# 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

## 2005 and 2006

#### SB2493

Introduced 1/18/2006, by Sen. Larry K. Bomke

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/15-113.7a new 40 ILCS 5/15-198

Amends the State Universities Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Includes within the definition of "service" periods not exceeding 2 years during which a person served in the Peace Corps, provided that the person (1) applies for the service on or after the effective date and before June 1, 2007 and (2) pays to the System the actuarial value of the increase in benefits resulting from the service. Includes language exempting the changes from provisions concerning new benefit increases. 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:

Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by adding
Sections 15-113.7a and 15-198 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/15-113.7a new)

Sec. 15-113.7a. Service for periods of service with the 7 Peace Corps. "Service for periods of service with the Peace 8 Corps" means those periods not exceeding 2 years during which a 9 person served in the Peace Corps, provided that the person (1) 10 applies for the service on or after the effective date and 11 before June 1, 2007 and (2) pays to the System the actuarial 12 value of the increase in the benefits resulting from the 13 14 service.

15 (40 ILCS 5/15-198)

Sec. 15-198. Application and expiration of new benefit increases.

18 (a) As used in this Section, "new benefit increase" means an increase in the amount of any benefit provided under this 19 Article, or an expansion of the conditions of eligibility for 20 any benefit under this Article, that results from an amendment 21 22 to this Code that takes effect after June 1, 2005 (the effective date of Public Act 94-4) this amendatory Act of the 23 24 94th General Assembly. "New benefit increase", however, does 25 not include any benefit increase resulting from the changes made to this Article by this amendatory Act of the 94th General 26 27 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

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1 the provisions of this Section.

2 (c) The Public Act enacting a new benefit increase must 3 identify and provide for payment to the System of additional 4 funding at least sufficient to fund the resulting annual 5 increase in cost to the System as it accrues.

6 Every new benefit increase is contingent upon the General 7 Assembly providing the additional funding required under this 8 subsection. The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability shall analyze whether adequate additional 9 funding has been provided for the new benefit increase and 10 11 shall report its analysis to the Public Pension Division of the 12 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. A new benefit increase created by a Public Act that does not include 13 the additional funding required under this subsection is null 14 15 and void. If the Public Pension Division determines that the 16 additional funding provided for a new benefit increase under 17 this subsection is or has become inadequate, it may so certify to the Governor and the State Comptroller and, in the absence 18 19 of corrective action by the General Assembly, the new benefit increase shall expire at the end of the fiscal year in which 20 the certification is made. 21

(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.

28 (e) Except as otherwise provided in the language creating 29 the new benefit increase, a new benefit increase that expires 30 under this Section continues to apply to persons who applied and qualified for the affected benefit while the new benefit 31 increase was in effect and to the affected beneficiaries and 32 alternate payees of such persons, but does not apply to any 33 other person, including without limitation a person who 34 35 continues in service after the expiration date and did not apply and qualify for the affected benefit while the new 36

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- 1 benefit increase was in effect.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 94-4, eff. 6-1-05.)

3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon4 becoming law.