95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/17-116 30 ILCS 805/8.32 new from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-116

Amends the Chicago Teacher Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that a teacher may receive a retirement pension at age 60 with 10 years of service. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY PENSION IMPACT NOTE ACT MAY APPLY STATE MANDATES ACT MAY REQUIRE REIMBURSEMENT 1

AN ACT in relation to 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 17-116 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/17-116) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-116)

7 Sec. 17-116. Service retirement pension.

(a) Each teacher having 20 years of service upon attainment 8 9 of age 55, or who thereafter attains age 55 shall be entitled to a service retirement pension upon or after attainment of age 10 55; and each teacher in service on or after July 1, 1971, with 11 5 or more but less than 20 years of service shall be entitled 12 13 to receive a service retirement pension upon or after 14 attainment of age 62. Each teacher in service on or after July 1, 2008 with 10 or more but less than 20 years of service shall 15 be entitled to receive a service retirement pension upon or 16 17 after attainment of age 60.

(b) The service retirement pension for a teacher who retires on or after June 25, 1971, at age 60 or over, shall be calculated as follows:

(1) For creditable service earned before July 1, 1998
that has not been augmented under Section 17-119.1: 1.67%
for each of the first 10 years of service; 1.90% for each

1 of the next 10 years of service; 2.10% for each year of 2 service in excess of 20 but not exceeding 30; and 2.30% for 3 each year of service in excess of 30, based upon average 4 salary as herein defined.

5 (2) For creditable service earned on or after July 1, 6 1998 by a member who has at least 30 years of creditable 7 service on July 1, 1998 and who does not elect to augment 8 service under Section 17-119.1: 2.3% of average salary for 9 each year of creditable service earned on or after July 1, 10 1998.

11 (3) For all other creditable service: 2.2% of average
12 salary for each year of creditable service.

13 (c) When computing such service retirement pensions, the 14 following conditions shall apply:

15 1. Average salary shall consist of the average annual 16 rate of salary for the 4 consecutive years of validated service within the last 10 years of service when such 17 average annual rate was highest. In the determination of 18 19 average salary for retirement allowance purposes, for 20 members who commenced employment after August 31, 1979, that part of the salary for any year shall be excluded 21 22 which exceeds the annual full-time salary rate for the 23 preceding year by more than 20%. In the case of a member 24 who commenced employment before August 31, 1979 and who 25 receives salary during any year after September 1, 1983 26 which exceeds the annual full time salary rate for the

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preceding year by more than 20%, an Employer and other 1 2 employers of eligible contributors as defined in Section 3 17-106 shall pay to the Fund an amount equal to the present of the additional service retirement 4 value pension 5 resulting from such excess salary. The present value of the 6 additional service retirement pension shall be computed by 7 the Board on the basis of actuarial tables adopted by the 8 Board. If a member elects to receive a pension from this 9 Fund provided by Section 20-121, his salary under the State 10 Universities Retirement System and the Teachers' 11 Retirement System of the State of Illinois shall be 12 considered in determining such average salary. Amounts paid after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 13 14 1991 for unused vacation time earned after that effective 15 date shall not under any circumstances be included in the 16 calculation of average salary or the annual rate of salary 17 for the purposes of this Article.

Proportionate credit shall be given for validated
 service of less than one year.

3. For retirement at age 60 or over the pension shall
be payable at the full rate.

4. For separation from service below age 60 to a minimum age of 55, the pension shall be discounted at the rate of 1/2 of one per cent for each month that the age of the contributor is less than 60, but a teacher may elect to defer the effective date of pension in order to eliminate

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or reduce this discount. This discount shall not be applicable to any participant who has at least 34 years of service or a retirement pension of at least 74.6% of average salary on the date the retirement annuity begins.

5 5. No additional pension shall be granted for service 6 exceeding 45 years. Beginning June 26, 1971 no pension 7 shall exceed the greater of \$1,500 per month or 75% of 8 average salary as herein defined.

9 6. Service retirement pensions shall begin on the 10 effective date of resignation, retirement, the day 11 following the close of the payroll period for which service 12 credit was validated, or the time the person resigning or 13 retiring attains age 55, or on a date elected by the 14 teacher, whichever shall be latest.

15 7. A member who is eligible to receive a retirement 16 pension of at least 74.6% of average salary and will attain 17 age 55 on or before December 31 during the year which 18 commences on July 1 shall be deemed to attain age 55 on the 19 preceding June 1.

8. A member retiring after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1998 shall receive a pension equal to 75% of average salary if the member is qualified to receive a retirement pension equal to at least 74.6% of average salary under this Article or as proportional annuities under Article 20 of this Code.

26 (Source: P.A. 90-566, eff. 1-2-98; 90-582, eff. 5-27-98.)

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Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding 1 2 Section 8.32 as follows: (30 ILCS 805/8.32 new) 3 4 Sec. 8.32. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8 5 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the 6 implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of 7 the 95th General Assembly. 8 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

9 becoming law.