

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 Sections 5-153, 5-155, 5-163, 5-167.1, 5-167.4, 5-169, 5-170, 5-238, 6-128.4, 6-150, 6-158, 6-164, 6-166, 6-167, and 6-229 as follows:

(40 ILCS 5/5-153) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-153)

Sec. 5-153. Death benefit.

(a) Effective January 1, 1962, an ordinary death benefit is payable on account of any policeman in service and in receipt of salary on or after such date, which benefit is in addition to all other annuities and benefits herein provided. This benefit is payable upon death of a policeman:

(1) occurring in active service while in receipt of salary;

(2) on an authorized and approved leave of absence, without salary, beginning on or after January 1, 1962, if the death occurs within 60 days from the date the employee was in receipt of salary; or otherwise in the service and not separated by resignation or discharge beginning January 1, 1962 if death occurs before his resignation or discharge from the service;

(3) receiving duty disability or ordinary disability benefit;

(4) occurring within 60 days from the date of termination of duty disability or ordinary disability benefit payments if re-entry into service had not occurred;
or

(5) occurring on retirement and while in receipt of an age and service annuity, Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity, or prior service annuity; provided (a) retirement on such annuity occurred on or after January 1, 1962, and (b) such separation from service was effective on or after the policeman's attainment of age 50, and (c) application for such annuity was made within 60 days after separation from service.

(b) The ordinary death benefit is payable to such beneficiary or beneficiaries as the policeman has nominated by written direction duly signed and acknowledged before an officer authorized to take acknowledgments, and filed with the board. If no such written direction has been filed or if the designated beneficiaries do not survive the policeman, payment of the benefit shall be made to his estate.

(c) Until December 31, 1977, if death occurs prior to retirement on annuity and before the policeman's attainment of age 50, the amount of the benefit payable is \$6,000. If death occurs prior to retirement, at age 50 or over, the benefit of \$6,000 shall be reduced \$400 for each year (commencing on the

policeman's attainment of age 50, and thereafter on each succeeding birthdate) that the policeman's age, at date of death, is more than age 50, but in no event below the amount of \$2,000. However, if death results from injury incurred in the performance of an act or acts of duty, prior to retirement on annuity, the amount of the benefit payable is \$6,000 notwithstanding the age attained.

Until December 31, 1977, if the policeman's death occurs while he is in receipt of an annuity, the benefit is \$2,000 if retirement was effective upon attainment of age 55 or greater. If the policeman retired at age 50 or over and before age 55, the benefit of \$2,000 shall be reduced \$100 for each year or fraction of a year that the policeman's age at retirement was less than age 55 to a minimum payment of \$1,500.

After December 31, 1977, and on or before January 1, 1986, if death occurs prior to retirement on annuity and before the policeman's attainment of age 50, the amount of the benefit payable is \$7,000. If death occurs prior to retirement, at age 50 or over, the benefit of \$7,000 shall be reduced \$400 for each year (commencing on the policeman's attainment of age 50, and thereafter on each succeeding birthdate) that the policeman's age, at date of death, is more than age 50, but in no event below the amount of \$3,000. However, if death results from injury incurred in the performance of an act or acts of duty, prior to retirement on annuity, the amount of the benefit payable is \$7,000 notwithstanding the age attained.

After December 31, 1977, and on or before January 1, 1986, if the policeman's death occurs while he is in receipt of an annuity, the benefit is \$2,250 if retirement was effective upon attainment of age 55 or greater. If the policeman retired at age 50 or over and before age 55, the benefit of \$2,250 shall be reduced \$100 for each year or fraction of a year that the policeman's age at retirement was less than age 55 to a minimum payment of \$1,750.

After January 1, 1986, if death occurs prior to retirement on annuity and before the policeman's attainment of age 50, the amount of benefit payable is \$12,000. If death occurs prior to retirement, at age 50 or over, the benefit of \$12,000 shall be reduced \$400 for each year (commencing on the policeman's attainment of age 50, and thereafter on each succeeding birthdate) that the policeman's age, at date of death, is more than age 50, but in no event below the amount of \$6,000. However, if death results from injury in the performance of an act or acts of duty, prior to retirement on annuity, the amount of benefit payable is \$12,000 notwithstanding the age attained.

After January 1, 1986, if the policeman's death occurs while he is in receipt of an annuity, the benefit is \$6,000.

(Source: P.A. 84-1104.)

(40 ILCS 5/5-155) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-155)

Sec. 5-155. Ordinary disability benefit. A policeman less than age 63 who becomes disabled after the effective date as

the result of any cause other than injury incurred in the performance of an act of duty, shall receive ordinary disability benefit during any period or periods of disability exceeding 30 days, for which he does not have a right to receive any part of his salary. Payment of such benefit shall not exceed, in the aggregate, throughout the total service of the policeman, a period equal to one-fourth of the service rendered to the city prior to the time he became disabled, nor more than 5 years. In computing such period of service, the time that the policeman received ordinary disability benefit shall not be included.

When a disabled policeman becomes age 63 or would have been retired by operation of law, whichever is later, the disability benefit shall cease. The policeman, if still disabled, shall thereafter receive such annuity as is provided in accordance with other provisions of this Article.

Ordinary disability benefit shall be 50% of the policeman's salary, as salary is defined in this Article (including the limitation in Section 5-238 if applicable), at the time disability occurs. Until September 1, 1969, before any payment, an amount equal to the sum ordinarily deducted from the policeman's salary for all annuity purposes for the period for which payment of ordinary disability benefit is made shall be deducted from such payment and credited as a deduction from salary for such period. Beginning September 1, 1969, the city shall also contribute all amounts ordinarily contributed by it

for annuity purposes for the policeman as if he were in active discharge of his duties. Such sums so credited shall be regarded, for annuity and refund purposes, as sums contributed by the policeman.

(Source: P.A. 86-272.)

(40 ILCS 5/5-163) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-163)

Sec. 5-163. Refund - General. (a) A policeman, without regard to his period of service, who withdraws before age 50, and a policeman with less than 10 years of service who withdraws before age 57, is entitled to a refund of the amount deducted from his salary for age and service annuity or Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity, for automatic annual increase in annuity as provided in Section 5-167.1, and for widow's annuity or Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity, together with interest at 1-1/2% per year on each deduction from the date of each deduction until the date of his withdrawal from the service.

(b) A policeman may receive a refund until the annuity to which he is entitled has been fixed. Thereafter, he shall have no such right of refund.

(c) A policeman who withdraws the amount credited to him surrenders and forfeits all rights to any annuity or other benefit from the fund, for himself and for any other person or persons who might otherwise have benefited through him. The rights so forfeited shall be restored to him, his wife or widow and his children upon full repayment as provided in Section

5-164.

If the policeman subsequently re-enters service before age 57, and has not so repaid in full the amounts refunded the rights forfeited shall not be restored, but the policeman shall retain the right (which is also secured to the widow) to have the period of service represented by the refunds counted in the compensation of length of service, except as otherwise provided in Section 5-164.

(d) A policeman who has served less than 10 years who has not received a refund shall have all amounts to his credit for purposes on the date of his withdrawal improved by interest while he is out of service until he attains age 57, if he subsequently re-enters the service and attains a right to annuity.

(e) If a policeman elects to make additional contribution for past service as provided in Section 5-174 and fails to pay such contributions in full within the time specified in said section, a refund of the amount so paid, with interest at 1-1/2% per year, compounded annually, shall be refunded as provided in said section.

(f) If a policeman makes contributions in accordance with the provisions of Section 5-174(b) and subsequently returns to the position he holds by certification and appointment as the result of competitive civil service examination, he shall receive a refund of such contributions, upon application therefor, together with interest at 1-1/2% per year on each

such deduction from the date it was made to the date of refund. Application for refund must be made before the annuity to which he has a right has been fixed.

(Source: P.A. 81-1536.)

(40 ILCS 5/5-167.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-167.1)

Sec. 5-167.1. Automatic increase in annuity; retirement from service after September 1, 1967.

(a) A policeman who retires from service after September 1, 1967 with at least 20 years of service credit shall, upon either the first of the month following the first anniversary of his date of retirement if he is age 60 (age 55 if born before January 1, 1966 ~~1955~~) or over on that anniversary date, or upon the first of the month following his attainment of age 60 (age 55 if born before January 1, 1966 ~~1955~~) if it occurs after the first anniversary of his retirement date, have his then fixed and payable monthly annuity increased by 1 1/2% and such first fixed annuity as granted at retirement increased by an additional 1 1/2% in January of each year thereafter up to a maximum increase of 30%. Beginning January 1, 1983 for policemen born before January 1, 1930, and beginning January 1, 1988 for policemen born on or after January 1, 1930 but before January 1, 1940, and beginning January 1, 1996 for policemen born on or after January 1, 1940 but before January 1, 1945, and beginning January 1, 2000 for policemen born on or after January 1, 1945 but before January 1, 1950, and beginning

January 1, 2005 for policemen born on or after January 1, 1950 but before January 1, 1955, and beginning January 1, 2017 for policemen born on or after January 1, 1955 but before January 1, 1966, such increases shall be 3% and such policemen shall not be subject to the 30% maximum increase.

Any policeman born before January 1, 1945 who qualifies for a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 1996 is entitled to receive the initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 1996, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last. The changes to this Section made by Public Act 89-12 apply beginning January 1, 1996 and without regard to whether the policeman or annuitant terminated service before the effective date of that Act.

Any policeman born before January 1, 1950 who qualifies for a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 2000 is entitled to receive the initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 2000, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last. The changes to this Section made by this amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly apply without regard to whether the policeman or annuitant terminated service before the effective date of this amendatory Act.

Any policeman born before January 1, 1955 who qualifies for

a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 2005 is entitled to receive the initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 2005, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last. The changes to this Section made by this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly apply without regard to whether the policeman or annuitant terminated service before the effective date of this amendatory Act.

Any policeman born before January 1, 1966 who qualifies for a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 2017 is entitled to receive an initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 2017, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last, in an amount equal to 3% for each complete year following the date of retirement or attainment of age 55, whichever occurs later. The changes to this subsection made by this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly apply without regard to whether the policeman or annuitant terminated service before the effective date of this amendatory Act.

(b) Subsection (a) of this Section is not applicable to an employee receiving a term annuity.

(c) To help defray the cost of such increases in annuity, there shall be deducted, beginning September 1, 1967, from each payment of salary to a policeman, 1/2 of 1% of each salary

payment concurrently with and in addition to the salary deductions otherwise made for annuity purposes.

The city, in addition to the contributions otherwise made by it for annuity purposes under other provisions of this Article, shall make matching contributions concurrently with such salary deductions.

Each such 1/2 of 1% deduction from salary and each such contribution by the city of 1/2 of 1% of salary shall be credited to the Automatic Increase Reserve, to be used to defray the cost of the ~~1-1/2%~~ annuity increase provided by this Section. Any balance in such reserve as of the beginning of each calendar year shall be credited with interest at the rate of 3% per annum.

Such deductions from salary and city contributions shall continue while the policeman is in service.

The salary deductions provided in this Section are not subject to refund, except to the policeman himself, in any case in which: (i) the a policeman withdraws prior to qualification for minimum annuity or Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity and applies for refund, (ii) the policeman or applies for an annuity of a type that is not subject to annual increases under this Section, or (iii), ~~and also where~~ a term annuity becomes payable. In such cases, the total of such salary deductions shall be refunded to the policeman, without interest, and charged to the Automatic Increase Reserve.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article,

the Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity of a person who first becomes a policeman under this Article on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly shall be increased on the January 1 occurring either on or after (i) the attainment of age 60 or (ii) the first anniversary of the annuity start date, whichever is later. Each annual increase shall be calculated at 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted retirement annuity. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the annuity shall not be increased.

For the purposes of this subsection (d), "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the pension funds by November 1 of each year.

(Source: P.A. 96-1495, eff. 1-1-11; 97-344, eff. 8-12-11.)

(40 ILCS 5/5-167.4) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-167.4)

Sec. 5-167.4. Widow annuitant minimum annuity.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, beginning January 1, 1996, the minimum amount of widow's annuity payable to any person who is entitled to receive a widow's annuity under this Article is \$700 per month, without regard to whether the deceased policeman is in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1995.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, beginning January 1, 1999, the minimum amount of widow's annuity payable to any person who is entitled to receive a widow's annuity under this Article is \$800 per month, without regard to whether the deceased policeman is in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1998.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, beginning January 1, 2004, the minimum amount of widow's annuity payable to any person who is entitled to receive a widow's annuity under this Article is \$900 per month, without regard to whether the deceased policeman is in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, beginning January 1, 2005, the minimum amount of widow's annuity payable to any person who is entitled to receive a widow's annuity under this Article is \$1,000 per month, without regard to whether the deceased policeman is in service on or

after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

(b) Effective January 1, 1994, the minimum amount of widow's annuity shall be \$700 per month for the following classes of widows, without regard to whether the deceased policeman is in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1993: (1) the widow of a policeman who dies in service with at least 10 years of service credit, or who dies in service after June 30, 1981; and (2) the widow of a policeman who withdraws from service with 20 or more years of service credit and does not withdraw a refund, provided that the widow is married to the policeman before he withdraws from service.

(b-5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, beginning January 1, 2017, the minimum widow's annuity under this Article shall be no less than 125% of the Federal Poverty Level for all persons receiving widow's annuities on or after that date, without regard to whether the deceased policeman is in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly. For purposes of this Section, "Federal Poverty Level" means the poverty guidelines applicable to an individual in a single-person household located in Illinois, as updated periodically in the Federal Register by the United States Department of Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2).

(c) The city, in addition to the contributions otherwise

made by it under the other provisions of this Article, shall make such contributions as are necessary for the minimum widow's annuities provided under this Section in the manner prescribed in Section 5-175.

(Source: P.A. 93-654, eff. 1-16-04.)

(40 ILCS 5/5-169) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-169)

Sec. 5-169. Contributions for age and service annuities or Tier 2 monthly retirement annuities for present employees and future entrants.

(a) Beginning on the effective date and before January 1, 1954, 3 1/2% per annum (except that beginning July 1, 1939 and before January 1, 1954 for a future entrant, 4%) and beginning January 1, 1954 and before August 1, 1957, 6%, and beginning August 1, 1957, 7% of each payment of the salary of each present employee and future entrant shall be deducted and contributed to the fund for age and service annuity or Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity. The deductions shall be made from each payment of salary and shall continue while the employee is in service.

Any policeman whose employment has been transferred to the police service of the city as a result of "An Act in relation to or exchange of certain functions, property and personnel among cities, and park districts having co-extensive geographic areas and populations in excess of 500,000", approved July 5, 1957, as now and hereafter amended, shall also

contribute a sum equal to 2% of the total salary received by him in his employment between August 1, 1957 to July 17, 1959, with the park district from which he has been transferred together with interest on the unpaid contributions of 4% per annum from July 17, 1959 to the date such payments are made. Such additional sum may be paid at any time before the time such policeman enters into age and service annuity.

Concurrently with each such deduction, beginning on the effective date and prior to January 1, 1954, 8 1/2% (except for a future entrant beginning on July 1, 1939, 9 5/7%) and beginning January 1, 1954, 9 5/7% of each payment of salary shall be contributed by the city, but in the case of a future entrant who attains age 63 prior to January 1, 1988 while still in service, no contributions shall be made for the period between the date the employee attains age 63 and January 1, 1988.

(b) Each deduction from salary made prior to the date the age and service annuity for the employee is fixed, and each contribution by the city, shall be credited to the employee and be improved by interest for a present employee during the time he is in service until age and service annuity is fixed, and, for a future entrant, during the time he is in service. The sum accumulated shall be used to provide age and service annuity for the employee.

Beginning September 1, 1967, the deductions from salary provided in Section 5-167.1 shall also be made.

(Source: P.A. 86-272.)

(40 ILCS 5/5-170) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-170)

Sec. 5-170. Contributions for widow's annuities and Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity ~~for present employees and future entrants~~. Beginning on the effective date 1%, and beginning January 1, 1976, 1-1/2% of the salary of each male present employee and future entrant shall be deducted and contributed to the fund for widow's annuity or Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity; however, in the case of a future entrant who attains age 63 prior to January 1, 1988 while still in service, no deductions shall be made for the period between the date the employee attains age 63 and January 1, 1988. The deductions shall be made from each payment of salary and shall continue during the employee's service.

An employee in the service and over age 57 on the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1969 shall have the option of contributing 1% of salary together with the effective rate of interest for service rendered by him subsequent to his attainment of age 57 and prior to such effective date. If such retroactive contributions are made the wife or widow shall be entitled to the widow's annuity provided in Section 5-136.

Concurrently with each such deduction, the city shall contribute 2% of each such payment of salary.

Each deduction from salary and contribution by the city shall be allocated to the account of and credited to the

employee. The amount so credited shall be improved at the applicable rate of interest; except that in the case of an employee who attains age 63 prior to January 1, 1988 while still in service, no interest shall be credited between the date the employee attains age 63 and January 1, 1988.

(Source: P.A. 86-272.)

(40 ILCS 5/5-238)

Sec. 5-238. Provisions applicable to new hires; Tier 2.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the provisions of this Section apply to a person who first becomes a policeman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011, and to certain qualified survivors of such a policeman. Such persons, and the benefits and restrictions that apply specifically to them under this Article, may be referred to as "Tier 2".

(b) A policeman who has withdrawn from service, has attained age 50 ~~55~~ or more, and ~~who~~ has 10 or more years of service in that capacity shall be entitled, upon proper application being received by the Fund, ~~at his option~~ to receive a Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity for his service as a police officer. The Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity shall be computed by multiplying 2.5% for each year of such service by his or her final average salary, subject to an annuity reduction factor of. ~~The retirement annuity of a policeman who is retiring after attaining age 50 with 10 or more years of~~

~~ereditable service shall be reduced by~~ one-half of 1% for each month that the police officer's age at retirement is under age 55. The Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity is in lieu of any age and service annuity or other form of retirement annuity under this Article.

The maximum retirement annuity under this subsection (b) shall be 75% of final average salary.

For the purposes of this subsection (b), "final average salary" means the average monthly salary obtained by dividing the total salary of the policeman during the 96 consecutive months of service within the last 120 months of service in which the total salary was the highest by the number of months of service in that period.

Beginning on January 1, 2011, for all purposes under this Code (including without limitation the calculation of benefits and employee contributions), the annual salary based on the plan year of a member or participant to whom this Section applies shall not exceed \$106,800; however, that amount shall annually thereafter be increased by the lesser of (i) 3% of that amount, including all previous adjustments, or (ii) one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, including all previous adjustments.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, for a person who first becomes a policeman under this Article

on or after January 1, 2011, eligibility for and the amount of the annuity to which the qualified surviving spouse, children, and ~~or~~ parents are entitled under this subsection (c) shall be determined as follows:

(1) The surviving spouse of a deceased policeman to whom this Section applies shall be deemed qualified to receive a Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under this paragraph (1) if: (i) the deceased policeman meets the requirements specified under subdivision (A), (B), (C), or (D) of this paragraph (1); and (ii) the surviving spouse would not otherwise be excluded from receiving a widow's annuity under the eligibility requirements for a widow's annuity set forth in Section 5-146. The Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity is in lieu of the widow's annuity determined under any other Section of this Article and is subject to the requirements of Section 5-147.1.

As used in this subsection (c), "earned annuity" means a Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity determined under subsection (b) of this Section, including any increases the policeman had received pursuant to Section 5-167.1.

(A) If the deceased policeman was receiving an earned annuity at the date of his or her death, the Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under this paragraph (1) shall be in the amount of 66 2/3% of the policeman's earned annuity at the date of death.

(B) If the deceased policeman was not receiving an

earned annuity but had at least 10 years of service at the time of death, the Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under this paragraph (1) shall be the greater of: (i) 30% of the annual maximum salary attached to the classified civil service position of a first class patrolman at the time of his death; or (ii) 66 2/3% of the Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity that the deceased policeman would have been eligible to receive under subsection (b) of this Section, based upon the actual service accrued through the day before the policeman's death, but determined as though the policeman was at least age 55 on the day before his or her death and retired on that day.

(C) If the deceased policeman was an active policeman with at least 1 1/2 but less than 10 years of service at the time of death, the Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under this paragraph (1) shall be in the amount of 30% of the annual maximum salary attached to the classified civil service position of a first class patrolman at the time of his death.

(D) If the performance of an act or acts of duty results directly in the death of a policeman subject to this Section, or prevents him from subsequently resuming active service in the police department, and if the policeman's Tier 2 surviving spouse would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements for a

compensation annuity or supplemental annuity granted under Section 5-144, then in addition to the Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity provided under subdivision (A), (B), or (C) of this paragraph (1), whichever applies, the Tier 2 surviving spouse shall be qualified to receive compensation annuity or supplemental annuity, as would be provided under Section 5-144, in order to bring the total benefit up to the applicable 75% salary limitation provided in that Section, but subject to the Tier 2 salary cap provided under subsection (b) of this Section; except that no such annuity shall be paid to the surviving spouse of a policeman who dies while in receipt of disability benefits when the policeman's death was caused by an intervening illness or injury unrelated to the illness or injury that had prevented him from subsequently resuming active service in the police department.

(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the monthly Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under subdivision (A) or (B) of this paragraph (1) ~~of a survivor of a person who first becomes a policeman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011~~ shall be increased on the January 1 next occurring after (i) attainment of age 60 by the recipient of the Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity or (ii) the first anniversary of the Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity

start date, whichever is later, survivor's annuity and on each January 1 thereafter, by 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted Tier 2 surviving spouse's ~~survivor's~~ annuity. If the unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the annuity shall not be increased.

For the purposes of this Section, "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the pension funds.

(F) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this paragraph (1), for a qualified surviving spouse who is entitled to a Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under subdivision (A), (B), (C), or (D) of this paragraph (1), that Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity shall not

be less than the amount of the minimum widow's annuity established from time to time under Section 5-167.4.

(2) Surviving children of a deceased policeman subject to this Section who would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements for a child's annuity set forth in Sections 5-151 and 5-152 shall be deemed qualified to receive a Tier 2 child's annuity under this subsection (c), which shall be in lieu of, but in the same amount and paid in the same manner as, the child's annuity provided under those Sections; except that any salary used for computing a Tier 2 child's annuity shall be subject to the Tier 2 salary cap provided under subsection (b) of this Section. For purposes of determining any pro rata reduction in child's annuities under this subsection (c), references in Section 5-152 to the combined annuities of the family shall be deemed to refer to the combined Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity, if any, and the Tier 2 child's annuities payable under this subsection (c).

(3) Surviving parents of a deceased policeman subject to this Section who would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements for a parent's annuity set forth in Section 5-152 shall be deemed qualified to receive a Tier 2 parent's annuity under this subsection (c), which shall be in lieu of, but in the same amount and paid in the same manner as, the parent's annuity provided under Section 5-152.1; except that any salary used for computing a Tier 2

parent's annuity shall be subject to the Tier 2 salary cap provided under subsection (b) of this Section. For the purposes of this Section, a reference to "annuity" in Section 5-152.1 includes: (i) in the context of a widow, a Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity and (ii) in the context of a child, a Tier 2 child's annuity.

(d) The General Assembly finds and declares that the provisions of this Section, as enacted by Public Act 96-1495, require clarification relating to necessary eligibility standards and the manner of determining and paying the intended Tier 2 benefits and contributions in order to enable the Fund to unambiguously implement and administer benefits for Tier 2 members. The changes to this Section and the conforming changes to Sections 5-153, 5-155, 5-163, 5-167.1 (except for the changes to subsection (a) of that Section), 5-169, and 5-170 made by this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly are enacted to clarify the provisions of this Section as enacted by Public Act 96-1495, and are hereby declared to represent and be consistent with the original and continuing intent of this Section and Public Act 96-1495.

(e) The changes to Sections 5-153, 5-155, 5-163, 5-167.1 (except for the changes to subsection (a) of that Section), 5-169, and 5-170 made by this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly are intended to be retroactive to January 1, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1495) and, for the purposes of Section 1-103.1 of this Code, they apply without

regard to whether the relevant policeman was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly.

(Source: P.A. 96-1495, eff. 1-1-11.)

(40 ILCS 5/6-128.4) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-128.4)

Sec. 6-128.4. Minimum widow's annuities.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, beginning January 1, 1996, the minimum amount of widow's annuity payable to any person who is entitled to receive a widow's annuity under this Article is \$700 per month, without regard to whether the deceased fireman is in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1995.

(b) Notwithstanding Section 6-128.3, beginning January 1, 1994, the minimum widow's annuity under this Article shall be \$700 per month for (1) all persons receiving widow's annuities on that date who are survivors of employees who retired at age 50 or over with at least 20 years of service, and (2) persons who become eligible for widow's annuities and are survivors of employees who retired at age 50 or over with at least 20 years of service.

(c) Notwithstanding Section 6-128.3, beginning January 1, 1999, the minimum widow's annuity under this Article shall be \$800 per month for (1) all persons receiving widow's annuities on that date who are survivors of employees who retired at age 50 or over with at least 20 years of service, and (2) persons

who become eligible for widow's annuities and are survivors of employees who retired at age 50 or over with at least 20 years of service.

(d) Notwithstanding Section 6-128.3, beginning January 1, 2004, the minimum widow's annuity under this Article shall be \$900 per month for all persons receiving widow's annuities on or after that date, without regard to whether the deceased fireman is in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

(e) Notwithstanding Section 6-128.3, beginning January 1, 2005, the minimum widow's annuity under this Article shall be \$1,000 per month for all persons receiving widow's annuities on or after that date, without regard to whether the deceased fireman is in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.

(f) Notwithstanding Section 6-128.3, beginning January 1, 2017, the minimum widow's annuity under this Article shall be no less than 125% of the Federal Poverty Level for all persons receiving widow's annuities on or after that date, without regard to whether the deceased fireman is in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly. For purposes of this Section, "Federal Poverty Level" means the poverty guidelines applicable to an individual in a single-person household located in Illinois, as updated periodically in the Federal Register by the United States Department of Health and Human Services under the

authority of 42 U.S.C. 9902(2).

(Source: P.A. 93-654, eff. 1-16-04.)

(40 ILCS 5/6-150) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-150)

Sec. 6-150. Death benefit.

(a) Effective January 1, 1962, an ordinary death benefit shall be payable on account of any fireman in service and in receipt of salary on or after such date, which benefit shall be in addition to all other annuities and benefits herein provided. This benefit shall be payable upon death of a fireman:

(1) occurring in active service while in receipt of salary;

(2) on an authorized and approved leave of absence, without salary, beginning on or after January 1, 1962, if the death occurs within 60 days from the date the fireman was in receipt of salary;

(3) receiving duty, occupational disease, or ordinary disability benefit;

(4) occurring within 60 days from the date of termination of duty disability, occupational disease disability or ordinary disability benefit payments if re-entry into service had not occurred; or

(5) occurring on retirement and while in receipt of an age and service annuity, prior service annuity, Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity, or minimum annuity; provided

(a) retirement on such annuity occurred on or after January 1, 1962, and (b) such separation from service was effective on or after the fireman's attainment of age 50, and (c) application for such annuity was made within 60 days after separation from service.

(b) The ordinary death benefit shall be payable to such beneficiary or beneficiaries as the fireman has nominated by written direction duly signed and acknowledged before an officer authorized to take acknowledgments, and filed with the board. If no such written direction has been filed or if the designated beneficiaries do not survive the fireman, payment of the benefit shall be made to his estate.

(c) Beginning July 1, 1983, if death occurs prior to retirement on annuity and before the fireman's attainment of age 50, the amount of the benefit payable shall be \$12,000. Beginning July 1, 1983, if death occurs prior to retirement, at age 50 or over, the benefit of \$12,000 shall be reduced \$400 for each year (commencing on the fireman's attainment of age 50 and thereafter on each succeeding birth date) that the fireman's age, at date of death, is more than age 49, but in no event below the amount of \$6,000.

Beginning July 1, 1983, if the fireman's death occurs while he is in receipt of an annuity, the benefit shall be \$6,000.

(Source: P.A. 83-152.)

Sec. 6-158. Refund - General.

(a) A fireman who withdraws before age 50 and a fireman with less than 10 years of service who withdraws before age 57, or any fireman who withdraws and enters the service of another department of the city, has a right to a refund of the entire amount to his credit as of the date of withdrawal for age and service annuity or Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity, for automatic annual increase in annuity as provided in Section 6-164, and for widow's annuity or Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity, from deductions from salary.

(b) Any such fireman shall be entitled to refund until he re-enters service or until his annuity is fixed.

(c) A fireman who receives a refund forfeits all rights to any annuity or benefit from the fund, for himself and for any other person who might benefit through him because of his service, provided he shall retain the right to credit for any such service, for the purpose of computing his total service if he re-enters service before age 57, becomes a beneficiary of the fund and makes repayment of the refund with interest.

(d) A fireman completing 10 years of service who does not receive a refund, may receive an annuity as provided in this Article.

(e) A fireman completing less than 10 years who does not receive a refund has a right to have all amounts to his credit for annuity purposes on the date of withdrawal improved by interest while he is out of service until age 57 only, for his

benefit and the benefit of any person who may have any right to annuity through him, if he subsequently reenters service and attains a right to annuity.

(Source: Laws 1965, p. 2464.)

(40 ILCS 5/6-164) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-164)

Sec. 6-164. Automatic annual increase; retirement after September 1, 1959.

(a) A fireman qualifying for a minimum annuity who retires from service after September 1, 1959 shall, upon either the first of the month following the first anniversary of his date of retirement if he is age 60 (age 55 if born before January 1, 1966 ~~1955~~) or over on that anniversary date, or upon the first of the month following his attainment of age 60 (age 55 if born before January 1, 1966 ~~1955~~) if that occurs after the first anniversary of his retirement date, have his then fixed and payable monthly annuity increased by 1 1/2%, and such first fixed annuity as granted at retirement increased by an additional 1 1/2% in January of each year thereafter up to a maximum increase of 30%. Beginning July 1, 1982 for firemen born before January 1, 1930, and beginning January 1, 1990 for firemen born after December 31, 1929 and before January 1, 1940, and beginning January 1, 1996 for firemen born after December 31, 1939 but before January 1, 1945, and beginning January 1, 2004, for firemen born after December 31, 1944 but before January 1, 1955, and beginning January 1, 2017, for

firemen born after December 31, 1954 but before January 1, 1966, such increases shall be 3% and such firemen shall not be subject to the 30% maximum increase.

Any fireman born before January 1, 1945 who qualifies for a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 1996 is entitled to receive the initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 1996, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last. The changes to this Section made by this amendatory Act of 1995 apply beginning January 1, 1996 and apply without regard to whether the fireman or annuitant terminated service before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1995.

Any fireman born before January 1, 1955 who qualifies for a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 2004 is entitled to receive the initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 2004, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last. The changes to this Section made by this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly apply without regard to whether the fireman or annuitant terminated service before the effective date of this amendatory Act.

Any fireman born before January 1, 1966 who qualifies for a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but has not

received the initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 2017 is entitled to receive an initial increase under this subsection on (1) January 1, 2017, (2) the first anniversary of the date of retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs last, in an amount equal to 3% for each complete year following the date of retirement or attainment of age 55, whichever occurs later. The changes to this subsection made by this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly apply without regard to whether the fireman or annuitant terminated service before the effective date of this amendatory Act.

(b) Subsection (a) of this Section is not applicable to an employee receiving a term annuity.

(c) To help defray the cost of such increases in annuity, there shall be deducted, beginning September 1, 1959, from each payment of salary to a fireman, 1/8 of 1% of each such salary payment and an additional 1/8 of 1% beginning on September 1, 1961, and September 1, 1963, respectively, concurrently with and in addition to the salary deductions otherwise made for annuity purposes.

Each such additional 1/8 of 1% deduction from salary which shall, on September 1, 1963, result in a total increase of 3/8 of 1% of salary, shall be credited to the Automatic Increase Reserve, to be used, together with city contributions as provided in this Article, to defray the cost of the ~~1-1/2%~~ annuity increments ~~herein~~ specified in this Section. Any balance in such reserve as of the beginning of each calendar

year shall be credited with interest at the rate of 3% per annum.

The salary deductions provided in this Section are not subject to refund, except to the fireman himself, in any case in which: (i) the a fireman withdraws prior to qualification for minimum annuity or Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity and applies for refund, (ii) the fireman or applies for an annuity of a type that is not subject to annual increases under this Section, or (iii), and also where a term annuity becomes payable. In such cases, the total of such salary deductions shall be refunded to the fireman, without interest, and charged to the aforementioned reserve.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity of a person who first becomes a fireman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 occurring either on or after (i) the attainment of age 60 or (ii) the first anniversary of the annuity start date, whichever is later. Each annual increase shall be calculated at 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted retirement annuity. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the annuity shall

not be increased.

For the purposes of this subsection (d), "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the pension funds by November 1 of each year.

(Source: P.A. 96-1495, eff. 1-1-11.)

(40 ILCS 5/6-166) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-166)

Sec. 6-166. Contributions for age and service annuities or Tier 2 monthly retirement annuities for present employees and future entrants.

(a) After the effective date and prior to July 1, 1953, 3 1/2%, and after June 30, 1953, and prior to September 1, 1959, 6%, and beginning September 1, 1959, 7 1/8% of each payment of the salary of each present employee and future entrant shall be deducted and contributed to the fund for age and service annuity or Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity. The deductions shall be made at the time payments of salary are payable and shall continue while the employee is in service.

Concurrently with each such contribution, the city shall contribute 8 1/2% of each payment of salary, but the city

contributions shall cease for all employees upon their attainment of age 63.

(b) Each contribution by the employee and the city shall be allocated to the account of and credited to the employee, and shall be improved by interest at the applicable rate during the time he is in service until the age and service annuity is fixed. Any accretion, by way of interest or otherwise, upon such sum or any deduction from salary made after the annuity is fixed for a present employee or after attainment of age 63 by a future entrant who first becomes a fireman under this Article before January 1, 2011 shall not be credited to the employee for age and service annuity.

(Source: P.A. 76-1668.)

(40 ILCS 5/6-167) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-167)

Sec. 6-167. Contributions for widow's annuity and Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity. Beginning on the effective date and prior to September 1, 1957, 1% of each payment of salary of not more than \$3,000 of each employee and beginning September 1, 1957, 1% of each payment of salary of not more than \$6,000 of each present employee and future entrant shall be deducted and contributed to the fund for widow's annuity. After September 1, 1967 and prior to January 1, 1976, 1%, and beginning January 1, 1976, 1 1/2% of salary without limitation shall be deducted from the pay of each present employee and future entrant and contributed to the fund for widow's annuity or Tier 2 surviving

spouse's annuity. The deduction shall be made at the time the payments of salary are payable and shall continue during the service of the employee.

Concurrently with each contribution, the city shall contribute 2% of each payment of salary.

Each contribution by the employee and the city shall be allocated to the accounts of and credited to the employee for widow's annuity or Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity.

(Source: P.A. 79-633.)

(40 ILCS 5/6-229)

Sec. 6-229. Provisions applicable to new hires; Tier 2.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the provisions of this Section apply to a person who first becomes a fireman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011, and to certain qualified survivors of such a fireman. Such persons, and the benefits and restrictions that apply specifically to them under this Article, may be referred to as "Tier 2".

(b) A fireman who has withdrawn from service, has attained age 50 55 or more, and who has 10 or more years of service in that capacity shall be entitled, upon proper application being received by the Fund, at his option to receive a Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity for his service as a fireman. The Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity shall be computed by multiplying 2.5% for each year of such service by his or her final average

~~salary, subject to an annuity reduction factor of. The retirement annuity of a fireman who is retiring after attaining age 50 with 10 or more years of creditable service shall be reduced by one-half of 1% for each month that the fireman's age at retirement is under age 55. The Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity is in lieu of any age and service annuity or other form of retirement annuity under this Article.~~

The maximum retirement annuity under this subsection (b) shall be 75% of final average salary.

For the purposes of this subsection (b), "final average salary" means the average monthly salary obtained by dividing the total salary of the fireman during the 96 consecutive months of service within the last 120 months of service in which the total salary was the highest by the number of months of service in that period.

Beginning on January 1, 2011, for all purposes under this Code (including without limitation the calculation of benefits and employee contributions), the annual salary based on the plan year of a member or participant to whom this Section applies shall not exceed \$106,800; however, that amount shall annually thereafter be increased by the lesser of (i) 3% of that amount, including all previous adjustments, or (ii) one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase (but not less than zero) in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1, including all previous adjustments.

(b-5) For the purposes of this Section, "consumer price index-u" means the index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor that measures the average change in prices of goods and services purchased by all urban consumers, United States city average, all items, 1982-84 = 100. The new amount resulting from each annual adjustment shall be determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance and made available to the boards of the retirement systems and pension funds by November 1 of each year.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, for a person who first becomes a fireman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011, eligibility for and the amount of the annuity to which the qualified surviving spouse, children, and ~~or~~ parents of the fireman are entitled under this subsection (c) shall be determined as follows:

(1) The surviving spouse of a deceased fireman to whom this Section applies shall be deemed qualified to receive a Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under this paragraph (1) if: (i) the deceased fireman meets the requirements specified under subdivision (A), (B), (C), or (D) of this paragraph (1); and (ii) the surviving spouse would not otherwise be excluded from receiving a widow's annuity under the eligibility requirements for a widow's annuity set forth in Section 6-142. The Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity is in lieu of the widow's annuity determined under

any other Section of this Article and is subject to the requirements of Section 6-143.2.

As used in this subsection (c), "earned pension" means a Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity determined under subsection (b) of this Section, including any increases the fireman had received pursuant to Section 6-164.

(A) If the deceased fireman was receiving an earned pension at the date of his or her death, the Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under this paragraph (1) shall be in the amount of 66 2/3% of the fireman's earned pension at the date of death.

(B) If the deceased fireman was not receiving an earned pension but had at least 10 years of service at the time of death, the Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under this paragraph (1) shall be the greater of: (i) 30% of the salary attached to the rank of first class firefighter in the classified career service at the time of the fireman's death; or (ii) 66 2/3% of the Tier 2 monthly retirement annuity that the deceased fireman would have been eligible to receive under subsection (b) of this Section, based upon the actual service accrued through the day before the fireman's death, but determined as though the fireman was at least age 55 on the day before his or her death and retired on that day.

(C) If the deceased fireman was an active fireman

with at least 1 1/2 but less than 10 years of service at the time of death, the Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under this paragraph (1) shall be in the amount of 30% of the salary attached to the rank of first class firefighter in the classified career service at the time of the fireman's death.

(D) Notwithstanding subdivisions (A), (B), and (C) of this paragraph (1), if the performance of an act or acts of duty results directly in the death of a fireman subject to this Section, or prevents him from subsequently resuming active service in the fire department, then a surviving spouse who would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements for a death in the line of duty widow's annuity granted under Section 6-140 shall be deemed to be qualified for a Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under this subdivision (D); except that no such annuity shall be paid to the surviving spouse of a fireman who dies while in receipt of disability benefits when the fireman's death was caused by an intervening illness or injury unrelated to the illness or injury that had prevented him from subsequently resuming active service in the fire department. The Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity calculated under this subdivision (D) shall be in lieu of, but in the same amount and paid in the same manner as, the widow's annuity provided under

Section 6-140; except that the salary used for computing a Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under this subdivision (D) shall be subject to the Tier 2 salary cap provided under subsection (b) of this Section.

(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the monthly Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under subdivision (A) or (B) of this paragraph (1) of a survivor of a person who first becomes a fireman under this Article on or after January 1, 2011 shall be increased on the January 1 next occurring after (i) attainment of age 60 by the recipient of the Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity or (ii) the first anniversary of the Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity start date, whichever is later, survivor's pension and on each January 1 thereafter, by 3% or one-half the annual unadjusted percentage increase in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with September preceding each November 1, whichever is less, of the originally granted Tier 2 surviving spouse's survivor's annuity. If the annual unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for a 12-month period ending in September is zero or, when compared with the preceding period, decreases, then the annuity shall not be increased.

(F) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this

paragraph (1), for a qualified surviving spouse who is entitled to a Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity under subdivision (A), (B), (C), or (D) of this paragraph (1), that Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity shall not be less than the amount of the minimum widow's annuity established from time to time under Section 6-128.4.

(2) Surviving children of a deceased fireman subject to this Section who would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements for a child's annuity set forth in Sections 6-147 and 6-148 shall be deemed qualified to receive a Tier 2 child's annuity under this subsection (c), which shall be in lieu of, but in the same amount and paid in the same manner as, the child's annuity provided under those Sections; except that any salary used for computing a Tier 2 child's annuity shall be subject to the Tier 2 salary cap provided under subsection (b) of this Section. For purposes of determining any pro rata reduction in child's annuities under this subsection (c), references in Section 6-148 to the combined annuities of the family shall be deemed to refer to the combined Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity, if any, and the Tier 2 child's annuities payable under this subsection (c).

(3) Surviving parents of a deceased fireman subject to this Section who would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements for a parent's annuity set forth in Section 6-149 shall be deemed qualified to receive a Tier 2

parent's annuity under this subsection (c), which shall be in lieu of, but in the same amount and paid in the same manner as, the parent's annuity provided under Section 6-149; except that any salary used for computing a Tier 2 parent's annuity shall be subject to the Tier 2 salary cap provided under subsection (b) of this Section. For the purposes of this Section, a reference to "annuity" in Section 6-149 includes: (i) in the context of a widow, a Tier 2 surviving spouse's annuity and (ii) in the context of a child, a Tier 2 child's annuity.

(d) The General Assembly finds and declares that the provisions of this Section, as enacted by Public Act 96-1495, require clarification relating to necessary eligibility standards and the manner of determining and paying the intended Tier 2 benefits and contributions in order to enable the Fund to unambiguously implement and administer benefits for Tier 2 members. The changes to this Section and the conforming changes to Sections 6-150, 6-158, 6-164 (except for the changes to subsection (a) of that Section), 6-166, and 6-167 made by this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly are enacted to clarify the provisions of this Section as enacted by Public Act 96-1495, and are hereby declared to represent and be consistent with the original and continuing intent of this Section and Public Act 96-1495.

(e) The changes to Sections 6-150, 6-158, 6-164 (except for the changes to subsection (a) of that Section), 6-166, and

6-167 made by this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly are intended to be retroactive to January 1, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1495) and, for the purposes of Section 1-103.1 of this Code, they apply without regard to whether the relevant fireman was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly.

(Source: P.A. 96-1495, eff. 1-1-11.)

Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding Section 8.40 as follows:

(30 ILCS 805/8.40 new)

Sec. 8.40. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly.

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