, and charged to the Automatic Increase Reserve.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, for a person who first becomes a policeman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011, the annuity to which the survivor is entitled under this subsection (d) shall be in the amount of 66 2/3% of the policeman's earned annuity at the date of death. Nothing in this subsection (d) shall act to diminish the survivor's benefits described in this Section.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the monthly annuity of a survivor of a person who first becomes a policeman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 after attainment of age 60 by the recipient of the survivor's annuity and each January 1 thereafter by 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted annuity. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the annuity shall not be increased.

For the purposes of this subsection (d), "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the pension funds.

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(Source: P.A. 94-719, eff. 1-6-06.)

(40 ILCS 5/5-168) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-168)

Sec. 5-168. Financing.

(a) Except as expressly provided in this Section, the city shall levy a tax annually upon all taxable property therein for the purpose of providing revenue for the fund.

The tax shall be at a rate that will produce a sum which, when added to the amounts deducted from the policemen's salaries and the amounts deposited in accordance with subsection (g), is sufficient for the purposes of the fund.

For the years 1968 and 1969, the city council shall levy a tax annually at a rate on the dollar of the assessed valuation of all taxable property that will produce, when extended, not to exceed \$9,700,000. Beginning with the year 1970 and <u>through</u> 2014, each year thereafter the city council shall levy a tax annually at a rate on the dollar of the assessed valuation of all taxable property that will produce when extended an amount not to exceed the total amount of contributions by the policemen to the Fund made in the calendar year 2 years before the year for which the applicable annual tax is levied, multiplied by 1.40 for the tax levy year 1970; by 1.50 for the year 1971; by 1.65 for 1972; by 1.85 for 1973; by 1.90 for 1974; by 1.97 for 1975 through 1981; by 2.00 for 1982 and for each year <u>through 2014</u> thereafter. Beginning in 2015, the city council shall levy a tax annually at a rate on the dollar of

the assessed valuation of all taxable property that will produce when extended an annual amount that is equal to (1) the normal cost to the Fund, plus (2) an annual amount sufficient to bring the total assets of the Fund up to 90% of the total actuarial liabilities of the Fund by the end of fiscal year 2040, as annually updated and determined by an enrolled actuary employed by the Illinois Department of Insurance or by an enrolled actuary retained by the Fund or the city. In making these determinations, the required minimum employer contribution shall be calculated each year as a level percentage of payroll over the years remaining up to and including fiscal year 2040 and shall be determined under the projected unit credit actuarial cost method. For the purposes of this subsection (a), contributions by the policeman to the Fund shall not include payments made by a policeman to establish credit under Section 5-214.2 of this Code.

(a-5) For purposes of determining the required employer contribution to the Fund, the value of the Fund's assets shall be equal to the actuarial value of the Fund's assets, which shall be calculated as follows:

(1) On March 30, 2011, the actuarial value of the Fund's assets shall be equal to the market value of the assets as of that date.

(2) In determining the actuarial value of the Fund's assets for fiscal years after March 30, 2011, any actuarial gains or losses from investment return incurred in a fiscal

year shall be recognized in equal annual amounts over the 5-year period following that fiscal year.

(a-7) If the city fails to transmit to the Fund contributions required of it under this Article for more than 90 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Fund may, after giving notice to the city, certify to the State Comptroller the amounts of the delinquent payments, and the Comptroller must, beginning in fiscal year 2016, deduct and deposit into the Fund the certified amounts or a portion of those amounts from the following proportions of grants of State funds to the city:

(1) in fiscal year 2016, one-third of the total amount of any grants of State funds to the city;

(2) in fiscal year 2017, two-thirds of the total amount of any grants of State funds to the city; and

(3) in fiscal year 2018 and each fiscal year thereafter, the total amount of any grants of State funds to the city.

The State Comptroller may not deduct from any grants of State funds to the city more than the amount of delinquent payments certified to the State Comptroller by the Fund.

(b) The tax shall be levied and collected in like manner with the general taxes of the city, and is in addition to all other taxes which the city is now or may hereafter be authorized to levy upon all taxable property therein, and is exclusive of and in addition to the amount of tax the city is

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now or may hereafter be authorized to levy for general purposes under any law which may limit the amount of tax which the city may levy for general purposes. The county clerk of the county in which the city is located, in reducing tax levies under Section 8-3-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code, shall not consider the tax herein authorized as a part of the general tax levy for city purposes, and shall not include the tax in any limitation of the percent of the assessed valuation upon which taxes are required to be extended for the city.

(c) On or before January 10 of each year, the board shall notify the city council of the requirement that the tax herein authorized be levied by the city council for that current year. The board shall compute the amounts necessary for the purposes of this fund to be credited to the reserves established and maintained within the fund; shall make an annual determination of the amount of the required city contributions; and shall certify the results thereof to the city council.

As soon as any revenue derived from the tax is collected it shall be paid to the city treasurer of the city and shall be held by him for the benefit of the fund in accordance with this Article.

(d) If the funds available are insufficient during any year to meet the requirements of this Article, the city may issue tax anticipation warrants against the tax levy for the current fiscal year.

(e) The various sums, including interest, to be contributed

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by the city, shall be taken from the revenue derived from such tax or otherwise as expressly provided in this Section. Any moneys of the city derived from any source other than the tax herein authorized shall not be used for any purpose of the fund nor the cost of administration thereof, unless applied to make the deposit expressly authorized in this Section or the additional city contributions required under subsection (h).

(f) If it is not possible or practicable for the city to make its contributions at the time that salary deductions are made, the city shall make such contributions as soon as possible thereafter, with interest thereon to the time it is made.

(g) In lieu of levying all or a portion of the tax required under this Section in any year, the city may deposit with the city treasurer no later than March 1 of that year for the benefit of the fund, to be held in accordance with this Article, an amount that, together with the taxes levied under this Section for that year, is not less than the amount of the city contributions for that year as certified by the board to the city council. The deposit may be derived from any source legally available for that purpose, including, but not limited to, the proceeds of city borrowings. The making of a deposit shall satisfy fully the requirements of this Section for that year to the extent of the amounts so deposited. Amounts deposited under this subsection may be used by the fund for any of the purposes for which the proceeds of the tax levied under

this Section may be used, including the payment of any amount that is otherwise required by this Article to be paid from the proceeds of that tax.

(h) In addition to the contributions required under the other provisions of this Article, by November 1 of the following specified years, the city shall deposit with the city treasurer for the benefit of the fund, to be held and used in accordance with this Article, the following specified amounts: \$6,300,000 in 1999; \$5,880,000 in 2000; \$5,460,000 in 2001; \$5,040,000 in 2002; and \$4,620,000 in 2003.

The additional city contributions required under this subsection are intended to decrease the unfunded liability of the fund and shall not decrease the amount of the city contributions required under the other provisions of this Article. The additional city contributions made under this subsection may be used by the fund for any of its lawful purposes.

(Source: P.A. 95-1036, eff. 2-17-09.)

(40 ILCS 5/5-238 new)

Sec. 5-238. Provisions applicable to new hires.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the provisions of this Section apply to a person who first becomes a policeman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011.

(b) A policeman age 55 or more who has 10 or more years of

service in that capacity shall be entitled at his option to receive a monthly retirement annuity for his service as a police officer computed by multiplying 2.5% for each year of such service by his or her final average salary.

The retirement annuity of a policeman who is retiring after attaining age 50 with 10 or more years of creditable service shall be reduced by one-half of 1% for each month that the police officer's age is under age 55.

The maximum retirement annuity under this subsection (b) shall be 75% of final average salary.

For the purposes of this subsection (b), "final average salary" means the average monthly salary obtained by dividing the total salary of the policeman during the 96 consecutive months of service within the last 120 months of service in which the total salary was the highest by the number of months of service in that period.

Beginning on January 1, 2011, for all purposes under this Code (including without limitation the calculation of benefits and employee contributions), the annual salary based on the plan year of a member or participant to whom this Section applies shall not exceed \$106,800; however, that amount shall annually thereafter be increased by the lesser of (i) 3% of that amount, including all previous adjustments, or (ii) one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, including all previous adjustments.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, for a person who first becomes a policeman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011, the annuity to which the surviving spouse, children, or parents are entitled under this subsection (c) shall be in the amount of 66 2/3% of the policeman's earned annuity at the date of death.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the monthly annuity of a survivor of a person who first becomes a policeman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 after attainment of age 60 by the recipient of the survivor's annuity and each January 1 thereafter by 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted survivor's annuity. If the unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the annuity shall not be increased.

For the purposes of this Section, "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the pension funds.

(40 ILCS 5/6-164) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-164)

Sec. 6-164. Automatic annual increase; retirement after September 1, 1959.

(a) A fireman qualifying for a minimum annuity who retires from service after September 1, 1959 shall, upon either the first of the month following the first anniversary of his date of retirement if he is age 60 (age 55 if born before January 1, 1955) or over on that anniversary date, or upon the first of the month following his attainment of age 60 (age 55 if born before January 1, 1955) if that occurs after the first anniversary of his retirement date, have his then fixed and payable monthly annuity increased by 1 1/2%, and such first fixed annuity as granted at retirement increased by an additional 1 1/2% in January of each year thereafter up to a maximum increase of 30%. Beginning July 1, 1982 for firemen born before January 1, 1930, and beginning January 1, 1990 for firemen born after December 31, 1929 and before January 1, 1940, and beginning January 1, 1996 for firemen born after December 31, 1939 but before January 1, 1945, and beginning January 1, 2004, for firemen born after December 31, 1944 but before January 1, 1955, such increases shall be 3% and such firemen shall not be subject to the 30% maximum increase.

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Any fireman born before January 1, 1945 who qualifies for a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 1996 is entitled to receive the initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 1996, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last. The changes to this Section made by this amendatory Act of 1995 apply beginning January 1, 1996 and apply without regard to whether the fireman or annuitant terminated service before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1995.

Any fireman born before January 1, 1955 who qualifies for a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 2004 is entitled to receive the initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 2004, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last. The changes to this Section made by this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly apply without regard to whether the fireman or annuitant terminated service before the effective date of this amendatory Act.

(b) Subsection (a) of this Section is not applicable to an employee receiving a term annuity.

(c) To help defray the cost of such increases in annuity, there shall be deducted, beginning September 1, 1959, from each payment of salary to a fireman, 1/8 of 1% of each such salary

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payment and an additional 1/8 of 1% beginning on September 1, 1961, and September 1, 1963, respectively, concurrently with and in addition to the salary deductions otherwise made for annuity purposes.

Each such additional 1/8 of 1% deduction from salary which shall, on September 1, 1963, result in a total increase of 3/8 of 1% of salary, shall be credited to the Automatic Increase Reserve, to be used, together with city contributions as provided in this Article, to defray the cost of the 1 1/2% annuity increments herein specified. Any balance in such reserve as of the beginning of each calendar year shall be credited with interest at the rate of 3% per annum.

The salary deductions provided in this Section are not subject to refund, except to the fireman himself, in any case in which a fireman withdraws prior to qualification for minimum annuity and applies for refund, or applies for annuity, and also where a term annuity becomes payable. In such cases, the total of such salary deductions shall be refunded to the fireman, without interest, and charged to the aforementioned reserve.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the monthly annuity of a person who first becomes a fireman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 occurring either on or after the attainment of age 60 or the first anniversary of the annuity start date, whichever is later. Each annual increase shall be calculated at 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted retirement annuity. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the annuity shall not be increased.

For the purposes of this subsection (d), "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the pension funds.

(Source: P.A. 93-654, eff. 1-16-04.)

(40 ILCS 5/6-165) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-165) Sec. 6-165. Financing; tax.

(a) Except as expressly provided in this Section, each city shall levy a tax annually upon all taxable property therein for the purpose of providing revenue for the fund. For the years prior to the year 1960, the tax rate shall be as provided for in the "Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of the Illinois

Municipal Code". The tax, from and after January 1, 1968 to and including the year 1971, shall not exceed .0863% of the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, of all taxable property in the city. Beginning with the year 1972 and through 2014, each year thereafter the city shall levy a tax annually at a rate on the dollar of the value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue of all taxable property within such city that will produce, when extended, not to exceed an amount equal to the total amount of contributions by the employees to the fund made in the calendar year 2 years prior to the year for which the annual applicable tax is levied, multiplied by 2.23 through the calendar year 1981, and by 2.26 for the year 1982 and for each year through 2014 thereafter. Beginning in 2015, the city council shall levy a tax annually at a rate on the dollar of the assessed valuation of all taxable property that will produce when extended an annual amount that is equal to (1) the normal cost to the Fund, plus (2) an annual amount sufficient to bring the total assets of the Fund up to 90% of the total actuarial liabilities of the Fund by the end of fiscal year 2040, as annually updated and determined by an enrolled actuary employed by the Illinois Department of Insurance or by an enrolled actuary retained by the Fund or the city. In making these determinations, the required minimum employer contribution shall be calculated each year as a level percentage of payroll over the years remaining up to and including fiscal year 2040 and shall be

determined under the projected unit credit actuarial cost method.

To provide revenue for the ordinary death benefit established by Section 6-150 of this Article, in addition to the contributions by the firemen for this purpose, the city council shall for the year 1962 and each year thereafter annually levy a tax, which shall be in addition to and exclusive of the taxes authorized to be levied under the foregoing provisions of this Section, upon all taxable property in the city, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, at such rate per cent of the value of such property as shall be sufficient to produce for each year the sum of \$142,000.

The amounts produced by the taxes levied annually, together with the deposit expressly authorized in this Section, shall be sufficient, when added to the amounts deducted from the salaries of firemen and applied to the fund, to provide for the purposes of the fund.

(a-5) For purposes of determining the required employer contribution to the Fund, the value of the Fund's assets shall be equal to the actuarial value of the Fund's assets, which shall be calculated as follows:

(1) On March 30, 2011, the actuarial value of the Fund's assets shall be equal to the market value of the assets as of that date.

(2) In determining the actuarial value of the Fund's

assets for fiscal years after March 30, 2011, any actuarial gains or losses from investment return incurred in a fiscal year shall be recognized in equal annual amounts over the 5-year period following that fiscal year.

(a-7) If the city fails to transmit to the Fund contributions required of it under this Article for more than 90 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Fund may, after giving notice to the city, certify to the State Comptroller the amounts of the delinquent payments, and the Comptroller must, beginning in fiscal year 2016, deduct and deposit into the Fund the certified amounts or a portion of those amounts from the following proportions of grants of State funds to the city:

(1) in fiscal year 2016, one-third of the total amount of any grants of State funds to the city;

(2) in fiscal year 2017, two-thirds of the total amount of any grants of State funds to the city; and

(3) in fiscal year 2018 and each fiscal year thereafter, the total amount of any grants of State funds to the city.

The State Comptroller may not deduct from any grants of State funds to the city more than the amount of delinquent payments certified to the State Comptroller by the Fund.

(b) The taxes shall be levied and collected in like manner with the general taxes of the city, and shall be in addition to all other taxes which the city may levy upon all taxable Public Act 096-1495

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property therein and shall be exclusive of and in addition to the amount of tax the city may levy for general purposes under Section 8-3-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code, approved May 29, 1961, as amended, or under any other law or laws which may limit the amount of tax which the city may levy for general purposes.

(c) The amounts of the taxes to be levied in each year shall be certified to the city council by the board.

(d) As soon as any revenue derived from such taxes is collected, it shall be paid to the city treasurer and held for the benefit of the fund, and all such revenue shall be paid into the fund in accordance with the provisions of this Article.

(e) If the funds available are insufficient during any year to meet the requirements of this Article, the city may issue tax anticipation warrants, against the tax levies herein authorized for the current fiscal year.

(f) The various sums, hereinafter stated, including interest, to be contributed by the city, shall be taken from the revenue derived from the taxes or otherwise as expressly provided in this Section. Except for defraying the cost of administration of the fund during the calendar year in which a city first attains a population of 500,000 and comes under the provisions of this Article and the first calendar year thereafter, any money of the city derived from any source other than these taxes or the sale of tax anticipation warrants shall

not be used to provide revenue for the fund, nor to pay any part of the cost of administration thereof, unless applied to make the deposit expressly authorized in this Section or the additional city contributions required under subsection (h).

(g) In lieu of levying all or a portion of the tax required under this Section in any year, the city may deposit with the city treasurer no later than March 1 of that year for the benefit of the fund, to be held in accordance with this Article, an amount that, together with the taxes levied under this Section for that year, is not less than the amount of the city contributions for that year as certified by the board to the city council. The deposit may be derived from any source legally available for that purpose, including, but not limited to, the proceeds of city borrowings. The making of a deposit shall satisfy fully the requirements of this Section for that year to the extent of the amounts so deposited. Amounts deposited under this subsection may be used by the fund for any of the purposes for which the proceeds of the taxes levied under this Section may be used, including the payment of any amount that is otherwise required by this Article to be paid from the proceeds of those taxes.

(h) In addition to the contributions required under the other provisions of this Article, by November 1 of the following specified years, the city shall deposit with the city treasurer for the benefit of the fund, to be held and used in accordance with this Article, the following specified amounts:

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\$6,300,000 in 1999; \$5,880,000 in 2000; \$5,460,000 in 2001; \$5,040,000 in 2002; and \$4,620,000 in 2003.

The additional city contributions required under this subsection are intended to decrease the unfunded liability of the fund and shall not decrease the amount of the city contributions required under the other provisions of this Article. The additional city contributions made under this subsection may be used by the fund for any of its lawful purposes.

(Source: P.A. 93-654, eff. 1-16-04.)

(40 ILCS 5/6-229 new)

Sec. 6-229. Provisions applicable to new hires.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the provisions of this Section apply to a person who first becomes a fireman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011.

(b) A fireman age 55 or more who has 10 or more years of service in that capacity shall be entitled at his option to receive a monthly retirement annuity for his service as a fireman computed by multiplying 2.5% for each year of such service by his or her final average salary.

The retirement annuity of a fireman who is retiring after attaining age 50 with 10 or more years of creditable service shall be reduced by one-half of 1% for each month that the fireman's age is under age 55.

The maximum retirement annuity under this subsection (b) shall be 75% of final average salary.

For the purposes of this subsection (b), "final average salary" means the average monthly salary obtained by dividing the total salary of the fireman during the 96 consecutive months of service within the last 120 months of service in which the total salary was the highest by the number of months of service in that period.

Beginning on January 1, 2011, for all purposes under this Code (including without limitation the calculation of benefits and employee contributions), the annual salary based on the plan year of a member or participant to whom this Section applies shall not exceed \$106,800; however, that amount shall annually thereafter be increased by the lesser of (i) 3% of that amount, including all previous adjustments, or (ii) one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, including all previous adjustments.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, for a person who first becomes a fireman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011, the annuity to which the surviving spouse, children, or parents are entitled under this subsection (c) shall be in the amount of 66 2/3% of the fireman's earned pension at the date of death.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the

monthly annuity of a survivor of a person who first becomes a fireman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 after attainment of age 60 by the recipient of the survivor's pension and each January 1 thereafter by 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted survivor's annuity. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the annuity shall not be increased.

(40 ILCS 5/7-142.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 7-142.1)

Sec. 7-142.1. Sheriff's law enforcement employees.

(a) In lieu of the retirement annuity provided by subparagraph 1 of paragraph (a) of Section 7-142:

Any sheriff's law enforcement employee who has 20 or more years of service in that capacity and who terminates service prior to January 1, 1988 shall be entitled at his option to receive a monthly retirement annuity for his service as a sheriff's law enforcement employee computed by multiplying 2% for each year of such service up to 10 years, 2 1/4% for each year of such service above 10 years and up to 20 years, and 2 1/2% for each year of such service above 20 years, by his annual final rate of earnings and dividing by 12. Public Act 096-1495

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Any sheriff's law enforcement employee who has 20 or more years of service in that capacity and who terminates service on or after January 1, 1988 and before July 1, 2004 shall be entitled at his option to receive a monthly retirement annuity for his service as a sheriff's law enforcement employee computed by multiplying 2.5% for each year of such service up to 20 years, 2% for each year of such service above 20 years and up to 30 years, and 1% for each year of such service above 30 years, by his annual final rate of earnings and dividing by 12.

Any sheriff's law enforcement employee who has 20 or more years of service in that capacity and who terminates service on or after July 1, 2004 shall be entitled at his or her option to receive a monthly retirement annuity for service as a sheriff's law enforcement employee computed by multiplying 2.5% for each year of such service by his annual final rate of earnings and dividing by 12.

If a sheriff's law enforcement employee has service in any other capacity, his retirement annuity for service as a sheriff's law enforcement employee may be computed under this Section and the retirement annuity for his other service under Section 7-142.

In no case shall the total monthly retirement annuity for persons who retire before July 1, 2004 exceed 75% of the monthly final rate of earnings. In no case shall the total monthly retirement annuity for persons who retire on or after

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July 1, 2004 exceed 80% of the monthly final rate of earnings.

(b) Whenever continued group insurance coverage is elected in accordance with the provisions of Section 367h of the Illinois Insurance Code, as now or hereafter amended, the total monthly premium for such continued group insurance coverage or such portion thereof as is not paid by the municipality shall, upon request of the person electing such continued group insurance coverage, be deducted from any monthly pension benefit otherwise payable to such person pursuant to this Section, to be remitted by the Fund to the insurance company or other entity providing the group insurance coverage.

(c) A sheriff's law enforcement employee who has service in any other capacity may convert up to 10 years of that service into service as a sheriff's law enforcement employee by paying to the Fund an amount equal to (1) the additional employee contribution required under Section 7-173.1, plus (2) the additional employer contribution required under Section 7-172, plus (3) interest on items (1) and (2) at the prescribed rate from the date of the service to the date of payment.

(d) The changes to subsections (a) and (b) of this Section made by this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly apply only to persons in service on or after July 1, 2004. In the case of such a person who begins to receive a retirement annuity before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly, the annuity shall be recalculated prospectively to reflect those changes, with the resulting

increase beginning to accrue on the first annuity payment date following the effective date of this amendatory Act.

(e) Any elected county officer who was entitled to receive a stipend from the State on or after July 1, 2009 and on or before June 30, 2010 may establish earnings credit for the amount of stipend not received, if the elected county official applies in writing to the fund within 6 months after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly and pays to the fund an amount equal to (i) employee contributions on the amount of stipend not received, (ii) employer contributions determined by the Board equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit on the amount of stipend not received, plus (iii) interest on items (i) and (ii) at the actuarially assumed rate.

(f) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the provisions of this subsection (f) apply to a person who first becomes a sheriff's law enforcement employee under this Article on or after January 1, 2011.

A sheriff's law enforcement employee age 55 or more who has 10 or more years of service in that capacity shall be entitled at his option to receive a monthly retirement annuity for his or her service as a sheriff's law enforcement employee computed by multiplying 2.5% for each year of such service by his or her final rate of earnings.

The retirement annuity of a sheriff's law enforcement employee who is retiring after attaining age 50 with 10 or more years of creditable service shall be reduced by one-half of 1% for each month that the sheriff's law enforcement employee's age is under age 55.

The maximum retirement annuity under this subsection (f) shall be 75% of final rate of earnings.

For the purposes of this subsection (f), "final rate of earnings" means the average monthly earnings obtained by dividing the total salary of the sheriff's law enforcement employee during the 96 consecutive months of service within the last 120 months of service in which the total earnings was the highest by the number of months of service in that period.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, beginning on January 1, 2011, for all purposes under this Code (including without limitation the calculation of benefits and employee contributions), the annual earnings of a sheriff's law enforcement employee to whom this Section applies shall not include overtime and shall not exceed \$106,800; however, that amount shall annually thereafter be increased by the lesser of (i) 3% of that amount, including all previous adjustments, or (ii) one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, including all previous adjustments.

(g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the monthly annuity of a person who first becomes a sheriff's law enforcement employee under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 occurring either on or after the attainment of age 60 or the first anniversary of the annuity start date, whichever is later. Each annual increase shall be calculated at 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted retirement annuity. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the annuity shall not be increased.

(h) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, for a person who first becomes a sheriff's law enforcement employee under this Article on or after January 1, 2011, the annuity to which the surviving spouse, children, or parents are entitled under this subsection (h) shall be in the amount of 66 2/3% of the sheriff's law enforcement employee's earned annuity at the date of death.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the monthly annuity of a survivor of a person who first becomes a sheriff's law enforcement employee under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 after attainment of age 60 by the recipient of the survivor's annuity and each January 1 thereafter by 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted pension. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the annuity shall not be increased.

(j) For the purposes of this Section, "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the pension funds.

(Source: P.A. 96-961, eff. 7-2-10.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January 1, 2011.