

## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 SB0603

Introduced 2/24/2021, by Sen. Bill Cunningham

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/6-124 from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-124

40 ILCS 5/6-124.1

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

30 ILCS 805/8.45 new

Amends the Chicago Firefighter Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that when a future entrant who is not subject to the compulsory retirement age withdraws from service and is at least age 63, his or her age and service annuity shall be fixed as of the age he or she withdraws from service. Makes conforming changes. In a provision concerning contribution refunds, removes an age limitation on eligibility for a refund. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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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 Sections 6-124, 6-124.1, and 6-158 as follows:

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6 (40 ILCS 5/6-124) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-124)
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Sec. 6-124. Future entrants; amount entrants age 63 in service-amount of annuity. When a future entrant attains age 63 in service, except for a fireman who is not subject to the compulsory retirement age, his age and service annuity shall be fixed as of age 63. The annuity shall be that provided from the entire sum accumulated to his credit for age and service annuity on the date he attains age 63.

When a future entrant who is not subject to the compulsory retirement age withdraws from service and is at least age 63, his or her age and service annuity shall be fixed as of the age he or she withdraws from service. The annuity shall be that provided from the entire sum accumulated to his or her credit for age and service annuity on the date he or she withdraws

20 from service.

21 (Source: P.A. 76-1668.)

22 (40 ILCS 5/6-124.1)

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- Sec. 6-124.1. Withdrawal <u>from service; amount</u> at compulsory retirement age - amount of annuity.
- In lieu of any annuity provided in the other 3 provisions of this Article, a fireman who (1) is required to 4 5 withdraw from service due to attainment of compulsory retirement age, or is not subject to compulsory retirement 6 7 age, withdraws from service, and is at least age 63, and (2) 8 has at least 10 but less than 20 years of service credit may 9 elect to receive an annuity equal to 30% of average salary for 10 the first 10 years of service plus 2% of average salary for 11 each completed year of service or remaining fraction thereof 12 in excess of 10, but not to exceed a maximum of 50% of average 13 salary.
- 14 (b) For the purpose of this Section, "average salary"
  15 means the average of the fireman's highest 4 consecutive years
  16 of salary within the last 10 years of service.
  - (c) For the purpose of qualifying for the annual increases provided in Section 6-164, a fireman whose retirement annuity is calculated under this Section shall be deemed to qualify for a minimum annuity.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 93-654, eff. 1-16-04.)
- 22 (40 ILCS 5/6-158) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-158)
- 23 Sec. 6-158. Refund Refund General.
- 24 (a) A fireman who withdraws before age 50 and a fireman
  25 with less than 10 years of service who withdraws before age 57,

- or any fireman who withdraws and enters the service of another department of the city, has a right to a refund of the entire amount to his credit as of the date of withdrawal for age and service annuity or Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity, for automatic annual increase in annuity as provided in Section 6-164, and for widow's annuity or Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity, from deductions from salary.
  - (b) Any such fireman shall be entitled to refund until he re-enters service or until his annuity is fixed.
  - (c) A fireman who receives a refund forfeits all rights to any annuity or benefit from the fund, for himself and for any other person who might benefit through him because of his service, provided he shall retain the right to credit for any such service, for the purpose of computing his total service if he re-enters service before age 57, becomes a beneficiary of the fund and makes repayment of the refund with interest.
  - (d) A fireman completing 10 years of service who does not receive a refund, may receive an annuity as provided in this Article.
  - (e) A fireman completing less than 10 years who does not receive a refund has a right to have all amounts to his credit for annuity purposes on the date of withdrawal improved by interest while he is out of service until age 57 only, for his benefit and the benefit of any person who may have any right to annuity through him, if he subsequently reenters service and attains a right to annuity.

- 1 (Source: P.A. 99-905, eff. 11-29-16.)
- 2 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding
- 3 Section 8.45 as follows:
- 4 (30 ILCS 805/8.45 new)
- 5 Sec. 8.45. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and
- 8 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for
- 7 the implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory
- 8 Act of the 102nd General Assembly.
- 9 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 10 becoming law.