103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/5-157

from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-157

Amends the Chicago Police Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that a policeman who assumes regular employment for compensation, while in receipt of disability benefits (instead of ordinary or duty disability benefits), shall not be entitled to receive any amount of such disability benefits which, when added to his or her compensation for such employment during disability, would exceed 125% (instead of 150%) of the rate of salary which would be paid to the policeman if he or she were working in his or her regularly appointed civil service position as a policeman. Provides that each policeman who is granted a disability benefit shall supply the Fund with a copy of his or her federal and state tax returns, along with all accompanying schedules, within 30 days after filing those returns. Provides that a policeman shall have no further right to receive the disability benefit if the policeman refuses to provide his or her filed tax returns. Provides that a policeman shall have an affirmative obligation to inform the fund when he or she has received a medical opinion that he or she no longer has a disability. Provides that when the disability ceases, the policeman shall have no further right to receive the benefit and he or she shall be returned to active service. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by 5 changing Section 5-157 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/5-157) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-157)

Sec. 5-157. Administration of disability benefits.

8 (a) If a policeman who is granted duty or ordinary 9 disability benefit refuses to submit to examination by a 10 physician appointed by the board, he shall have no further 11 right to receive the benefit.

12 (b) A policeman who has withdrawn from service while disabled and entered upon annuity prior to the effective date, 13 14 and who has thereafter been reinstated as a policeman, shall have no right to ordinary disability benefit in excess of the 15 16 amount previously received unless he serves at least one year 17 after such reinstatement. This provision shall apply throughout the duration of any disability incurred by the 18 19 policeman within one year after his reinstatement resulting 20 from any cause other than injury incurred in the performance 21 of an act of duty.

(c) <u>A</u> Until the effective date of this amendatory Act of
the 92nd General Assembly, a policeman who assumes regular

employment for compensation, while in receipt of ordinary or 1 2 duty disability benefits, shall not be entitled to receive any amount of such disability benefits which, when added to his 3 4 compensation for such employment during disability, would 5 exceed 125% 150% of the rate of salary which would be paid to 6 him if he were working in his regularly appointed civil 7 service position as a policeman. The changes made to this Section by Public Act 90 766 are not limited to persons 8 9 service on or after the effective date of that Act.

10 Each policeman who is granted a disability benefit shall 11 supply the Fund with a copy of his or her federal and state tax 12 returns, along with all accompanying schedules, within 30 days after filing those returns. A policeman shall have no further 13 14 right to receive the disability benefit if the policeman refuses to provide his or her filed tax returns. The reduction 15 16 of disability benefits due to compensation for employment made 17 by the changes to this Section by this amendatory Act of the 103rd General Assembly shall apply to all persons in receipt 18 of disability benefits on or after the effective date of this 19 20 amendatory Act of the 103rd General Assembly.

21 Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory Act of 22 the 92nd General Assembly, the reduction of disability 23 benefits due to compensation for employment previously imposed 24 under this subsection (c) no longer applies to any person 25 receiving a disability benefit under this Article, without 26 regard to whether the person is in service on or after that

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1 date. The removal of this limitation by this amendatory Act is 2 not retroactive and does not entitle any person to the 3 restoration of amounts previously reduced or withheld under 4 this subsection.

5 (d) Disability benefit shall not be paid for any part of 6 time for which a disabled policeman shall receive any part of 7 his salary.

8 (e) Except as herein otherwise provided, disability 9 benefit shall not be paid for any disability based upon or 10 caused by any mental or physical defect which the policeman 11 had at the time he entered the police service.

12 Disability benefit shall not be allowed to (f) any 13 policeman who re-enters the public service in any capacity 14 where his salary is payable in whole or in part by taxes levied 15 upon taxable property in the city in which this Article is in effect, or out of special revenues of any department of the 16 17 city. The disability benefit shall be suspended during the period he is in the public service for compensation, and shall 18 be resumed when he withdraws from such service. 19

20 (f-5) A policeman shall have an affirmative obligation to 21 inform the fund when he or she has received a medical opinion 22 that he or she no longer has a disability, as defined in 23 Section 5-115. When the disability ceases, the policeman shall 24 have no further right to receive the benefit and he or she 25 shall be returned to active service.

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(g) If a policeman receives any compensation as temporary

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total disability, permanent total disability, a lump sum 1 2 settlement award, or other payment under the Workers' Compensation Act or the Workers' Occupational Diseases Act as 3 a result of the policeman's secondary employment for any 4 5 injury resulting in disability, any disability benefit provided to the policeman for such disability under this 6 7 Article shall be reduced by any compensation amount so 8 received, if that compensation amount is less than the amount 9 of the disability benefit. If the amount received as 10 compensation exceeds the amount of the disability benefit, the 11 policeman shall not receive the disability benefit until the 12 disability benefit payable equals the of amount the 13 compensation received without consideration of interest. The 14 calculation of compensation received by the policeman as 15 provided in this Section shall not take into consideration any 16 benefits received under the Line of Duty Compensation Act.

17 If the widow, child or children, or parent or parents of a policeman, or any of these persons, receives any compensation 18 19 under the Workers' Compensation Act or the Workers' 20 Occupational Diseases Act as a result of the policeman's 21 secondary employment for any injury resulting in the 22 policeman's death, the annuities provided under this Article 23 for those beneficiaries shall be reduced by any compensation amount so received, if that compensation amount is less than 24 25 the amount of the annuities. If the amount received as compensation exceeds the amount of the annuities for the 26

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widow, child or children, or parent or parents, the annuities 1 2 shall not be payable until the accumulated value of the 3 annuities equals the amount of the compensation received without consideration of interest. In making the adjustment, 4 5 the annuity to the widow shall first be reduced. The calculation of compensation received by the widow, child or 6 children, or parent or parents of a policeman, or any of these 7 8 persons, as provided in this Section shall not take into 9 consideration any benefits received under the Line of Duty 10 Compensation Act or the Public Safety Officers Benefits Act of 1976, 34 U.S.C. 10281 et seq. 11

12 (h) Any disability benefit paid in violation of this 13 Section or of this Article shall be construed to have been paid 14 in error, and the amounts so paid shall be charged as a debit 15 in the account of any person to whom the same was paid and 16 shall be deducted from any moneys thereafter payable to such 17 person out of this fund, or to the widow, heirs or estate of 18 such person.

19 (Source: P.A. 102-806, eff. 5-13-22.)

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 21 becoming law.

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