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 Sections 1-160, 14-110, and 14-152.1 as follows:
- 6 (40 ILCS 5/1-160)
- 7 Sec. 1-160. Provisions applicable to new hires.
- 8 (a) The provisions of this Section apply to a person who, 9 on or after January 1, 2011, first becomes a member or a participant under any reciprocal retirement system or pension 10 fund established under this Code, other than a retirement 11 12 system or pension fund established under Article 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 15, or 18 of this Code, notwithstanding any other provision 13 14 of this Code to the contrary, but do not apply to any self-managed plan established under this Code or to any 15 16 participant of the retirement plan established under Section 22-101; except that this Section applies to a person who 17 elected to establish alternative credits by electing in 18 19 writing after January 1, 2011, but before August 8, 2011, under Section 7-145.1 of this Code. Notwithstanding anything 20 21 to the contrary in this Section, for purposes of this Section, 22 a person who is a Tier 1 regular employee as defined in Section 7-109.4 of this Code or who participated in a retirement 23

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system under Article 15 prior to January 1, 2011 shall be deemed a person who first became a member or participant prior to January 1, 2011 under any retirement system or pension fund subject to this Section. The changes made to this Section by Public Act 98-596 are a clarification of existing law and are intended to be retroactive to January 1, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96-889), notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1-103.1 of this Code.

This Section does not apply to a person who first becomes a noncovered employee under Article 14 on or after the implementation date of the plan created under Section 1-161 for that Article, unless that person elects under subsection (b) of Section 1-161 to instead receive the benefits provided under this Section and the applicable provisions of that Article.

This Section does not apply to a person who first becomes a member or participant under Article 16 on or after the implementation date of the plan created under Section 1-161 for that Article, unless that person elects under subsection (b) of Section 1-161 to instead receive the benefits provided under this Section and the applicable provisions of that Article.

This Section does not apply to a person who elects under subsection (c-5) of Section 1-161 to receive the benefits under Section 1-161.

This Section does not apply to a person who first becomes a

- member or participant of an affected pension fund on or after 6 months after the resolution or ordinance date, as defined in Section 1-162, unless that person elects under subsection (c) of Section 1-162 to receive the benefits provided under this Section and the applicable provisions of the Article under which he or she is a member or participant.
 - (b) "Final average salary" means, except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the average monthly (or annual) salary obtained by dividing the total salary or earnings calculated under the Article applicable to the member or participant during the 96 consecutive months (or 8 consecutive years) of service within the last 120 months (or 10 years) of service in which the total salary or earnings calculated under the applicable Article was the highest by the number of months (or years) of service in that period. For the purposes of a person who first becomes a member or participant of any retirement system or pension fund to which this Section applies on or after January 1, 2011, in this Code, "final average salary" shall be substituted for the following:
 - (1) (Blank).
- 21 (2) In Articles 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12, "highest average 22 annual salary for any 4 consecutive years within the last 23 10 years of service immediately preceding the date of 24 withdrawal".
 - (3) In Article 13, "average final salary".
 - (4) In Article 14, "final average compensation".

- 1 (5) In Article 17, "average salary".
- 2 (6) In Section 22-207, "wages or salary received by him at the date of retirement or discharge".

A member of the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois who retires on or after June 1, 2021 and for whom the 2020-2021 school year is used in the calculation of the member's final average salary shall use the higher of the following for the purpose of determining the member's final average salary:

- (A) the amount otherwise calculated under the first paragraph of this subsection; or
- (B) an amount calculated by the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois using the average of the monthly (or annual) salary obtained by dividing the total salary or earnings calculated under Article 16 applicable to the member or participant during the 96 months (or 8 years) of service within the last 120 months (or 10 years) of service in which the total salary or earnings calculated under the Article was the highest by the number of months (or years) of service in that period.
- (b-5) Beginning on January 1, 2011, for all purposes under this Code (including without limitation the calculation of benefits and employee contributions), the annual earnings, salary, or wages (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

4 price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September

5 preceding each November 1, including all previous adjustments.

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 retirement systems and pension funds by November 1 of each year.

(c) A member or participant is entitled to a retirement annuity upon written application if he or she has attained age 67 (age 65, with respect to service under Article 12 that is subject to this Section, for a member or participant under Article 12 who first becomes a member or participant under Article 12 on or after January 1, 2022 or who makes the election under item (i) of subsection (d-15) of this Section) and has at least 10 years of service credit and is otherwise eligible under the requirements of the applicable Article.

A member or participant who has attained age 62 (age 60, with respect to service under Article 12 that is subject to

- this Section, for a member or participant under Article 12 who
 first becomes a member or participant under Article 12 on or
 after January 1, 2022 or who makes the election under item (i)
 of subsection (d-15) of this Section) and has at least 10 years
 of service credit and is otherwise eligible under the
 requirements of the applicable Article may elect to receive
 the lower retirement annuity provided in subsection (d) of
 this Section.
 - (c-5) A person who first becomes a member or a participant subject to this Section on or after July 6, 2017 (the effective date of Public Act 100-23), notwithstanding any other provision of this Code to the contrary, is entitled to a retirement annuity under Article 8 or Article 11 upon written application if he or she has attained age 65 and has at least 10 years of service credit and is otherwise eligible under the requirements of Article 8 or Article 11 of this Code, whichever is applicable.
 - (d) The retirement annuity of a member or participant who is retiring after attaining age 62 (age 60, with respect to service under Article 12 that is subject to this Section, for a member or participant under Article 12 who first becomes a member or participant under Article 12 on or after January 1, 2022 or who makes the election under item (i) of subsection (d-15) of this Section) with at least 10 years of service credit shall be reduced by one-half of 1% for each full month that the member's age is under age 67 (age 65, with respect to

- service under Article 12 that is subject to this Section, for a
 member or participant under Article 12 who first becomes a
 member or participant under Article 12 on or after January 1,
 2022 or who makes the election under item (i) of subsection
 (d-15) of this Section).
 - (d-5) The retirement annuity payable under Article 8 or Article 11 to an eligible person subject to subsection (c-5) of this Section who is retiring at age 60 with at least 10 years of service credit shall be reduced by one-half of 1% for each full month that the member's age is under age 65.
 - (d-10) Each person who first became a member or participant under Article 8 or Article 11 of this Code on or after January 1, 2011 and prior to <u>July 6, 2017</u> (the effective date of <u>Public Act 100-23)</u> this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly shall make an irrevocable election either:
 - (i) to be eligible for the reduced retirement age provided in subsections (c-5) and (d-5) of this Section, the eligibility for which is conditioned upon the member or participant agreeing to the increases in employee contributions for age and service annuities provided in subsection (a-5) of Section 8-174 of this Code (for service under Article 8) or subsection (a-5) of Section 11-170 of this Code (for service under Article 11); or
 - (ii) to not agree to item (i) of this subsection (d-10), in which case the member or participant shall continue to be subject to the retirement age provisions in

subsections (c) and (d) of this Section and the employee contributions for age and service annuity as provided in subsection (a) of Section 8-174 of this Code (for service under Article 8) or subsection (a) of Section 11-170 of this Code (for service under Article 11).

The election provided for in this subsection shall be made between October 1, 2017 and November 15, 2017. A person subject to this subsection who makes the required election shall remain bound by that election. A person subject to this subsection who fails for any reason to make the required election within the time specified in this subsection shall be deemed to have made the election under item (ii).

- (d-15) Each person who first becomes a member or participant under Article 12 on or after January 1, 2011 and prior to January 1, 2022 shall make an irrevocable election either:
 - (i) to be eligible for the reduced retirement age specified in subsections (c) and (d) of this Section, the eligibility for which is conditioned upon the member or participant agreeing to the increase in employee contributions for service annuities specified in subsection (b) of Section 12-150; or
 - (ii) to not agree to item (i) of this subsection (d-15), in which case the member or participant shall not be eligible for the reduced retirement age specified in subsections (c) and (d) of this Section and shall not be

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subject to the increase in employee contributions for service annuities specified in subsection (b) of Section 12-150.

The election provided for in this subsection shall be made between January 1, 2022 and April 1, 2022. A person subject to this subsection who makes the required election shall remain bound by that election. A person subject to this subsection who fails for any reason to make the required election within the time specified in this subsection shall be deemed to have made the election under item (ii).

(e) Any retirement annuity or supplemental annuity shall be subject to annual increases on the January 1 occurring either on or after the attainment of age 67 (age 65, with respect to service under Article 12 that is subject to this Section, for a member or participant under Article 12 who first becomes a member or participant under Article 12 on or after January 1, 2022 or who makes the election under item (i) of subsection (d-15); and beginning on July 6, 2017 (the effective date of Public Act 100-23) this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly, age 65 with respect to service under Article 8 or Article 11 for eligible persons who: (i) are subject to subsection (c-5) of this Section; or (ii) made the election under item (i) of subsection (d-10) of this Section) 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 the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1 is zero or there is a decrease, then the annuity shall not be increased.

For the purposes of Section 1-103.1 of this Code, the changes made to this Section by <u>Public Act 102-263</u> this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly are applicable without regard to whether the employee was in active service on or after <u>August 6, 2021</u> (the effective date of <u>Public Act 102-263</u>) this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly.

For the purposes of Section 1-103.1 of this Code, the changes made to this Section by <u>Public Act 100-23</u> this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly are applicable without regard to whether the employee was in active service on or after <u>July 6, 2017</u> (the effective date of <u>Public Act 100-23</u>) this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly.

(f) The initial survivor's or widow's annuity of an otherwise eligible survivor or widow of a retired member or participant who first became a member or participant on or after January 1, 2011 shall be in the amount of 66 2/3% of the retired member's or participant's retirement annuity at the date of death. In the case of the death of a member or participant who has not retired and who first became a member

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or participant on or after January 1, 2011, eligibility for a survivor's or widow's annuity shall be determined by the applicable Article of this Code. The initial benefit shall be 66 2/3% of the earned annuity without a reduction due to age. A child's annuity of an otherwise eligible child shall be in the amount prescribed under each Article if applicable. Any survivor's or widow's annuity shall be increased (1) on each January 1 occurring on or after the commencement of the annuity if the deceased member died while receiving a retirement annuity or (2) in other cases, on each January 1 occurring after the first anniversary of the commencement of the annuity. 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 survivor's annuity. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1 is zero or there is a decrease, then the annuity shall not be increased.

(g) The benefits in Section 14-110 apply only if the person is a State policeman, a fire fighter in the fire protection service of a department, a conservation police officer, an investigator for the Secretary of State, an investigator for the Attorney General, an arson investigator, a Commerce Commission police officer,

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investigator for the Department of Revenue or the Illinois Gaming Board, a security employee of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Juvenile Justice, or a security employee of the Department of Innovation Technology, as those terms are defined in subsection (b) and subsection (c) of Section 14-110. A person who meets the requirements of this Section is entitled to an annuity calculated under the provisions of Section 14-110, in lieu of the regular or minimum retirement annuity, only if the person has withdrawn from service with not less than 20 years of eligible creditable service and has attained age 60, regardless of whether the attainment of age 60 occurs while the person is still in service.

(h) If a person who first becomes a member or a participant of a retirement system or pension fund subject to this Section on or after January 1, 2011 is receiving a retirement annuity or retirement pension under that system or fund and becomes a member or participant under any other system or fund created by this Code and is employed on a full-time basis, except for those members or participants exempted from the provisions of this Section under subsection (a) of this Section, then the person's retirement annuity or retirement pension under that system or fund shall be suspended during that employment. Upon termination of that employment, the person's retirement annuity or retirement pension payments shall resume and be recalculated if recalculation is provided for under the

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1 applicable Article of this Code.

If a person who first becomes a member of a retirement system or pension fund subject to this Section on or after January 1, 2012 and is receiving a retirement annuity or retirement pension under that system or fund and accepts on a contractual basis a position to provide services to a governmental entity from which he or she has retired, then that person's annuity or retirement pension earned as an active employee of the employer shall be suspended during that contractual service. A person receiving an annuity or retirement pension under this Code shall notify the pension fund or retirement system from which he or she is receiving an annuity or retirement pension, as well as his or her contractual employer, of his or her retirement status before accepting contractual employment. A person who fails to submit such notification shall be quilty of a Class A misdemeanor and required to pay a fine of \$1,000. Upon termination of that contractual employment, the person's retirement annuity or retirement pension payments shall resume and, if appropriate, be recalculated under the applicable provisions of this Code.

- 21 (i) (Blank).
- 22 (j) In the case of a conflict between the provisions of 23 this Section and any other provision of this Code, the 24 provisions of this Section shall control.
- 25 (Source: P.A. 101-610, eff. 1-1-20; 102-16, eff. 6-17-21;
- 26 102-210, eff. 1-1-22; 102-263, eff. 8-6-21; revised 9-28-21.)

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- (40 ILCS 5/14-110) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 14-110) 1
- 2 Sec. 14-110. Alternative retirement annuity.
 - (a) Any member who has withdrawn from service with not less than 20 years of eligible creditable service and has attained age 55, and any member who has withdrawn from service with not less than 25 years of eligible creditable service and has attained age 50, regardless of whether the attainment of either of the specified ages occurs while the member is still in service, shall be entitled to receive at the option of the member, in lieu of the regular or minimum retirement annuity, a retirement annuity computed as follows:
 - (i) for periods of service as a noncovered employee: if retirement occurs on or after January 1, 2001, 3% of final average compensation for each year of creditable service; if retirement occurs before January 1, 2001, 2 1/4% of final average compensation for each of the first 10 years of creditable service, 2 1/2% for each year above 10 years to and including 20 years of creditable service, and 2 3/4% for each year of creditable service above 20 years; and
 - (ii) for periods of eligible creditable service as a covered employee: if retirement occurs on or after January 1, 2001, 2.5% of final average compensation for each year of creditable service; if retirement occurs before January 1, 2001, 1.67% of final average compensation for each of

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1	the first 10 years of such service, 1.90% for each of the
2	next 10 years of such service, 2.10% for each year of such
3	service in excess of 20 but not exceeding 30, and 2.30% for
4	each year in excess of 30.

Such annuity shall be subject to a maximum of 75% of final average compensation if retirement occurs before January 1, 2001 or to a maximum of 80% of final average compensation if retirement occurs on or after January 1, 2001.

These rates shall not be applicable to any service performed by a member as a covered employee which is not eligible creditable service. Service as a covered employee which is not eligible creditable service shall be subject to the rates and provisions of Section 14-108.

- (b) For the purpose of this Section, "eligible creditable service" means creditable service resulting from service in one or more of the following positions:
 - (1) State policeman;
- (2) fire fighter in the fire protection service of a 18 19 department;
- 20 (3) air pilot;
- 21 (4) special agent;
- 22 (5) investigator for the Secretary of State;
- 23 (6) conservation police officer;
- (7) investigator for the Department of Revenue or the 24 25 Illinois Gaming Board;
- 26 (8) security employee of the Department of Human

1	Services;
2	(9) Central Management Services security police
3	officer;
4	(10) security employee of the Department of
5	Corrections or the Department of Juvenile Justice;
6	(11) dangerous drugs investigator;
7	(12) investigator for the Illinois State Police;
8	(13) investigator for the Office of the Attorney
9	General;
10	(14) controlled substance inspector;
11	(15) investigator for the Office of the State's
12	Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor;
13	(16) Commerce Commission police officer;
14	(17) arson investigator;
15	(18) State highway maintenance worker;
16	(19) security employee of the Department of Innovation
17	and Technology; or
18	(20) transferred employee.
19	A person employed in one of the positions specified in
20	this subsection is entitled to eligible creditable service for
21	service credit earned under this Article while undergoing the
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22 basic police training course approved by the Illinois Law 23 Enforcement Training Standards Board, if completion of that training is required of persons serving in that position. For 24 the purposes of this Code, service during the required basic 25 26 police training course shall be deemed performance of the

duties of the specified position, even though the person is not a sworn peace officer at the time of the training.

A person under paragraph (20) is entitled to eligible creditable service for service credit earned under this Article on and after his or her transfer by Executive Order No. 2003-10, Executive Order No. 2004-2, or Executive Order No. 2016-1.

- (c) For the purposes of this Section:
- (1) The term "State policeman" includes any title or position in the Illinois State Police that is held by an individual employed under the Illinois State Police Act.
- (2) The term "fire fighter in the fire protection service of a department" includes all officers in such fire protection service including fire chiefs and assistant fire chiefs.
- official job description on file in the Department of Central Management Services, or in the department by which he is employed if that department is not covered by the Personnel Code, states that his principal duty is the operation of aircraft, and who possesses a pilot's license; however, the change in this definition made by Public Act 83-842 this amendatory Act of 1983 shall not operate to exclude any noncovered employee who was an "air pilot" for the purposes of this Section on January 1, 1984.

- (4) The term "special agent" means any person who by reason of employment by the Division of Narcotic Control, the Bureau of Investigation or, after July 1, 1977, the Division of Criminal Investigation, the Division of Internal Investigation, the Division of Operations, the Division of Patrol Operations, or any other Division or organizational entity in the Illinois State Police is vested by law with duties to maintain public order, investigate violations of the criminal law of this State, enforce the laws of this State, make arrests and recover property. The term "special agent" includes any title or position in the Illinois State Police that is held by an individual employed under the Illinois State Police Act.
 - (5) The term "investigator for the Secretary of State" means any person employed by the Office of the Secretary of State and vested with such investigative duties as render him ineligible for coverage under the Social Security Act by reason of Sections 218(d)(5)(A), 218(d)(8)(D) and 218(1)(1) of that Act.

A person who became employed as an investigator for the Secretary of State between January 1, 1967 and December 31, 1975, and who has served as such until attainment of age 60, either continuously or with a single break in service of not more than 3 years duration, which break terminated before January 1, 1976, shall be entitled to have his retirement annuity calculated in accordance

with subsection (a), notwithstanding that he has less than 20 years of credit for such service.

- (6) The term "Conservation Police Officer" means any person employed by the Division of Law Enforcement of the Department of Natural Resources and vested with such law enforcement duties as render him ineligible for coverage under the Social Security Act by reason of Sections 218(d)(5)(A), 218(d)(8)(D), and 218(l)(1) of that Act. The term "Conservation Police Officer" includes the positions of Chief Conservation Police Administrator and Assistant Conservation Police Administrator.
- (7) The term "investigator for the Department of Revenue" means any person employed by the Department of Revenue and vested with such investigative duties as render him ineligible for coverage under the Social Security Act by reason of Sections 218(d)(5)(A), 218(d)(8)(D) and 218(1)(1) of that Act.

The term "investigator for the Illinois Gaming Board" means any person employed as such by the Illinois Gaming Board and vested with such peace officer duties as render the person ineligible for coverage under the Social Security Act by reason of Sections 218(d)(5)(A), 218(d)(8)(D), and 218(1)(1) of that Act.

(8) The term "security employee of the Department of Human Services" means any person employed by the Department of Human Services who (i) is employed at the

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Chester Mental Health Center and has daily contact with the residents thereof, (ii) is employed within a security unit at a facility operated by the Department and has daily contact with the residents of the security unit, (iii) is employed at a facility operated by the Department that includes a security unit and is regularly scheduled to work at least 50% of his or her working hours within that security unit, or (iv) is a mental health police officer. "Mental health police officer" means any person employed by the Department of Human Services in a position pertaining to the Department's mental health and developmental disabilities functions who is vested with enforcement duties law as render the ineligible for coverage under the Social Security Act by reason of Sections 218(d)(5)(A), 218 (d) (8) (D) 218(1)(1) of that Act. "Security unit" means that portion of a facility that is devoted to the care, containment, and treatment of persons committed to the Department of Human Services as sexually violent persons, persons unfit to stand trial, or persons not guilty by reason of insanity. With respect to past employment, references to the Department of Human Services include its predecessor, the Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities.

The changes made to this subdivision (c)(8) by Public Act 92-14 apply to persons who retire on or after January

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- 1, 2001, notwithstanding Section 1-103.1.
 - (9) "Central Management Services security police officer" means any person employed by the Department of Central Management Services who is vested with such law enforcement duties as render him ineligible for coverage under the Social Security Act by reason of Sections 218(d)(5)(A), 218(d)(8)(D) and 218(1)(1) of that Act.
 - (10) For a member who first became an employee under this Article before July 1, 2005, the term "security emplovee of the Department of Corrections or Department of Juvenile Justice" means any employee of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Juvenile Justice or the former Department of Personnel, and any member or employee of the Prisoner Review Board, who has daily contact with inmates or youth by working within a correctional facility or Juvenile facility operated by the Department of Juvenile Justice or who is a parole officer or an employee who has direct contact with committed persons in the performance of his or her job duties. For a member who first becomes an employee under this Article on or after July 1, 2005, the term means an employee of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Juvenile Justice who is any of the following: (i) officially headquartered at a correctional facility or Juvenile facility operated by the Department of Juvenile Justice, (ii) a parole officer, (iii) a member of the apprehension

- unit, (iv) a member of the intelligence unit, (v) a member of the sort team, or (vi) an investigator.
 - (11) The term "dangerous drugs investigator" means any person who is employed as such by the Department of Human Services.
 - (12) The term "investigator for the Illinois State Police" means a person employed by the Illinois State Police who is vested under Section 4 of the Narcotic Control Division Abolition Act with such law enforcement powers as render him ineligible for coverage under the Social Security Act by reason of Sections 218(d)(5)(A), 218(d)(8)(D) and 218(l)(1) of that Act.
 - General" means any person who is employed as such by the Office of the Attorney General and is vested with such investigative duties as render him ineligible for coverage under the Social Security Act by reason of Sections 218(d)(5)(A), 218(d)(8)(D) and 218(l)(1) of that Act. For the period before January 1, 1989, the term includes all persons who were employed as investigators by the Office of the Attorney General, without regard to social security status.
 - (14) "Controlled substance inspector" means any person who is employed as such by the Department of Professional Regulation and is vested with such law enforcement duties as render him ineligible for coverage under the Social

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218 (d) (5) (A), Security Act by reason of Sections 218(1)(1) of 218 (d) (8) (D) and that Act. The term "controlled substance inspector" includes the Executive of Enforcement and the Assistant Program Executive of Enforcement.

- (15) The term "investigator for the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor" means a person employed in that capacity on a <u>full-time</u> full time basis under the authority of Section 7.06 of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor's Act.
- (16) "Commerce Commission police officer" means any person employed by the Illinois Commerce Commission who is vested with such law enforcement duties as render him ineligible for coverage under the Social Security Act by reason of Sections 218(d)(5)(A), 218(d)(8)(D), and 218(1)(1) of that Act.
- (17) "Arson investigator" means any person who is employed as such by the Office of the State Fire Marshal and is vested with such law enforcement duties as render the person ineligible for coverage under the Social Security Act by reason of Sections 218 (d) (5) (A), 218(d)(8)(D), and 218(l)(1) of that Act. A person who was employed as an arson investigator on January 1, 1995 and is no longer in service but not yet receiving a retirement annuity may convert his or her creditable service for employment as an arson investigator into eligible

creditable service by paying to the System the difference between the employee contributions actually paid for that service and the amounts that would have been contributed if the applicant were contributing at the rate applicable to persons with the same social security status earning eligible creditable service on the date of application.

- (18) The term "State highway maintenance worker" means a person who is either of the following:
 - (i) A person employed on a full-time basis by the Illinois Department of Transportation in the position of highway maintainer, highway maintenance lead worker, highway maintenance lead/lead worker, heavy construction equipment operator, power shovel operator, or bridge mechanic; and whose principal responsibility is to perform, on the roadway, the actual maintenance necessary to keep the highways that form a part of the State highway system in serviceable condition for vehicular traffic.
 - (ii) A person employed on a full-time basis by the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority in the position of equipment operator/laborer H-4, equipment operator/laborer H-6, welder H-4, welder H-6, mechanical/electrical H-4, mechanical/electrical H-6, water/sewer H-4, water/sewer H-6, sign maker/hanger H-4, sign maker/hanger H-6, roadway lighting H-4, roadway lighting H-6, structural H-6,

painter H-4, or painter H-6; and whose principal responsibility is to perform, on the roadway, the actual maintenance necessary to keep the Authority's tollways in serviceable condition for vehicular traffic.

- (19) The term "security employee of the Department of Innovation and Technology" means a person who was a security employee of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Juvenile Justice, was transferred to the Department of Innovation and Technology pursuant to Executive Order 2016-01, and continues to perform similar job functions under that Department.
- (20) "Transferred employee" means an employee who was transferred to the Department of Central Management Services by Executive Order No. 2003-10 or Executive Order No. 2004-2 or transferred to the Department of Innovation and Technology by Executive Order No. 2016-1, or both, and was entitled to eligible creditable service for services immediately preceding the transfer.
- (d) A security employee of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Juvenile Justice, a security employee of the Department of Human Services who is not a mental health police officer, and a security employee of the Department of Innovation and Technology shall not be eligible for the alternative retirement annuity provided by this Section unless he or she meets the following minimum age and service

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- 2 (i) 25 years of eligible creditable service and age 55; or 3
 - (ii) beginning January 1, 1987, 25 years of eligible creditable service and age 54, or 24 years of eligible creditable service and age 55; or
 - (iii) beginning January 1, 1988, 25 years of eligible creditable service and age 53, or 23 years of eligible creditable service and age 55; or
 - (iv) beginning January 1, 1989, 25 years of eligible creditable service and age 52, or 22 years of eligible creditable service and age 55; or
 - (v) beginning January 1, 1990, 25 years of eligible creditable service and age 51, or 21 years of eligible creditable service and age 55; or
 - (vi) beginning January 1, 1991, 25 years of eligible creditable service and age 50, or 20 years of eligible creditable service and age 55.

Persons who have service credit under Article 16 of this Code for service as a security employee of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Juvenile Justice, or the Department of Human Services in a position requiring certification as a teacher may count such service toward establishing their eligibility under the service requirements of this Section; but such service may be used only for establishing such eligibility, and not for the purpose of

- increasing or calculating any benefit.
 - (e) If a member enters military service while working in a position in which eligible creditable service may be earned, and returns to State service in the same or another such position, and fulfills in all other respects the conditions prescribed in this Article for credit for military service, such military service shall be credited as eligible creditable service for the purposes of the retirement annuity prescribed in this Section.
 - (f) For purposes of calculating retirement annuities under this Section, periods of service rendered after December 31, 1968 and before October 1, 1975 as a covered employee in the position of special agent, conservation police officer, mental health police officer, or investigator for the Secretary of State, shall be deemed to have been service as a noncovered employee, provided that the employee pays to the System prior to retirement an amount equal to (1) the difference between the employee contributions that would have been required for such service as a noncovered employee, and the amount of employee contributions actually paid, plus (2) if payment is made after July 31, 1987, regular interest on the amount specified in item (1) from the date of service to the date of payment.

For purposes of calculating retirement annuities under this Section, periods of service rendered after December 31, 1968 and before January 1, 1982 as a covered employee in the

position of investigator for the Department of Revenue shall be deemed to have been service as a noncovered employee, provided that the employee pays to the System prior to retirement an amount equal to (1) the difference between the employee contributions that would have been required for such service as a noncovered employee, and the amount of employee contributions actually paid, plus (2) if payment is made after January 1, 1990, regular interest on the amount specified in item (1) from the date of service to the date of payment.

(g) A State policeman may elect, not later than January 1, 1990, to establish eligible creditable service for up to 10 years of his service as a policeman under Article 3, by filing a written election with the Board, accompanied by payment of an amount to be determined by the Board, equal to (i) the difference between the amount of employee and employer contributions transferred to the System under Section 3-110.5, and the amounts that would have been contributed had such contributions been made at the rates applicable to State policemen, plus (ii) interest thereon at the effective rate for each year, compounded annually, from the date of service to the date of payment.

Subject to the limitation in subsection (i), a State policeman may elect, not later than July 1, 1993, to establish eligible creditable service for up to 10 years of his service as a member of the County Police Department under Article 9, by filing a written election with the Board, accompanied by

payment of an amount to be determined by the Board, equal to (i) the difference between the amount of employee and employer contributions transferred to the System under Section 9-121.10 and the amounts that would have been contributed had those contributions been made at the rates applicable to State policemen, plus (ii) interest thereon at the effective rate for each year, compounded annually, from the date of service to the date of payment.

(h) Subject to the limitation in subsection (i), a State policeman or investigator for the Secretary of State may elect to establish eligible creditable service for up to 12 years of his service as a policeman under Article 5, by filing a written election with the Board on or before January 31, 1992, and paying to the System by January 31, 1994 an amount to be determined by the Board, equal to (i) the difference between the amount of employee and employer contributions transferred to the System under Section 5-236, and the amounts that would have been contributed had such contributions been made at the rates applicable to State policemen, plus (ii) interest thereon at the effective rate for each year, compounded annually, from the date of service to the date of payment.

Subject to the limitation in subsection (i), a State policeman, conservation police officer, or investigator for the Secretary of State may elect to establish eligible creditable service for up to 10 years of service as a sheriff's law enforcement employee under Article 7, by filing a written

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Subject to the limitation in subsection (i), a State policeman, conservation police officer, or investigator for the Secretary of State may elect to establish eligible creditable service for up to 5 years of service as a police officer under Article 3, a policeman under Article 5, a sheriff's law enforcement employee under Article 7, a member of the county police department under Article 9, or a police officer under Article 15 by filing a written election with the Board and paying to the System an amount to be determined by the Board, equal to (i) the difference between the amount of employee and employer contributions transferred to the System under Section 3-110.6, 5-236, 7-139.8, 9-121.10, or 15-134.4 and the amounts that would have been contributed had such contributions been made at the rates applicable to State policemen, plus (ii) interest thereon at the effective rate for each year, compounded annually, from the date of service to the date of payment.

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Subject to the limitation in subsection (i), a State policeman, conservation police officer, investigator for the Office of the Attorney General, an investigator for the Department of Revenue, or investigator for the Secretary of State may elect to establish eligible creditable service for up to 5 years of service as a person employed by a participating municipality to perform police duties, or law enforcement officer employed on a full-time basis by a forest

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preserve district under Article 7, a county corrections officer, or a court services officer under Article 9, by filing a written election with the Board within 6 months after August 25, 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 96-745) and paying to the System an amount to be determined by the Board, equal to (i) the difference between the amount of employee and employer contributions transferred to the System under Sections 7-139.8 and 9-121.10 and the amounts that would have been contributed had such contributions been made at the rates applicable to State policemen, plus (ii) interest thereon at the actuarially assumed rate for each year, compounded annually, from the date of service to the date of payment.

Subject to the limitation in subsection (i), a State policeman, arson investigator, or Commerce Commission police officer may elect to establish eligible creditable service for up to 5 years of service as a person employed by a participating municipality to perform police duties under Article 7, a county corrections officer, a court services officer under Article 9, or a firefighter under Article 4 by filing a written election with the Board within 6 months after July 30, 2021 (the effective date of Public Act 102-210) this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly and paying to the System an amount to be determined by the Board equal to (i) the difference between the amount of employee and emplover contributions transferred to the System under 4-108.8, 7-139.8, and 9-121.10 and the amounts that would have

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to the limitation in subsection (i), conservation police officer may elect to establish eligible creditable service for up to 5 years of service as a person employed by a participating municipality to perform police duties under Article 7, a county corrections officer, or a court services officer under Article 9 by filing a written election with the Board within 6 months after July 30, 2021 (the effective date of Public Act 102-210) this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly and paying to the System an amount to be determined by the Board equal to (i) the difference between the amount of employee and contributions transferred to the System under Sections 7-139.8 and 9-121.10 and the amounts that would have been contributed had such contributions been made at the rates applicable to State policemen, plus (ii) interest thereon at the actuarially assumed rate for each year, compounded annually, from the date of service to the date of payment.

Notwithstanding the limitation in subsection (i), a State policeman or conservation police officer may elect to convert service credit earned under this Article to eligible creditable service, as defined by this Section, by filing a written election with the board within 6 months after July 30,

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- 2021 (the effective date of Public Act 102-210) amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly and paying to the System an amount to be determined by the Board equal to (i) the difference between the amount of employee contributions originally paid for that service and the amounts that would have been contributed had such contributions been made at the rates applicable to State policemen, plus (ii) the difference between the employer's normal cost of the credit prior to the conversion authorized by Public Act 102-210 this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly and the employer's normal cost of the credit converted in accordance with Public Act 102-210 this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly, plus (iii) interest thereon at the actuarially assumed rate for each year, compounded annually, from the date of service to the date of payment.
 - The total amount of eligible creditable service established by any person under subsections (g), (h), (j), (k), (1), (1-5), and (p) of this Section shall not exceed 12 years.
 - (j) Subject to the limitation in subsection (i), an investigator for the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor or a controlled substance inspector may elect to establish eligible creditable service for up to 10 years of his service as a policeman under Article 3 or a sheriff's law enforcement employee under Article 7, by filing a written election with the Board, accompanied by payment of an amount

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(k) Subject to the limitation in subsection (i) of this Section, an alternative formula employee may elect establish eliqible creditable service for periods spent as a full-time law enforcement officer or full-time corrections officer employed by the federal government or by a state or local government located outside of Illinois, for which credit is not held in any other public employee pension fund or retirement system. To obtain this credit, the applicant must file a written application with the Board by March 31, 1998, accompanied by evidence of eligibility acceptable to the Board and payment of an amount to be determined by the Board, equal (1)employee contributions for the credit established, based upon the applicant's salary on the first day as an alternative formula employee after the employment for which credit is being established and the rates then applicable to alternative formula employees, plus (2) an amount determined by the Board to be the employer's normal cost of the benefits accrued for the credit being established,

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- 5 (1)Subject to the limitation in subsection (i), a 6 security employee of the Department of Corrections may elect, 7 not later than July 1, 1998, to establish eligible creditable 8 service for up to 10 years of his or her service as a policeman 9 under Article 3, by filing a written election with the Board, 10 accompanied by payment of an amount to be determined by the 11 Board, equal to (i) the difference between the amount of 12 employee and employer contributions transferred to the System 13 under Section 3-110.5, and the amounts that would have been contributed had such contributions been made at the rates 14 15 applicable to security employees of the Department 16 Corrections, plus (ii) interest thereon at the effective rate
 - (1-5) Subject to the limitation in subsection (i) of this Section, a State policeman may elect to establish eligible creditable service for up to 5 years of service as a full-time law enforcement officer employed by the federal government or by a state or local government located outside of Illinois for which credit is not held in any other public employee pension fund or retirement system. To obtain this credit, the applicant must file a written application with the Board no

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Public Act 101-610) this amendatory Act of the 101st General
Assembly, accompanied by evidence of eligibility acceptable to

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the Board and payment of an amount to be determined by the

5 Board, equal to (1) employee contributions for the credit

being established, based upon the applicant's salary on the

first day as an alternative formula employee after the

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then applicable to alternative formula employees, plus (2) an

amount determined by the Board to be the employer's normal

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the employment for which credit is being established to the

date of payment.

(m) The amendatory changes to this Section made by <u>Public Act 94-696</u> this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly apply only to: (1) security employees of the Department of Juvenile Justice employed by the Department of Corrections before <u>June 1, 2006</u> (the effective date of <u>Public Act 94-696</u>) this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly and transferred to the Department of Juvenile Justice by <u>Public Act 94-696</u> this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly; and (2) persons employed by the Department of Juvenile Justice on or after <u>June 1, 2006</u> (the effective date of <u>Public Act 94-696</u>) this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly who

- are required by subsection (b) of Section 3-2.5-15 of the
 Unified Code of Corrections to have any bachelor's or advanced
 degree from an accredited college or university or, in the
 case of persons who provide vocational training, who are
 required to have adequate knowledge in the skill for which
 they are providing the vocational training.
 - (n) A person employed in a position under subsection (b) of this Section who has purchased service credit under subsection (j) of Section 14-104 or subsection (b) of Section 14-105 in any other capacity under this Article may convert up to 5 years of that service credit into service credit covered under this Section by paying to the Fund an amount equal to (1) the additional employee contribution required under Section 14-133, plus (2) the additional employer contribution required under Section 14-131, plus (3) interest on items (1) and (2) at the actuarially assumed rate from the date of the service to the date of payment.
 - (o) Subject to the limitation in subsection (i), a conservation police officer, investigator for the Secretary of State, Commerce Commission police officer, investigator for the Department of Revenue or the Illinois Gaming Board, or arson investigator subject to subsection (g) of Section 1-160 may elect to convert up to 8 years of service credit established before <u>January 1, 2020</u> (the effective date of <u>Public Act 101-610)</u> this amendatory Act of the 101st General Assembly as a conservation police officer, investigator for

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the Secretary of State, Commerce Commission police officer, investigator for the Department of Revenue or the Illinois Gaming Board, or arson investigator under this Article into eligible creditable service by filing a written election with the Board no later than one year after January 1, 2020 (the effective date of Public Act 101-610) this amendatory Act of the 101st General Assembly, accompanied by payment of an amount to be determined by the Board equal to (i) the difference between the amount of the employee contributions actually paid for that service and the amount of the employee contributions that would have been paid had the employee contributions been made as a noncovered employee serving in a position in which eligible creditable service, as defined in this Section, may be earned, plus (ii) interest thereon at the effective rate for each year, compounded annually, from the

(p) Subject to the limitation in subsection (i), an investigator for the Office of the Attorney General subject to subsection (g) of Section 1-160 may elect to convert up to 8 years of service credit established before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly as an investigator for the Office of the Attorney General under this Article into eligible creditable service by filing a written election with the Board no later than one year after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly, accompanied by payment of an amount to be determined

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- 2 the employee contributions actually paid for that service and
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- 5 employee serving in a position in which eligible creditable
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- interest thereon at the effective rate for each year, 7
- 8 compounded annually, from the date of service to the date of
- 9 payment.

- (Source: P.A. 101-610, eff. 1-1-20; 102-210, eff. 7-30-21; 10
- 11 102-538, eff. 8-20-21; revised 10-12-21.)
- 12 (40 ILCS 5/14-152.1)
- Sec. 14-152.1. Application and expiration of new benefit 13
- 14 increases.
- 15 (a) As used in this Section, "new benefit increase" means
- 16 an increase in the amount of any benefit provided under this
- Article, or an expansion of the conditions of eligibility for 17
- any benefit under this Article, that results from an amendment 18
- to this Code that takes effect after June 1, 2005 (the 19
- effective date of Public Act 94-4). "New benefit increase", 20
- 21 however, does not include any benefit increase resulting from
- 22 the changes made to Article 1 or this Article by Public Act
- 96-37, Public Act 100-23, Public Act 100-587, Public Act 23
- 24 100-611, Public Act 101-10, Public Act 101-610, Public Act
- 102-210, or this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly 25

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this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly.

- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code or any subsequent amendment to this Code, every new benefit increase is subject to this Section and shall be deemed to be granted only in conformance with and contingent upon compliance with the provisions of this Section.
- (c) The Public Act enacting a new benefit increase must identify and provide for payment to the System of additional funding at least sufficient to fund the resulting annual increase in cost to the System as it accrues.

Every new benefit increase is contingent upon the General Assembly providing the additional funding required under this subsection. The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability shall analyze whether adequate additional funding has been provided for the new benefit increase and shall report its analysis to the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance. A new benefit increase created by a Public Act that does not include the additional funding required under this subsection is null and void. If the Public Pension Division determines that the additional funding provided for a new benefit increase under this subsection is or has become inadequate, it may so certify to the Governor and the State Comptroller and, in the absence of corrective action by the General Assembly, the new benefit increase shall expire at the end of the fiscal year in which the certification is made.

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- (d) Every new benefit increase shall expire 5 years after its effective date or on such earlier date as may be specified in the language enacting the new benefit increase or provided under subsection (c). This does not prevent the General Assembly from extending or re-creating a new benefit increase by law.
- 7 (e) Except as otherwise provided in the language creating 8 the new benefit increase, a new benefit increase that expires 9 under this Section continues to apply to persons who applied 10 and qualified for the affected benefit while the new benefit 11 increase was in effect and to the affected beneficiaries and 12 alternate payees of such persons, but does not apply to any other person, including, without limitation, a person who 13 continues in service after the expiration date and did not 14 15 apply and qualify for the affected benefit while the new 16 benefit increase was in effect.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 101-10, eff. 6-5-19; 101-81, eff. 7-12-19; 101-610, eff. 1-1-20; 102-210, eff. 7-30-21.)
- 19 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 20 becoming law.