

AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by changing Section 7-174 as follows:

(40 ILCS 5/7-174) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 7-174)

Sec. 7-174. Board created.

(a) A board of 8 members shall constitute a board of trustees authorized to carry out the provisions of this Article. Each trustee shall be a participating employee of a participating municipality or participating instrumentality or an annuitant of the Fund and no person shall be eligible to become a trustee after January 1, 1979 who does not have the minimum service credit in this Fund to qualify for a pension.

(b) The board shall consist of representatives of various groups as follows:

1. 4 trustees shall be a chief executive officer, chief finance officer, or other officer, executive or department head of a participating municipality or participating instrumentality, and each such trustee shall be designated as an executive trustee.

2. 3 trustees shall be employees of a participating municipality or participating instrumentality and each

such trustee shall be designated as an employee trustee. A person who meets the criteria to be an executive trustee may not serve as an employee trustee.

3. One trustee shall be an annuitant of the Fund, who shall be designated the annuitant trustee.

(c) A person elected as a trustee shall qualify as a trustee, after declaration by the board that he has been duly elected, upon taking and subscribing to the constitutional oath of office and filing same in the office of the Fund.

(d) The term of office of each trustee shall begin upon January 1 of the year following the year in which he is elected and shall continue for a period of 5 years and until a successor has been elected and qualified, or until prior resignation, death, incapacity or disqualification.

(e) Any elected trustee (other than the annuitant trustee) shall be disqualified immediately upon termination of employment with all participating municipalities and instrumentalities thereof or upon any change in status which removes any such trustee from all employments within the group he represents. The annuitant trustee shall be disqualified upon termination of his or her annuity.

(f) The trustees shall fill any vacancy in the board by appointment, for the period until the next election of trustees, or, if the remaining term is less than 2 years, for the remainder of the term, and until his successor has been elected and qualified.

(g) Trustees shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for any reasonable expenses incurred in attending meetings of the board and in performing duties on behalf of the Fund and for the amount of any earnings withheld by any employing municipality or participating instrumentality because of attendance at any board meeting.

(h) Each trustee shall be entitled to one vote on any and all actions before the board. At least 5 concurring votes shall be necessary for every decision or action by the board at any of its meetings. No decision or action shall become effective unless presented and so approved at a regular or duly called special meeting of the board.

(Source: P.A. 100-139, eff. 8-18-17.)

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