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09600SB2474sam001 LRB096 14767 AMC 37515 a 1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2474 2 AMENDMENT NO. . Amend Senate Bill 2474 by replacing 3 everything after the enacting clause with the following: "Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by 4 5 changing Section 14-104 as follows: 6 (40 ILCS 5/14-104) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 14-104) 7 Sec. 14-104. Service for which contributions permitted. Contributions provided for in this Section shall cover the 8 period of service granted. Except as otherwise provided in this 9 10 Section, the contributions shall be based upon the employee's 11 compensation and contribution rate in effect on the date he 12 last became a member of the System; provided that for all 13 employment prior to January 1, 1969 the contribution rate shall be that in effect for a noncovered employee on the date he last 14 15 became a member of the System. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, contributions permitted under this Section shall 16

include regular interest from the date an employee last became
 a member of the System to the date of payment.

These contributions must be paid in full before retirement either in a lump sum or in installment payments in accordance with such rules as may be adopted by the board.

6 (a) Any member may make contributions as required in this
7 Section for any period of service, subsequent to the date of
8 establishment, but prior to the date of membership.

9 (b) Any employee who had been previously excluded from 10 membership because of age at entry and subsequently became 11 eligible may elect to make contributions as required in this 12 Section for the period of service during which he was 13 ineligible.

(c) An employee of the Department of Insurance who, after January 1, 1944 but prior to becoming eligible for membership, received salary from funds of insurance companies in the process of rehabilitation, liquidation, conservation or dissolution, may elect to make contributions as required in this Section for such service.

(d) Any employee who rendered service in a State office to which he was elected, or rendered service in the elective office of Clerk of the Appellate Court prior to the date he became a member, may make contributions for such service as required in this Section. Any member who served by appointment of the Governor under the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois and did not participate in this System may make contributions 1

as required in this Section for such service.

2 (e) Any person employed by the United States government or any instrumentality or agency thereof from January 1, 1942 3 4 through November 15, 1946 as the result of a transfer from 5 State service by executive order of the President of the United 6 States shall be entitled to prior service credit covering the period from January 1, 1942 through December 31, 1943 as 7 8 provided for in this Article and to membership service credit 9 for the period from January 1, 1944 through November 15, 1946 10 by making the contributions required in this Section. A person 11 so employed on January 1, 1944 but whose employment began after January 1, 1942 may qualify for prior service and membership 12 13 service credit under the same conditions.

(f) An employee of the Department of Labor of the State of 14 15 Illinois who performed services for and under the supervision 16 of that Department prior to January 1, 1944 but who was compensated for those services directly by federal funds and 17 not by a warrant of the Auditor of Public Accounts paid by the 18 19 State Treasurer may establish credit for such employment by 20 making the contributions required in this Section. An employee 21 of the Department of Agriculture of the State of Illinois, who performed services for and under the supervision of that 22 Department prior to June 1, 1963, but was compensated for those 23 24 services directly by federal funds and not paid by a warrant of 25 the Auditor of Public Accounts paid by the State Treasurer, and 26 who did not contribute to any other public employee retirement system for such service, may establish credit for such
 employment by making the contributions required in this
 Section.

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(g) Any employee who executed a waiver of membership within 60 days prior to January 1, 1944 may, at any time while in the service of a department, file with the board a rescission of such waiver. Upon making the contributions required by this Section, the member shall be granted the creditable service that would have been received if the waiver had not been executed.

(h) Until May 1, 1990, an employee who was employed on a full-time basis by a regional planning commission for at least continuous years may establish creditable service for such employment by making the contributions required under this Section, provided that any credits earned by the employee in the commission's retirement plan have been terminated.

(i) Any person who rendered full time contractual services to the General Assembly as a member of a legislative staff may establish service credit for up to 8 years of such services by making the contributions required under this Section, provided that application therefor is made not later than July 1, 1991.

(j) By paying the contributions otherwise required under this Section, plus an amount determined by the Board to be equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit plus interest, but with all of the interest calculated from the date the employee last became a member of the System or November 19, 09600SB2474sam001 -5- LRB096 14767 AMC 37515 a

1 1991, whichever is later, to the date of payment, an employee may establish service credit for a period of up to 4 years 2 spent in active military service for which he does not qualify 3 4 for credit under Section 14-105, provided that (1) he was not 5 dishonorably discharged from such military service, and (2) the 6 amount of service credit established by a member under this subsection (j), when added to the amount of military service 7 8 credit granted to the member under subsection (b) of Section 9 14-105, shall not exceed 5 years. The change in the manner of 10 calculating interest under this subsection (j) made by this 11 amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly applies to credit purchased by an employee on or after its effective date and 12 does not entitle any person to a refund of contributions or 13 14 interest already paid. In compliance with Section 14-152.1 of 15 this Act concerning new benefit increases, any new benefit 16 increase as a result of the changes to this subsection (j) made 95-483 is funded through the 17 bv Public Act emplovee contributions provided for in this subsection (j). Any new 18 19 benefit increase as a result of the changes made to this 20 subsection (j) by Public Act 95-483 is exempt from the provisions of subsection (d) of Section 14-152.1. 21

(k) An employee who was employed on a full-time basis by the Illinois State's Attorneys Association Statewide Appellate Assistance Service LEAA-ILEC grant project prior to the time that project became the State's Attorneys Appellate Service Commission, now the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate 09600SB2474sam001 -6- LRB096 14767 AMC 37515 a

Prosecutor, an agency of State government, may establish creditable service for not more than 60 months service for such employment by making contributions required under this Section.

5 (1) By paying the contributions otherwise required under 6 this Section, plus an amount determined by the Board to be equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit plus 7 8 interest, a member may establish service credit for periods of 9 less than one year spent on authorized leave of absence from 10 service, provided that (1) the period of leave began on or 11 after January 1, 1982 and (2) any credit established by the member for the period of leave in any other public employee 12 13 retirement system has been terminated. A member may establish service credit under this subsection for more than one period 14 15 of authorized leave, and in that case the total period of 16 service credit established by the member under this subsection may exceed one year. In determining the contributions required 17 for establishing service credit under this subsection, the 18 19 interest shall be calculated from the beginning of the leave of absence to the date of payment. 20

(1-5) By paying the contributions otherwise required under this Section, plus an amount determined by the Board to be equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit plus interest, a member may establish service credit for periods of up to 2 years spent on authorized leave of absence from service, provided that during that leave the member represented 09600SB2474sam001 -7- LRB096 14767 AMC 37515 a

or was employed as an officer or employee of a statewide labor organization that represents members of this System. In determining the contributions required for establishing service credit under this subsection, the interest shall be calculated from the beginning of the leave of absence to the date of payment.

(m) Any person who rendered contractual services to a 7 8 member of the General Assembly as a worker in the member's 9 district office may establish creditable service for up to 3 10 years of those contractual services by making the contributions 11 required under this Section. The System shall determine a full-time salary equivalent for the purpose of calculating the 12 13 required contribution. To establish credit under this 14 subsection, the applicant must apply to the System by March 1, 15 1998.

16 (n) Any person who rendered contractual services to a 17 member of the General Assembly as а worker providing 18 constituent services to persons in the member's district may establish creditable service for up to 8 years of those 19 20 contractual services by making the contributions required under this Section. The System shall determine a full-time 21 22 salary equivalent for the purpose of calculating the required 23 contribution. To establish credit under this subsection, the 24 applicant must apply to the System by March 1, 1998.

(o) A member who participated in the Illinois Legislative
 Staff Internship Program may establish creditable service for

1 up to one year of that participation by making the contribution 2 required under this Section. The System shall determine a 3 full-time salary equivalent for the purpose of calculating the 4 required contribution. Credit may not be established under this 5 subsection for any period for which service credit is 6 established under any other provision of this Code.

7 (p) By paying the contributions otherwise required under 8 this Section, plus an amount determined by the Board to be 9 equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit plus 10 interest, a member may establish service credit for a period of 11 up to 8 years during which he or she was employed by the Visually Handicapped Managers of Illinois in a vending program 12 13 operated under a contractual agreement with the Department of 14 Rehabilitation Services or its successor agency.

15 This subsection (p) applies without regard to whether the 16 person was in service on or after the effective date of this 17 amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly. In the case of a 18 person who is receiving a retirement annuity on that effective 19 date, the increase, if any, shall begin to accrue on the first 20 annuity payment date following receipt by the System of the 21 contributions required under this subsection (p).

(q) By paying the required contributions under this Section, plus an amount determined by the Board to be equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit plus interest, an employee who was laid off but returned to State employment under circumstances in which the employee is considered to have 09600SB2474sam001 -9- LRB096 14767 AMC 37515 a

1 been in continuous service for purposes of determining seniority may establish creditable service for the period of 2 3 the layoff, provided that (1) the applicant applies for the 4 creditable service under this subsection (q) within 6 months 5 after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 94th 6 General Assembly, (2) the applicant does not receive credit for that period under any other provision of this Code, (3) at the 7 time of the layoff, the applicant is not in an initial 8 9 probationary status consistent with the rules of the Department 10 of Central Management Services, and (4) the total amount of 11 creditable service established by the applicant under this subsection (q) does not exceed 3 years. For service established 12 under this subsection (q), the required employee contribution 13 14 shall be based on the rate of compensation earned by the 15 employee on the date of returning to employment after the 16 layoff and the contribution rate then in effect, and the required interest shall be calculated from the 17 date of 18 returning to employment after the layoff to the date of 19 payment.

20 (r) A member who participated in the University of Illinois Government Public Service Internship Program (GPSI) 21 may establish creditable service for up to 2 years of 22 that 23 participation by making the contribution required under this 24 Section, plus an amount determined by the Board to be equal to 25 the employer's normal cost of the benefit plus interest. The 26 System shall determine a full-time salary equivalent for the purpose of calculating the required contribution. Credit may not be established under this subsection for any period for which service credit is established under any other provision of this Code.

5 (s) A member who worked as a nurse under a contractual agreement for the Department of Public Aid, or its successor 6 agency, the Department of Human Services, in the Client 7 8 Assessment Unit and was subsequently determined to be a State employee by the United States Internal Revenue Service and the 9 10 Illinois Labor Relations Board may establish creditable 11 service for those contractual services by making the contributions required under this Section. To establish credit 12 13 under this subsection, the applicant must apply to the System 14 by July 1, 2008.

15 The Department of Human Services shall pay an employer 16 contribution based upon an amount determined by the Board to be 17 equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit, plus 18 interest.

In compliance with Section 14-152.1 added by Public Act 94-4, the cost of the benefits provided by Public Act 95-583 are offset by the required employee and employer contributions.

(t) Any person who rendered contractual services on a full-time basis to the Illinois Institute of Natural Resources and the Illinois Department of Energy and Natural Resources may establish creditable service for up to 4 years of those contractual services by making the contributions required 1 under this Section, plus an amount determined by the Board to 2 be equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit plus interest at the actuarially assumed rate from the first day of 3 4 the service for which credit is being established to the date 5 of payment. To establish credit under this subsection (t), the 6 applicant must apply to the System within 6 months after August 28, 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 96-775)this 7 8 amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly.

9 (u) (t) A member may establish creditable service and 10 earnings credit for a period of voluntary or involuntary 11 furlough, not exceeding 25 $\frac{5}{2}$ days, beginning on or after July 1, 2008 and ending on or before June 30, 2011 2009, that is 12 utilized as a means of addressing a State fiscal emergency. To 13 receive this credit, the member must apply in writing to the 14 15 System before July 1, 2013 2012, and make contributions 16 required under this Section, plus an amount determined by the Board to be equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit, 17 18 plus interest at the actuarially assumed rate from the day of 19 service for which the credit and earnings are being established 20 to the date of payment.

21 <u>(v)(t)</u> Any member who rendered full-time contractual 22 services to an Illinois Veterans Home operated by the 23 Department of Veterans' Affairs may establish service credit 24 for up to 8 years of such services by making the contributions 25 required under this Section, plus an amount determined by the 26 Board to be equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit, 09600SB2474sam001 -12- LRB096 14767 AMC 37515 a

plus interest at the actuarially assumed rate. To establish credit under this subsection, the applicant must apply to the System no later than 6 months after <u>July 27, 2009 (the</u> effective date of <u>Public Act 96-97)</u> this amendatory Act of the <u>96th General Assembly</u>.

6 (Source: P.A. 95-483, eff. 8-28-07; 95-583, eff. 8-31-07; 7 95-652, eff. 10-11-07; 95-876, eff. 8-21-08; 96-97, eff. 8 7-27-09; 96-718, eff. 8-25-09; 96-775, eff. 8-28-09; revised 9 9-9-09.)

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