

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB4578

Introduced 1/11/2006, by Rep. Robert S. Molaro

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/17-142.1

from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-142.1

Amends the Chicago Teacher Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Limits what the Board may reimburse for the cost of health care insurance coverage to 75% of the cost for recipients of a service retirement, disability retirement, or survivor's pension and removes other provisions limiting the reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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PENSION IMPACT NOTE ACT MAY APPLY HB4578

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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:

Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by changing
Section 17-142.1 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/17-142.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-142.1)

Sec. 17-142.1. To defray health insurance costs. To provide
for the partial reimbursement of health insurance costs.

9 (1) On the first day of September of each year, beginning 10 in 1988, the Board may, by separate warrant, pay to each 11 recipient of a service retirement, disability retirement or 12 survivor's pension an amount to be determined by the Board, 13 which shall represent partial reimbursement <u>of 75% of</u> for the 14 cost of the recipient's health insurance coverage.

15 (2) In lieu of the annual payment authorized in subdivision (1), for pensioners enrolled in the Fund's regular health care 16 17 deduction plans, the Fund may pay the health insurance premium reimbursement on a monthly rather than annual basis, at the 18 19 percentage rate established from time to time by the Board. If 20 the Board so directs, these monthly payments may be made in the form of a direct payment of premium and a reduction in the 21 22 amount deducted from the annuity, rather than in the form of 23 reimbursement by separate warrant.

24 (3) Total payments under this Section in any year may not 25 exceed \$65,000,000 plus any amount that was authorized to be 26 paid under this Section in the preceding year but was not 27 actually paid by the Board, including any interest earned 28 thereon.

29 (4) The total amount of payments under this Section in any 30 year may not exceed 75% of the total cost of health insurance 31 coverage in that year for all the recipients who receive 32 payments authorized by this Section in that year. HB4578 - 2 - LRB094 16355 AMC 51606 b

1 (Source: P.A. 93-677, eff. 6-28-04.)

2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 3 becoming law.