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 11-196 and by adding Section 12-162.5 as follows:

(40 ILCS 5/11-196) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 11-196)

Sec. 11-196. To subpoen witnesses and compel the production of records. To issue subpoens to compel the attendance of witnesses to testify before it and to compel the production of documents and records upon any matter concerning the Fund, including, but not limited to, in conjunction with: fund and allow witness fees not in excess of \$6 per day.

- (1) a disability claim;
- (2) an administrative review proceeding;
- (3) an attempt to obtain information to assist in the collection of sums due to the Fund;
- (4) obtaining any and all personal identifying information necessary for the administration of benefits;
- (5) the determination of the death of a benefit recipient or a potential benefit recipient; or
- (6) a felony forfeiture investigation.

 The fees of witnesses for attendance and travel shall be

the same as the fees of witnesses before the circuit courts of this State and shall be paid by the party seeking the subpoena. The Board may apply to any circuit court in the State for an order requiring compliance with a subpoena issued under this Section. Subpoenas issued under this Section shall be subject to applicable provisions of the Code of Civil Procedure. The president or other members of the board may administer oaths to witnesses.

(Source: Laws 1963, p. 161.)

(40 ILCS 5/12-162.5 new)

Sec. 12-162.5. To subpoena witnesses and compel the production of records. To issue subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses to testify before it and to compel the production of documents and records upon any matter concerning the Fund, including, but not limited to, in conjunction with:

- (1) a disability claim;
- (2) an administrative review proceeding;
- (3) an attempt to obtain information to assist in the collection of sums due to the Fund;
- (4) obtaining any and all personal identifying information necessary for the administration of benefits;
- (5) the determination of the death of a benefit recipient or a potential benefit recipient; or
- (6) a felony forfeiture investigation.

 The fees of witnesses for attendance and travel shall be

the same as the fees of witnesses before the circuit courts of this State and shall be paid by the party seeking the subpoena. The Board may apply to any circuit court in the State for an order requiring compliance with a subpoena issued under this Section. Subpoenas issued under this Section shall be subject to applicable provisions of the Code of Civil Procedure. The president or other members of the board may administer oaths to witnesses.

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