- 1 AN ACT to amend the Illinois Pension Code by changing
- 2 Section 14-104.
- 3 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
- 4 represented in the General Assembly:
- 5 Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by
- 6 changing Section 14-104 as follows:
- 7 (40 ILCS 5/14-104) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 14-104)
- 8 Sec. 14-104. Service for which contributions permitted.
- 9 Contributions provided for in this Section shall cover the
- 10 period of service granted. Except as otherwise provided in
- 11 this Section, the contributions shall be based upon the
- 12 employee's compensation and contribution rate in effect on
- 13 the date he last became a member of the System; provided that
- 14 for all employment prior to January 1, 1969 the contribution
- 15 rate shall be that in effect for a noncovered employee on the
- 16 date he last became a member of the System. Except as
- otherwise provided in this Section, contributions permitted
- 18 under this Section shall include regular interest from the
- 19 date an employee last became a member of the System to the
- 20 date of payment.
- 21 These contributions must be paid in full before
- 22 retirement either in a lump sum or in installment payments in
- 23 accordance with such rules as may be adopted by the board.
- 24 (a) Any member may make contributions as required in
- 25 this Section for any period of service, subsequent to the
- date of establishment, but prior to the date of membership.
- 27 (b) Any employee who had been previously excluded from
- 28 membership because of age at entry and subsequently became
- 29 eligible may elect to make contributions as required in this
- 30 Section for the period of service during which he was
- 31 ineligible.

- 1 (c) An employee of the Department of Insurance who,
- 2 after January 1, 1944 but prior to becoming eligible for
- 3 membership, received salary from funds of insurance companies
- 4 in the process of rehabilitation, liquidation, conservation
- 5 or dissolution, may elect to make contributions as required
- 6 in this Section for such service.
- 7 (d) Any employee who rendered service in a State office
- 8 to which he was elected, or rendered service in the elective
- 9 office of Clerk of the Appellate Court prior to the date he
- 10 became a member, may make contributions for such service as
- 11 required in this Section. Any member who served by
- 12 appointment of the Governor under the Civil Administrative
- 13 Code of Illinois and did not participate in this System may
- 14 make contributions as required in this Section for such
- 15 service.
- 16 (e) Any person employed by the United States government
- or any instrumentality or agency thereof from January 1, 1942
- 18 through November 15, 1946 as the result of a transfer from
- 19 State service by executive order of the President of the
- 20 United States shall be entitled to prior service credit
- covering the period from January 1, 1942 through December 31,
- 22 1943 as provided for in this Article and to membership
- 23 service credit for the period from January 1, 1944 through
- November 15, 1946 by making the contributions required in
- 25 this Section. A person so employed on January 1, 1944 but
- 26 whose employment began after January 1, 1942 may qualify for
- 27 prior service and membership service credit under the same
- 28 conditions.
- 29 (f) An employee of the Department of Labor of the State
- 30 of Illinois who performed services for and under the
- 31 supervision of that Department prior to January 1, 1944 but
- 32 who was compensated for those services directly by federal
- 33 funds and not by a warrant of the Auditor of Public Accounts
- 34 paid by the State Treasurer may establish credit for such

- 1 employment by making the contributions required in this
- 2 Section. An employee of the Department of Agriculture of the
- 3 State of Illinois, who performed services for and under the
- 4 supervision of that Department prior to June 1, 1963, but was
- 5 compensated for those services directly by federal funds and
- 6 not paid by a warrant of the Auditor of Public Accounts paid
- 7 by the State Treasurer, and who did not contribute to any
- 8 other public employee retirement system for such service, may
- 9 establish credit for such employment by making the
- 10 contributions required in this Section.
- 11 (g) Any employee who executed a waiver of membership
- 12 within 60 days prior to January 1, 1944 may, at any time
- 13 while in the service of a department, file with the board a
- 14 rescission of such waiver. Upon making the contributions
- 15 required by this Section, the member shall be granted the
- 16 creditable service that would have been received if the
- 17 waiver had not been executed.
- 18 (h) Until May 1, 1990, an employee who was employed on a
- 19 full-time basis by a regional planning commission for at
- least 5 continuous years may establish creditable service for
- 21 such employment by making the contributions required under
- 22 this Section, provided that any credits earned by the
- 23 employee in the commission's retirement plan have been
- 24 terminated.
- 25 (i) Any person who rendered full time contractual
- 26 services to the General Assembly as a member of a legislative
- 27 staff may establish service credit for up to 8 years of such
- 28 services by making the contributions required under this
- 29 Section, provided that application therefor is made not later
- 30 than July 1, 1991.
- 31 (j) By paying the contributions otherwise required under
- 32 this Section, plus an amount determined by the Board to be
- 33 equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit plus
- 34 interest, an employee may establish service credit for a

- 1 period of up to 2 years spent in active military service for
- 2 which he does not qualify for credit under Section 14-105,
- 3 provided that (1) he was not dishonorably discharged from
- 4 such military service, and (2) the amount of service credit
- 5 established by a member under this subsection (j), when added
- 6 to the amount of military service credit granted to the
- 7 member under subsection (b) of Section 14-105, shall not
- 8 exceed 5 years.
- 9 (k) An employee who was employed on a full-time basis by
- 10 the Illinois State's Attorneys Association Statewide
- 11 Appellate Assistance Service LEAA-ILEC grant project prior to
- 12 the time that project became the State's Attorneys Appellate
- 13 Service Commission, now the Office of the State's Attorneys
- 14 Appellate Prosecutor, an agency of State government, may
- 15 establish creditable service for not more than 60 months
- 16 service for such employment by making contributions required
- 17 under this Section.

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- 18 (1) By paying the contributions otherwise required under
- 19 this Section, plus an amount determined by the Board to be
- 20 equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefit plus
- 21 interest, a member may establish service credit for periods
- of less than one year spent on authorized leave of absence
- from service, provided that (1) the period of leave began on

or after January 1, 1982 and (2) any credit established by

- 25 the member for the period of leave in any other public
- 26 employee retirement system has been terminated. A member may
- 27 establish service credit under this subsection for more than
- one period of authorized leave, and in that case the total
- 29 period of service credit established by the member under this
- 30 subsection may exceed one year. In determining the
- 31 contributions required for establishing service credit under
- 32 this subsection, the interest shall be calculated from the
- 33 beginning of the leave of absence to the date of payment.
- 34 (m) Any person who rendered contractual services to a

- 1 member of the General Assembly as a worker in the member's
- 2 district office may establish creditable service for up to 3
- 3 years of those contractual services by making the
- 4 contributions required under this Section. The System shall
- 5 determine a full-time salary equivalent for the purpose of
- 6 calculating the required contribution. To establish credit
- 7 under this subsection, the applicant must apply to the System
- 8 by March 1, 1998.
- 9 (n) Any person who rendered contractual services to a
- 10 member of the General Assembly as a worker providing
- 11 constituent services to persons in the member's district may
- 12 establish creditable service for up to 8 years of those
- 13 contractual services by making the contributions required
- 14 under this Section. The System shall determine a full-time
- 15 salary equivalent for the purpose of calculating the required
- 16 contribution. To establish credit under this subsection, the
- applicant must apply to the System by March 1, 1998.
- 18 (o) A member who participated in the Illinois
- 19 Legislative Staff Internship Program may establish creditable
- 20 service for up to one year of that participation by making
- 21 the contribution required under this Section. The System
- 22 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

- 26 this Code.

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- 27 (p) By paying the contributions required under this
- 28 <u>Section</u>, plus an amount determined by the Board to be equal
- 29 <u>to the employer's normal cost of the benefit plus interest,</u>
- 30 <u>an employee who was laid off but returned to State employment</u>
- 31 <u>under circumstances in which the employee is considered to</u>
- 32 <u>have been in continuous service for purposes of determining</u>
- 33 <u>seniority may establish creditable service for the period of</u>
- 34 the layoff, provided that (1) the applicant does not receive

- 1 <u>credit for that period under any other provision of this</u>
- 2 Code, (2) at the time of the layoff, the applicant had
- 3 <u>attained certified status under the rules of the Department</u>
- 4 of Central Management Services, and (3) the total amount of
- 5 <u>creditable service established by the applicant under this</u>
- 6 <u>subsection does not exceed 2 years.</u> For service established
- 7 <u>under this subsection</u>, the required employee contribution
- 8 shall be based on the rate of compensation earned by the
- 9 <u>employee on the date of returning to employment after the</u>
- 10 layoff and the contribution rate then in effect, and the
- 11 required interest shall be calculated from the date of
- 12 returning to employment after the layoff to the date of
- 13 <u>payment</u>.
- 14 (Source: P.A. 90-32, eff. 6-27-97; 90-448, eff. 8-16-97;
- 90-511, eff. 8-22-97; 90-655, eff. 7-30-98; 90-766, eff.
- 16 8-14-98.)
- 17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 18 becoming law.