



96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB2579

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/5-154

from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-154

30 ILCS 805/8.33 new

Amends the Chicago Police Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Beginning January 1, 2010, increases the duty disability benefit to 75% of the current salary attached from time to time to the rank held by the policeman at the time of removal from the police department payroll. 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

A BILL FOR

1 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 changing
5 Section 5-154 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/5-154) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-154)

7 Sec. 5-154. Duty disability benefit; child's disability
8 benefit.

9 (a) An active policeman who becomes disabled on or after
10 the effective date as the result of injury incurred on or after
11 such date in the performance of an act of duty, has a right to
12 receive duty disability benefit during any period of such
13 disability for which he does not have a right to receive
14 salary, equal to 75% of his salary, as salary is defined in
15 this Article, at the time the disability is allowed; or in the
16 case of a policeman on duty disability who returns to active
17 employment at any time for a period of at least 2 years and is
18 again disabled from the same cause or causes, 75% of his
19 salary, as salary is defined in this Article, at the time
20 disability is allowed; provided, however, that:

21 (i) If the disability resulted from any physical defect
22 or mental disorder or any disease which existed at the time
23 the injury was sustained, or if the disability is less than

1 50% of total disability for any service of a remunerative
2 character, the duty disability benefit shall be 50% of
3 salary as defined in this Article.

4 (ii) Beginning January 1, 1996, no duty disability
5 benefit that has been payable under this Section for at
6 least 10 years shall be less than 50% of the current salary
7 attached from time to time to the rank held by the
8 policeman at the time of removal from the police department
9 payroll, regardless of whether that removal occurred
10 before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1995.
11 Beginning on January 1, 2000, no duty disability benefit
12 that has been payable under this Section for at least 7
13 years shall be less than 60% of the current salary attached
14 from time to time to the rank held by the policeman at the
15 time of removal from the police department payroll,
16 regardless of whether that removal occurred before the
17 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 92nd General
18 Assembly. Beginning on January 1, 2010, no duty disability
19 benefit that is payable under this Section shall be less
20 than 75% of the current salary attached from time to time
21 to the rank held by the policeman at the time of removal
22 from the police department payroll, regardless of whether
23 that removal occurred before the effective date of this
24 amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly.

25 ~~(iii) If the Board finds that the disability of the~~
26 ~~policeman is of such a nature as to permanently render him~~

1 ~~totally disabled for any service of a remunerative~~
2 ~~character, the duty disability benefit shall be 75% of the~~
3 ~~current salary attached from time to time to the rank held~~
4 ~~by the policeman at the time of removal from the police~~
5 ~~department payroll. In the case of a policeman receiving a~~
6 ~~duty disability benefit under this Section on the effective~~
7 ~~date of this amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly,~~
8 ~~the increase in benefit provided by this amendatory Act, if~~
9 ~~any, shall begin to accrue as of the date that the Board~~
10 ~~makes the required finding of permanent total disability,~~
11 ~~regardless of whether removal from the payroll occurred~~
12 ~~before the effective date of this amendatory Act.~~

13 (b) The policeman shall also have a right to child's
14 disability benefit of \$100 per month for each unmarried child,
15 the issue of the policeman, less than age 18, but the total
16 amount of child's disability benefit shall not exceed 25% of
17 his salary as defined in this Article. The increase in child's
18 disability benefit provided by this amendatory Act of the 92nd
19 General Assembly applies beginning January 1, 2000 to all such
20 benefits payable on or after that date, regardless of whether
21 the disabled policeman is in active service on or after the
22 effective date of this amendatory Act.

23 (c) Duty disability benefit shall be payable until the
24 policeman becomes age 63 or would have been retired by
25 operation of law, whichever is later, and child's disability
26 benefit shall be paid during any such period of disability

1 until the child attains age 18. Thereafter the policeman shall
2 receive the annuity provided in accordance with the other
3 provisions of this Article.

4 (d) A policeman who suffers a heart attack during the
5 performance and discharge of his or her duties as a policeman
6 shall be considered injured in the performance of an act of
7 duty and shall be eligible for all benefits that the City
8 provides for police officers injured in the performance of an
9 act of duty. This subsection (d) is a restatement of existing
10 law and applies without regard to whether the policeman is in
11 service on or after the effective date of Public Act 89-12 or
12 this amendatory Act of 1996.

13 (Source: P.A. 92-52, eff. 7-12-01.)

14 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding
15 Section 8.33 as follows:

16 (30 ILCS 805/8.33 new)

17 Sec. 8.33. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8
18 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the
19 implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of
20 the 96th General Assembly.

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