

## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 HB0416

Introduced 2/8/2021, by Rep. Kelly M. Burke

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/9-158

from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 9-158

Amends the Cook County Article of the Illinois Pension Code. In a provision concerning proof of disability, provides that proof of duty or ordinary disability shall be furnished to the board by at least one licensed and practicing physician appointed by or acceptable to the board (instead of appointed by the board). Provides that each disabled employee who receives a duty or ordinary disability benefit shall be examined at least once a year or a longer period of time as determined by the board (instead of at least once a year).

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1 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 Section 9-158 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/9-158) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 9-158)

Sec. 9-158. Proof of disability, duty and ordinary. Proof of duty or ordinary disability shall be furnished to the board by at least one licensed and practicing physician appointed by or acceptable to the board, except that this requirement may be waived by the board for proof of duty disability if the been compensated by the county for such employee has disability or specific loss under the Workers' Compensation Act or Workers' Occupational Diseases Act. The physician requirement may also be waived by the board for ordinary disability maternity claims of up to 8 weeks. With respect to duty disability, satisfactory proof must be provided to the board that the final adjudication of the claim required under subsection (d) of Section 9-159 established that disability or death resulted from an injury incurred in the performance of an act or acts of duty. The board may require other evidence of disability. Each disabled employee who receives duty or ordinary disability benefit shall be examined

- 1 at least once a year or a longer period of time as determined
- 2 <u>by the board,</u> by one or more licensed and practicing
- 3 physicians appointed by the board. When the disability ceases,
- 4 the board shall discontinue payment of the benefit.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 99-578, eff. 7-15-16.)