

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 HB4060

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Amends the Illinois Pension Code. With respect to the 5 State-funded Retirement Systems: requires each System to implement a Tier 3 plan by July 1, 2018 that aggregates State and employee contributions in individual participant accounts which are used for payouts after retirement. Provides that a person who becomes a participant of a System on or after July 1, 2018 shall participate in the Tier 3 plan instead of the defined benefit plan. Authorizes a Tier 1 or Tier 2 participant to elect to participate in the Tier 3 plan instead of the defined benefit plan and to also elect to terminate all participation in the defined benefit plan and to have a specified amount credited to his or her account. In Articles 14, 15, and 16, requires those Systems to offer an optional accelerated benefit payment to certain members in lieu of receiving a pension; authorizes bonds to be issued for those payments. Repeals provisions relating to the defined contribution plan established under Public Act 98-599, which has been held unconstitutional. Makes related changes in the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
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PENSION IMPACT NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

STATE DEBT
IMPACT NOTE ACT
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STATE MANDATES ACT MAY REQUIRE REIMBURSEMENT 1 AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

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

- 4 Section 5. The State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971
- is amended by changing Sections 3 and 10 as follows:
- 6 (5 ILCS 375/3) (from Ch. 127, par. 523)
- 7 Sec. 3. Definitions. Unless the context otherwise
- 8 requires, the following words and phrases as used in this Act
- 9 shall have the following meanings. The Department may define
- 10 these and other words and phrases separately for the purpose of
- implementing specific programs providing benefits under this
- 12 Act.
- 13 (a) "Administrative service organization" means any
- 14 person, firm or corporation experienced in the handling of
- 15 claims which is fully qualified, financially sound and capable
- 16 of meeting the service requirements of a contract of
- 17 administration executed with the Department.
- 18 (b) "Annuitant" means (1) an employee who retires, or has
- retired, on or after January 1, 1966 on an immediate annuity
- 20 under the provisions of Article Articles 2 (including an
- 21 employee who, in lieu of receiving an annuity under that
- 22 Article, has retired under the Tier 3 plan established under
- 23 Section 2-165.5 of that Article), 14 (including an employee who

1 has elected to receive an alternative retirement cancellation 2 payment under Section 14-108.5 of the Illinois Pension Code in 3 lieu of an annuity, an employee who, in lieu of receiving an annuity under that Article, has retired under the Tier 3 plan 4 5 established under Section 14-155.5 of that Article, or an employee who meets the criteria for retirement, but in lieu of 6 7 receiving an annuity under that Article has elected to receive 8 an accelerated pension benefit payment under Section 14-147.5 9 of that Article), or 15 (including an employee who has retired under the optional retirement program established under 10 11 Section 15-158.2 or the Tier 3 plan established under Section 12 15-155.5 of the Illinois Pension Code or an employee who meets the criteria for retirement but in lieu of receiving an annuity 13 14 under that Article has elected to receive an accelerated 15 pension benefit payment under Section 15-185.5 of the Article), 16 paragraphs (2), (3), or (5) of Section 16-106 (including an 17 employee who, in lieu of receiving an annuity under that Article, has retired under the Tier 3 plan established under 18 19 Section 16-205.5 of the Illinois Pension Code or an employee 20 who meets the criteria for retirement, but in lieu of receiving an annuity under that Article has elected to receive an 21 22 accelerated pension benefit payment under Section 16-190.5 of the Illinois Pension Code), or Article 18 (including an 23 24 employee who, in lieu of receiving an annuity under that 25 Article, has retired under the Tier 3 plan established under 26 Section 18-121.5 of that Article) of the Illinois Pension Code;

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(2) any person who was receiving group insurance coverage under this Act as of March 31, 1978 by reason of his status as an annuitant, even though the annuity in relation to which such coverage was provided is a proportional annuity based on less than the minimum period of service required for a retirement annuity in the system involved; (3) any person not otherwise covered by this Act who has retired as a participating member under Article 2 of the Illinois Pension Code but is ineligible for the retirement annuity under Section 2-119 of the Illinois Pension Code; (4) the spouse of any person who is receiving a retirement annuity under Article 18 of the Illinois Pension Code and who is covered under a group health insurance program sponsored by a governmental employer other than the State of Illinois and who has irrevocably elected to waive his or her coverage under this Act and to have his or her spouse considered as the "annuitant" under this Act and not as a "dependent"; or (5) an employee who retires, or has retired, from a qualified position, as determined according to rules promulgated by the Director, under a qualified government, a qualified rehabilitation facility, a qualified domestic violence shelter or service, or a qualified child advocacy center. (For definition of "retired employee", see (p) post).

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- (c) "Carrier" means (1) an insurance company, a corporation organized under the Limited Health Service Organization Act or the Voluntary Health Services Plan Act, a partnership, or other nongovernmental organization, which is authorized to do group life or group health insurance business in Illinois, or (2) the State of Illinois as a self-insurer.
- (d) "Compensation" means salary or wages payable on a regular payroll by the State Treasurer on a warrant of the State Comptroller out of any State, trust or federal fund, or by the Governor of the State through a disbursing officer of the State out of a trust or out of federal funds, or by any Department out of State, trust, federal or other funds held by the State Treasurer or the Department, to any person for personal services currently performed, and ordinary accidental disability benefits under Articles 2, 14, (including ordinary or accidental disability benefits under the optional retirement program established under Section 15-158.2), paragraphs (2), (3), or (5) of Section 16-106, or Article 18 of the Illinois Pension Code, for disability incurred after January 1, 1966, or benefits payable under the Workers' Compensation or Occupational Diseases Act or benefits payable under a sick pay plan established in accordance with Section 36 of the State Finance Act. "Compensation" also means salary or wages paid to an employee of any qualified local government, qualified rehabilitation facility, qualified domestic violence shelter or service, or qualified child

- 1 advocacy center.
 - (e) "Commission" means the State Employees Group Insurance Advisory Commission authorized by this Act. Commencing July 1, 1984, "Commission" as used in this Act means the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability as established by the Legislative Commission Reorganization Act of 1984.
 - (f) "Contributory", when referred to as contributory coverage, shall mean optional coverages or benefits elected by the member toward the cost of which such member makes contribution, or which are funded in whole or in part through the acceptance of a reduction in earnings or the foregoing of an increase in earnings by an employee, as distinguished from noncontributory coverage or benefits which are paid entirely by the State of Illinois without reduction of the member's salary.
 - (g) "Department" means any department, institution, board, commission, officer, court or any agency of the State government receiving appropriations and having power to certify payrolls to the Comptroller authorizing payments of salary and wages against such appropriations as are made by the General Assembly from any State fund, or against trust funds held by the State Treasurer and includes boards of trustees of the retirement systems created by Articles 2, 14, 15, 16 and 18 of the Illinois Pension Code. "Department" also includes the Illinois Comprehensive Health Insurance Board, the Board of Examiners established under the Illinois Public Accounting Act, and the Illinois Finance Authority.

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- (h) "Dependent", when the term is used in the context of the health and life plan, means a member's spouse and any child (1) from birth to age 26 including an adopted child, a child who lives with the member from the time of the filing of a petition for adoption until entry of an order of adoption, a stepchild or adjudicated child, or a child who lives with the member if such member is a court appointed guardian of the child or (2) age 19 or over who has a mental or physical disability from a cause originating prior to the age of 19 (age 26 if enrolled as an adult child dependent). For the health plan only, the term "dependent" also includes (1) any person enrolled prior to the effective date of this Section who is dependent upon the member to the extent that the member may claim such person as a dependent for income tax deduction purposes and (2) any person who has received after June 30, 2000 an organ transplant and who is financially dependent upon the member and eliqible to be claimed as a dependent for income tax purposes. A member requesting to cover any dependent must provide documentation as requested by the Department of Central Management Services and file with the Department any and all forms required by the Department.
- (i) "Director" means the Director of the Illinois
 Department of Central Management Services.
- (j) "Eligibility period" means the period of time a member has to elect enrollment in programs or to select benefits without regard to age, sex or health.

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(k) "Employee" means and includes each officer or employee a department who (1) receives his in the service of compensation for service rendered to the department on a warrant issued pursuant to a payroll certified by a department or on a warrant or check issued and drawn by a department upon a trust, federal or other fund or on a warrant issued pursuant to a payroll certified by an elected or duly appointed officer of the State or who receives payment of the performance of personal services on a warrant issued pursuant to a payroll certified by a Department and drawn by the Comptroller upon the State Treasurer against appropriations made by the General Assembly from any fund or against trust funds held by the State Treasurer, and (2) is employed full-time or part-time in a position normally requiring actual performance of duty during not less than 1/2 of a normal work period, as established by the Director in cooperation with each department, except that persons elected by popular vote will be considered employees during the entire term for which they are elected regardless of hours devoted to the service of the State, and (3) except that "employee" does not include any person who is not eligible by reason of such person's employment to participate in one of the State retirement systems under Articles 2, 14, 15 (either the regular Article 15 system or the optional retirement program established under Section 15-158.2) or 18, or under paragraph (2), (3), or (5) of Section 16-106, of the Illinois Pension Code, but such term does include persons who are employed

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during the 6 month qualifying period under Article 14 of the Illinois Pension Code. Such term also includes any person who (1) after January 1, 1966, is receiving ordinary or accidental disability benefits under Articles 2, 14, 15 (including ordinary or accidental disability benefits under the optional retirement program established under Section 15-158.2), paragraphs (2), (3), or (5) of Section 16-106, or Article 18 of the Illinois Pension Code, for disability incurred after January 1, 1966, (2) receives total permanent or total temporary disability under the Workers' Compensation Act or Occupational Disease Act as a result of injuries sustained or illness contracted in the course of employment with the State of Illinois, or (3) is not otherwise covered under this Act and has retired as a participating member under Article 2 of the Illinois Pension Code but is ineligible for the retirement annuity under Section 2-119 of the Illinois Pension Code. However, a person who satisfies the criteria of the foregoing definition of "employee" except that such person is made ineligible to participate in the State Universities Retirement System by clause (4) of subsection (a) of Section 15-107 of the Illinois Pension Code is also an "employee" for the purposes of this Act. "Employee" also includes any person receiving or eligible for benefits under a sick pay plan established in accordance with Section 36 of the State Finance Act. "Employee" also includes (i) each officer or employee in the service of a qualified local government, including persons appointed as

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- trustees of sanitary districts regardless of hours devoted to the service of the sanitary district, (ii) each employee in the service of a qualified rehabilitation facility, (iii) each full-time employee in the service of a qualified domestic violence shelter or service, and (iv) each full-time employee in the service of a qualified child advocacy center, as 7 determined according to rules promulgated by the Director.
 - "Member" means an employee, annuitant, retired (1)employee or survivor. In the case of an annuitant or retired employee who first becomes an annuitant or retired employee on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, the individual must meet the minimum vesting requirements of the applicable retirement system in order to be eligible for group insurance benefits under that system. In the case of a survivor who first becomes a survivor on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, the deceased employee, annuitant, or retired employee upon whom the annuity is based must have been eligible to participate in the group insurance system under the applicable retirement system in order for the survivor to be eligible for group insurance benefits under that system.
 - (m) "Optional coverages or benefits" means those coverages or benefits available to the member on his or her voluntary election, and at his or her own expense.
 - "Program" means the group life insurance, health benefits and other employee benefits designed and contracted

- for by the Director under this Act.
 - (o) "Health plan" means a health benefits program offered by the State of Illinois for persons eligible for the plan.
 - (p) "Retired employee" means any person who would be an annuitant as that term is defined herein but for the fact that such person retired prior to January 1, 1966. Such term also includes any person formerly employed by the University of Illinois in the Cooperative Extension Service who would be an annuitant but for the fact that such person was made ineligible to participate in the State Universities Retirement System by clause (4) of subsection (a) of Section 15-107 of the Illinois Pension Code.
 - (q) "Survivor" means a person receiving an annuity as a survivor of an employee or of an annuitant. "Survivor" also includes: (1) the surviving dependent of a person who satisfies the definition of "employee" except that such person is made ineligible to participate in the State Universities Retirement System by clause (4) of subsection (a) of Section 15-107 of the Illinois Pension Code; (2) the surviving dependent of any person formerly employed by the University of Illinois in the Cooperative Extension Service who would be an annuitant except for the fact that such person was made ineligible to participate in the State Universities Retirement System by clause (4) of subsection (a) of Section 15-107 of the Illinois Pension Code; and (3) the surviving dependent of a person who was an annuitant under this Act by virtue of receiving an

- 1 alternative retirement cancellation payment under Section
- 2 14-108.5 of the Illinois Pension Code.
- 3 (q-2) "SERS" means the State Employees' Retirement System
- 4 of Illinois, created under Article 14 of the Illinois Pension
- 5 Code.
- 6 (q-3) "SURS" means the State Universities Retirement
- 7 System, created under Article 15 of the Illinois Pension Code.
- 8 (q-4) "TRS" means the Teachers' Retirement System of the
- 9 State of Illinois, created under Article 16 of the Illinois
- 10 Pension Code.
- 11 (q-5) (Blank).
- 12 (q-6) (Blank).
- 13 (q-7) (Blank).
- 14 (r) "Medical services" means the services provided within
- 15 the scope of their licenses by practitioners in all categories
- licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987.
- 17 (s) "Unit of local government" means any county,
- 18 municipality, township, school district (including a
- 19 combination of school districts under the Intergovernmental
- 20 Cooperation Act), special district or other unit, designated as
- 21 a unit of local government by law, which exercises limited
- 22 governmental powers or powers in respect to limited
- governmental subjects, any not-for-profit association with a
- 24 membership that primarily includes townships and township
- officials, that has duties that include provision of research
- 26 service, dissemination of information, and other acts for the

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purpose of improving township government, and that is funded wholly or partly in accordance with Section 85-15 of the Township Code; any not-for-profit corporation or association, with a membership consisting primarily of municipalities, that operates its own utility system, and provides research, training, dissemination of information, or other acts to promote cooperation between and among municipalities that provide utility services and for the advancement of the goals and purposes of its membership; the Southern Illinois Collegiate Common Market, which is a consortium of higher education institutions in Southern Illinois; the Illinois Association of Park Districts; and any hospital provider that is owned by a county that has 100 or fewer hospital beds and not already joined the program. "Qualified local government" means a unit of local government approved by the Director and participating in a program created under subsection (i) of Section 10 of this Act.

"Qualified rehabilitation facility" means (t) any not-for-profit organization that is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities or certified by the Department of Human Services (as successor to Department of Mental Health and Developmental the Disabilities) to provide services to persons with disabilities and which receives funds from the State of Illinois for providing those services, approved by the Director participating in a program created under subsection (j) of

- 1 Section 10 of this Act.
 - (u) "Qualified domestic violence shelter or service" means any Illinois domestic violence shelter or service and its administrative offices funded by the Department of Human Services (as successor to the Illinois Department of Public Aid), approved by the Director and participating in a program created under subsection (k) of Section 10.
 - (v) "TRS benefit recipient" means a person who:
 - (1) is not a "member" as defined in this Section; and
 - (2) is receiving a monthly benefit or retirement annuity under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code; and
 - (3) either (i) has at least 8 years of creditable service under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code, or (ii) was enrolled in the health insurance program offered under that Article on January 1, 1996, or (iii) is the survivor of a benefit recipient who had at least 8 years of creditable service under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code or was enrolled in the health insurance program offered under that Article on the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1995, or (iv) is a recipient or survivor of a recipient of a disability benefit under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code.
 - (w) "TRS dependent beneficiary" means a person who:
 - (1) is not a "member" or "dependent" as defined in this Section; and
- 26 (2) is a TRS benefit recipient's: (A) spouse, (B)

dependent parent who is receiving at least half of his or her support from the TRS benefit recipient, or (C) natural, step, adjudicated, or adopted child who is (i) under age 26, (ii) was, on January 1, 1996, participating as a dependent beneficiary in the health insurance program offered under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code, or (iii) age 19 or over who has a mental or physical disability from a cause originating prior to the age of 19 (age 26 if enrolled as an adult child).

"TRS dependent beneficiary" does not include, as indicated under paragraph (2) of this subsection (w), a dependent of the survivor of a TRS benefit recipient who first becomes a dependent of a survivor of a TRS benefit recipient on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly unless that dependent would have been eligible for coverage as a dependent of the deceased TRS benefit recipient upon whom the survivor benefit is based.

- (x) "Military leave" refers to individuals in basic training for reserves, special/advanced training, annual training, emergency call up, activation by the President of the United States, or any other training or duty in service to the United States Armed Forces.
 - (y) (Blank).
- 24 (z) "Community college benefit recipient" means a person who:
- 26 (1) is not a "member" as defined in this Section; and

- (2) is receiving a monthly survivor's annuity or retirement annuity under Article 15 of the Illinois Pension Code; and
 - (3) either (i) was a full-time employee of a community college district or an association of community college boards created under the Public Community College Act (other than an employee whose last employer under Article 15 of the Illinois Pension Code was a community college district subject to Article VII of the Public Community College Act) and was eligible to participate in a group health benefit plan as an employee during the time of employment with a community college district (other than a community college district subject to Article VII of the Public Community College Act) or an association of community college boards, or (ii) is the survivor of a person described in item (i).
- (aa) "Community college dependent beneficiary" means a person who:
 - (1) is not a "member" or "dependent" as defined in this Section; and
 - (2) is a community college benefit recipient's: (A) spouse, (B) dependent parent who is receiving at least half of his or her support from the community college benefit recipient, or (C) natural, step, adjudicated, or adopted child who is (i) under age 26, or (ii) age 19 or over and has a mental or physical disability from a cause

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originating prior to the age of 19 (age 26 if enrolled as an adult child).

"Community college dependent beneficiary" does not include, as indicated under paragraph (2) of this subsection (aa), a dependent of the survivor of a community college benefit recipient who first becomes a dependent of a survivor of a community college benefit recipient on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly unless that dependent would have been eligible for coverage as a dependent of the deceased community college benefit recipient upon whom the survivor annuity is based.

- (bb) "Qualified child advocacy center" means any Illinois child advocacy center and its administrative offices funded by the Department of Children and Family Services, as defined by the Children's Advocacy Center Act (55 ILCS 80/), approved by the Director and participating in a program created under subsection (n) of Section 10.
- 18 (Source: P.A. 98-488, eff. 8-16-13; 99-143, eff. 7-27-15.)
- 19 (5 ILCS 375/10) (from Ch. 127, par. 530)
- Sec. 10. Contributions by the State and members.
- 21 (a) The State shall pay the cost of basic non-contributory 22 group life insurance and, subject to member paid contributions 23 set by the Department or required by this Section and except as 24 provided in this Section, the basic program of group health 25 benefits on each eligible member, except a member, not

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otherwise covered by this Act, who retired has participating member under Article 2 of the Illinois Pension Code but is ineligible for the retirement annuity under Section 2-119 of the Illinois Pension Code, and part of each eligible member's and retired member's premiums for health insurance coverage for enrolled dependents as provided by Section 9. The State shall pay the cost of the basic program of group health benefits only after benefits are reduced by the amount of benefits covered by Medicare for all members and dependents who are eligible for benefits under Social Security or the Railroad Retirement system or who had sufficient Medicare-covered government employment, except that such reduction in benefits shall apply only to those members and dependents who (1) first become eligible for such Medicare coverage on or after July 1, 1992; or (2) are Medicare-eligible members or dependents of a local government unit which began participation in the program on or after July 1, 1992; or (3) remain eligible for, but no longer receive Medicare coverage which they had been receiving on or after July 1, 1992. The Department may determine the aggregate level of the State's contribution on the basis of actual cost of medical services adjusted for age, sex or geographic or other demographic characteristics which affect the costs of such programs.

The cost of participation in the basic program of group health benefits for the dependent or survivor of a living or deceased retired employee who was formerly employed by the

University of Illinois in the Cooperative Extension Service and would be an annuitant but for the fact that he or she was made ineligible to participate in the State Universities Retirement System by clause (4) of subsection (a) of Section 15-107 of the Illinois Pension Code shall not be greater than the cost of participation that would otherwise apply to that dependent or survivor if he or she were the dependent or survivor of an annuitant under the State Universities Retirement System.

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- (a-2) (Blank).
- (a-3) (Blank).
- (a-4) (Blank).
- (a-5) (Blank).
- (a-6) (Blank).
- (a-7) (Blank).
- (a-8) Any annuitant, survivor, or retired employee may waive or terminate coverage in the program of group health benefits. Any such annuitant, survivor, or retired employee who has waived or terminated coverage may enroll or re-enroll in the program of group health benefits only during the annual benefit choice period, as determined by the Director; except that in the event of termination of coverage due to nonpayment of premiums, the annuitant, survivor, or retired employee may not re-enroll in the program.
- 25 (a-8.5) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory 26 Act of the 97th General Assembly, the Director of Central

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Management Services shall, on an annual basis, determine the amount that the State shall contribute toward the basic program of group health benefits on behalf of annuitants (including individuals who (i) participated in the General Assembly Retirement System, the State Employees' Retirement System of Illinois, the State Universities Retirement System, Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois, or the Judges Retirement System of Illinois and (ii) qualify as annuitants under subsection (b) of Section 3 of this Act), survivors (including individuals who (i) receive an annuity as a survivor of an individual who participated in the General Assembly Retirement System, the State Employees' Retirement System of Illinois, the State Universities Retirement System, the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois, or the Judges Retirement System of Illinois and (ii) qualify as survivors under subsection (q) of Section 3 of this Act), and retired employees (as defined in subsection (p) of Section 3 of this Act). The remainder of the cost of coverage for each annuitant, survivor, or retired employee, as determined by the Director of Central Management Services, shall be the responsibility of that annuitant, survivor, or retired employee.

Contributions required of annuitants, survivors, and retired employees shall be the same for all retirement systems and shall also be based on whether an individual has made an election under Section 15-135.1 of the Illinois Pension Code.

- 1 Contributions may be based on annuitants', survivors', or 2 retired employees' Medicare eligibility, but may not be based
- 3 on Social Security eligibility.
 - (a-9) No later than May 1 of each calendar year, the Director of Central Management Services shall certify in writing to the Executive Secretary of the State Employees' Retirement System of Illinois the amounts of the Medicare supplement health care premiums and the amounts of the health care premiums for all other retirees who are not Medicare eligible.
 - A separate calculation of the premiums based upon the actual cost of each health care plan shall be so certified.
 - The Director of Central Management Services shall provide to the Executive Secretary of the State Employees' Retirement System of Illinois such information, statistics, and other data as he or she may require to review the premium amounts certified by the Director of Central Management Services.

The Department of Central Management Services, or any successor agency designated to procure healthcare contracts pursuant to this Act, is authorized to establish funds, separate accounts provided by any bank or banks as defined by the Illinois Banking Act, or separate accounts provided by any savings and loan association or associations as defined by the Illinois Savings and Loan Act of 1985 to be held by the Director, outside the State treasury, for the purpose of receiving the transfer of moneys from the Local Government

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Health Insurance Reserve Fund. The Department may promulgate rules further defining the methodology for the transfers. Any interest earned by moneys in the funds or accounts shall inure to the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund. The transferred moneys, and interest accrued thereon, shall be used exclusively for transfers to administrative organizations or their financial institutions for payments of claims to claimants and providers under the self-insurance health plan. The transferred moneys, and interest accrued thereon, shall not be used for any other purpose including, but not limited to, reimbursement of administration fees due the administrative service organization pursuant to its contract or contracts with the Department.

(a-10) To the extent that participation, benefits, or premiums under this Act are based on a person's service credit under an Article of the Illinois Pension Code, service credit terminated in exchange for an accelerated pension benefit payment under Section 14-147.5, 15-185.5, or 16-190.5 of that Code shall be included in determining a person's service credit for the purposes of this Act.

(a-15) For purposes of determining State contributions under this Section, service established under a Tier 3 plan under Article 2, 14, 15, 16, or 18 of the Illinois Pension Code shall be included in determining an employee's creditable service. Any credit terminated as part of a transfer of contributions to a Tier 3 plan under Article 2, 14, 15, 16, or

1 <u>18 of the Illinois Pension Code shall also be included in</u> 2 determining an employee's creditable service.

- (b) State employees who become eligible for this program on or after January 1, 1980 in positions normally requiring actual performance of duty not less than 1/2 of a normal work period but not equal to that of a normal work period, shall be given the option of participating in the available program. If the employee elects coverage, the State shall contribute on behalf of such employee to the cost of the employee's benefit and any applicable dependent supplement, that sum which bears the same percentage as that percentage of time the employee regularly works when compared to normal work period.
- (c) The basic non-contributory coverage from the basic program of group health benefits shall be continued for each employee not in pay status or on active service by reason of (1) leave of absence due to illness or injury, (2) authorized educational leave of absence or sabbatical leave, or (3) military leave. This coverage shall continue until expiration of authorized leave and return to active service, but not to exceed 24 months for leaves under item (1) or (2). This 24-month limitation and the requirement of returning to active service shall not apply to persons receiving ordinary or accidental disability benefits or retirement benefits through the appropriate State retirement system or benefits under the Workers' Compensation or Occupational Disease Act.
 - (d) The basic group life insurance coverage shall continue,

- with full State contribution, where such person is (1) absent from active service by reason of disability arising from any cause other than self-inflicted, (2) on authorized educational leave of absence or sabbatical leave, or (3) on military leave.
 - (e) Where the person is in non-pay status for a period in excess of 30 days or on leave of absence, other than by reason of disability, educational or sabbatical leave, or military leave, such person may continue coverage only by making personal payment equal to the amount normally contributed by the State on such person's behalf. Such payments and coverage may be continued: (1) until such time as the person returns to a status eligible for coverage at State expense, but not to exceed 24 months or (2) until such person's employment or annuitant status with the State is terminated (exclusive of any additional service imposed pursuant to law).
 - (f) The Department shall establish by rule the extent to which other employee benefits will continue for persons in non-pay status or who are not in active service.
 - (g) The State shall not pay the cost of the basic non-contributory group life insurance, program of health benefits and other employee benefits for members who are survivors as defined by paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (q) of Section 3 of this Act. The costs of benefits for these survivors shall be paid by the survivors or by the University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service, or any combination thereof. However, the State shall pay the amount of the

- reduction in the cost of participation, if any, resulting from the amendment to subsection (a) made by this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly.
 - (h) Those persons occupying positions with any department as a result of emergency appointments pursuant to Section 8b.8 of the Personnel Code who are not considered employees under this Act shall be given the option of participating in the programs of group life insurance, health benefits and other employee benefits. Such persons electing coverage may participate only by making payment equal to the amount normally contributed by the State for similarly situated employees. Such amounts shall be determined by the Director. Such payments and coverage may be continued until such time as the person becomes an employee pursuant to this Act or such person's appointment is terminated.
 - (i) Any unit of local government within the State of Illinois may apply to the Director to have its employees, annuitants, and their dependents provided group health coverage under this Act on a non-insured basis. To participate, a unit of local government must agree to enroll all of its employees, who may select coverage under either the State group health benefits plan or a health maintenance organization that has contracted with the State to be available as a health care provider for employees as defined in this Act. A unit of local government must remit the entire cost of providing coverage under the State group health benefits plan or, for coverage

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under a health maintenance organization, an amount determined by the Director based on an analysis of the sex, age, geographic location, or other relevant demographic variables for its employees, except that the unit of local government shall not be required to enroll those of its employees who are covered spouses or dependents under this plan or another group policy or plan providing health benefits as long as (1) an appropriate official from the unit of local government attests that each employee not enrolled is a covered spouse or dependent under this plan or another group policy or plan, and (2) at least 50% of the employees are enrolled and the unit of local government remits the entire cost of providing coverage to those employees, except that a participating school district must have enrolled at least 50% of its full-time employees who have not waived coverage under the district's group health plan by participating in a component of the district's cafeteria plan. A participating school district is not required to enroll a full-time employee who has waived coverage under the district's health plan, provided that an appropriate official from the participating school district attests that the full-time employee has waived coverage by participating in a component of the district's cafeteria plan. For the purposes of this subsection, "participating school district" includes a unit of local government whose primary purpose is education as defined by the Department's rules.

Employees of a participating unit of local government who

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are not enrolled due to coverage under another group health policy or plan may enroll in the event of a qualifying change in status, special enrollment, special circumstance as defined by the Director, or during the annual Benefit Choice Period. A participating unit of local government may also elect to cover its annuitants. Dependent coverage shall be offered on an optional basis, with the costs paid by the unit of local government, its employees, or some combination of the two as determined by the unit of local government. The unit of local government shall be responsible for timely collection and transmission of dependent premiums.

The Director shall annually determine monthly rates of payment, subject to the following constraints:

- (1) In the first year of coverage, the rates shall be equal to the amount normally charged to State employees for elected optional coverages or for enrolled dependents coverages or other contributory coverages, or contributed by the State for basic insurance coverages on behalf of its employees, adjusted for differences between employees and employees of the local government in age, sex, geographic location or other relevant demographic variables, plus an amount sufficient to pay for the additional administrative costs of providing coverage to employees of the unit of local government and their dependents.
 - (2) In subsequent years, a further adjustment shall be

1 made to reflect the actual prior years' claims experience 2 of the employees of the unit of local government.

In the case of coverage of local government employees under a health maintenance organization, the Director shall annually determine for each participating unit of local government the maximum monthly amount the unit may contribute toward that coverage, based on an analysis of (i) the age, sex, geographic location, and other relevant demographic variables of the unit's employees and (ii) the cost to cover those employees under the State group health benefits plan. The Director may similarly determine the maximum monthly amount each unit of local government may contribute toward coverage of its employees' dependents under a health maintenance organization.

Monthly payments by the unit of local government or its employees for group health benefits plan or health maintenance organization coverage shall be deposited in the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund.

The Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund is hereby created as a nonappropriated trust fund to be held outside the State Treasury, with the State Treasurer as custodian. The Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund shall be a continuing fund not subject to fiscal year limitations. The Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund is not subject to administrative charges or charge-backs, including but not limited to those authorized under Section 8h of the State Finance Act. All revenues arising from the

administration of the health benefits program established under this Section shall be deposited into the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund. Any interest earned on moneys in the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund shall be deposited into the Fund. All expenditures from this Fund shall be used for payments for health care benefits for local government and rehabilitation facility employees, annuitants, and dependents, and to reimburse the Department or its administrative service organization for all expenses incurred in the administration of benefits. No other State funds may be used for these purposes.

A local government employer's participation or desire to participate in a program created under this subsection shall not limit that employer's duty to bargain with the representative of any collective bargaining unit of its employees.

(j) Any rehabilitation facility within the State of Illinois may apply to the Director to have its employees, annuitants, and their eligible dependents provided group health coverage under this Act on a non-insured basis. To participate, a rehabilitation facility must agree to enroll all of its employees and remit the entire cost of providing such coverage for its employees, except that the rehabilitation facility shall not be required to enroll those of its employees who are covered spouses or dependents under this plan or another group policy or plan providing health benefits as long

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as (1) an appropriate official from the rehabilitation facility attests that each employee not enrolled is a covered spouse or dependent under this plan or another group policy or plan, and (2) at least 50% of the employees are enrolled and the rehabilitation facility remits the entire cost of providing coverage to those employees. Employees of a participating rehabilitation facility who are not enrolled due to coverage under another group health policy or plan may enroll in the event of a qualifying change in status, special enrollment, special circumstance as defined by the Director, or during the annual Benefit Choice Period. A participating rehabilitation facility may also elect to cover its annuitants. Dependent coverage shall be offered on an optional basis, with the costs paid by the rehabilitation facility, its employees, or some combination of the 2 as determined by the rehabilitation facility. The rehabilitation facility shall be responsible for timely collection and transmission of dependent premiums.

The Director shall annually determine quarterly rates of payment, subject to the following constraints:

(1) In the first year of coverage, the rates shall be equal to the amount normally charged to State employees for elected optional coverages or for enrolled dependents coverages or other contributory coverages on behalf of its employees, adjusted for differences between State employees and employees of the rehabilitation facility in age, sex, geographic location or other relevant

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demographic variables, plus an amount sufficient to pay for the additional administrative costs of providing coverage to employees of the rehabilitation facility and their dependents.

(2) In subsequent years, a further adjustment shall be made to reflect the actual prior years' claims experience of the employees of the rehabilitation facility.

Monthly payments by the rehabilitation facility or its employees for group health benefits shall be deposited in the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund.

(k) Any domestic violence shelter or service within the State of Illinois may apply to the Director to have its employees, annuitants, and their dependents provided group health coverage under this Act on a non-insured basis. To participate, a domestic violence shelter or service must agree to enroll all of its employees and pay the entire cost of providing such coverage for its employees. The domestic violence shelter shall not be required to enroll those of its employees who are covered spouses or dependents under this plan or another group policy or plan providing health benefits as long as (1) an appropriate official from the domestic violence shelter attests that each employee not enrolled is a covered spouse or dependent under this plan or another group policy or plan and (2) at least 50% of the employees are enrolled and the domestic violence shelter remits the entire cost of providing coverage to those employees. Employees of a participating

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domestic violence shelter who are not enrolled due to coverage under another group health policy or plan may enroll in the event of a qualifying change in status, special enrollment, or special circumstance as defined by the Director or during the annual Benefit Choice Period. A participating domestic violence shelter may also elect to cover its annuitants. Dependent coverage shall be offered on an optional basis, with employees, or some combination of the 2 as determined by the domestic violence shelter or service. The domestic violence shelter or service shall be responsible for timely collection and transmission of dependent premiums.

The Director shall annually determine rates of payment, subject to the following constraints:

- (1) In the first year of coverage, the rates shall be equal to the amount normally charged to State employees for elected optional coverages or for enrolled dependents coverages or other contributory coverages on behalf of its for differences employees, adjusted between State employees and employees of the domestic violence shelter or service in age, sex, geographic location or other relevant demographic variables, plus an amount sufficient to pay for the additional administrative costs of providing coverage to employees of the domestic violence shelter or service and their dependents.
- (2) In subsequent years, a further adjustment shall be made to reflect the actual prior years' claims experience

of the employees of the domestic violence shelter or service.

Monthly payments by the domestic violence shelter or service or its employees for group health insurance shall be deposited in the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund.

(1) A public community college or entity organized pursuant to the Public Community College Act may apply to the Director initially to have only annuitants not covered prior to July 1, 1992 by the district's health plan provided health coverage under this Act on a non-insured basis. The community college must execute a 2-year contract to participate in the Local Government Health Plan. Any annuitant may enroll in the event of a qualifying change in status, special enrollment, special circumstance as defined by the Director, or during the annual Benefit Choice Period.

The Director shall annually determine monthly rates of payment subject to the following constraints: for those community colleges with annuitants only enrolled, first year rates shall be equal to the average cost to cover claims for a State member adjusted for demographics, Medicare participation, and other factors; and in the second year, a further adjustment of rates shall be made to reflect the actual first year's claims experience of the covered annuitants.

25 (1-5) The provisions of subsection (1) become inoperative 26 on July 1, 1999.

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- (m) The Director shall adopt any rules deemed necessary for implementation of this amendatory Act of 1989 (Public Act 86-978).
- (n) Any child advocacy center within the State of Illinois may apply to the Director to have its employees, annuitants, and their dependents provided group health coverage under this Act on a non-insured basis. To participate, a child advocacy center must agree to enroll all of its employees and pay the entire cost of providing coverage for its employees. The child advocacy center shall not be required to enroll those of its employees who are covered spouses or dependents under this plan or another group policy or plan providing health benefits as long as (1) an appropriate official from the child advocacy center attests that each employee not enrolled is a covered spouse or dependent under this plan or another group policy or plan and (2) at least 50% of the employees are enrolled and the child advocacy center remits the entire cost of providing coverage to those employees. Employees of a participating child advocacy center who are not enrolled due to coverage under another group health policy or plan may enroll in the event of a qualifying change in status, special enrollment, or special circumstance as defined by the Director or during the annual Benefit Choice Period. A participating child advocacy center may also elect to cover its annuitants. Dependent coverage shall be offered on an optional basis, with the costs paid by the child advocacy center, its employees, or some combination

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- The Director shall annually determine rates of payment, subject to the following constraints:
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 - (2) In subsequent years, a further adjustment shall be made to reflect the actual prior years' claims experience of the employees of the child advocacy center.
 - Monthly payments by the child advocacy center or its employees for group health insurance shall be deposited into the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund.
- 23 (Source: P.A. 97-695, eff. 7-1-12; 98-488, eff. 8-16-13.)
- Section 10. The Illinois Finance Authority Act is amended by changing Section 801-40 as follows:

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(20 ILCS 3501/801-40)

- Sec. 801-40. In addition to the powers otherwise authorized by law and in addition to the foregoing general corporate powers, the Authority shall also have the following additional specific powers to be exercised in furtherance of the purposes of this Act.
- (a) The Authority shall have power (i) to accept grants, 7 8 loans or appropriations from the federal government or the 9 State, or any agency or instrumentality thereof, to be used for the operating expenses of the Authority, or for any purposes of 10 11 the Authority, including the making of direct loans of such 12 funds with respect to projects, and (ii) to enter into any agreement with the federal government or the State, or any 1.3 agency or instrumentality thereof, in relationship to such 14 15 grants, loans or appropriations.
 - (b) The Authority shall have power to procure and enter into contracts for any type of insurance and indemnity agreements covering loss or damage to property from any cause, including loss of use and occupancy, or covering any other insurable risk.
 - (c) The Authority shall have the continuing power to issue bonds for its corporate purposes. Bonds may be issued by the Authority in one or more series and may provide for the payment of any interest deemed necessary on such bonds, of the costs of issuance of such bonds, of any premium on any insurance, or of

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the cost of any quarantees, letters of credit or other similar documents, may provide for the funding of the reserves deemed necessary in connection with such bonds, and may provide for the refunding or advance refunding of any bonds or for accounts deemed necessary in connection with any purpose of the Authority. The bonds may bear interest payable at any time or times and at any rate or rates, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, and such rate or rates may be established by an index or formula which may be implemented or established by persons appointed or retained therefor by the Authority, or may bear no interest or may bear interest payable at maturity or upon redemption prior to maturity, may bear such date or dates, may be payable at such time or times and at such place or places, may mature at any time or times not later than 40 years from the date of issuance, may be sold at public or private sale at such time or times and at such price or prices, may be secured by such pledges, reserves, quarantees, letters of credit, insurance contracts or other similar credit support or liquidity instruments, may be executed in such manner, may be subject to redemption prior to maturity, may provide for the registration of the bonds, and may be subject to such other terms and conditions all as may be provided by the resolution or indenture authorizing the issuance of such bonds. The holder or holders of any bonds issued by the Authority may bring suits at law or proceedings in equity to compel the performance and observance by any person or by the Authority or any of its

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agents or employees of any contract or covenant made with the holders of such bonds and to compel such person or the Authority and any of its agents or employees to perform any duties required to be performed for the benefit of the holders any such bonds by the provision of the resolution authorizing their issuance, and to enjoin such person or the Authority and any of its agents or employees from taking any action in conflict with any such contract or covenant. Notwithstanding the form and tenor of any such bonds and in the absence of any express recital on the face thereof that it is non-negotiable, all such bonds shall be negotiable instruments. Pending the preparation and execution of any such bonds, temporary bonds may be issued as provided by the resolution. The bonds shall be sold by the Authority in such manner as it shall determine. The bonds may be secured as provided in the authorizing resolution by the receipts, 17 revenues, income and other available funds of the Authority and by any amounts derived by the Authority from the loan agreement or lease agreement with respect to the project or projects; and bonds may be issued as general obligations of the Authority payable from such revenues, funds and obligations of the Authority as the bond resolution shall provide, or may be issued as limited obligations with a claim for payment solely such revenues, funds and obligations as the bond resolution shall provide. The Authority may grant a specific pledge or assignment of and lien on or security interest in

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such rights, revenues, income, or amounts and may grant a specific pledge or assignment of and lien on or security interest in any reserves, funds or accounts established in the resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds. Any such pledge, assignment, lien or security interest for the benefit of the holders of the Authority's bonds shall be valid and binding from the time the bonds are issued without any physical delivery or further act, and shall be valid and binding as against and prior to the claims of all other parties having claims against the Authority or any other person irrespective of whether the other parties have notice of the pledge, assignment, lien or security interest. As evidence of such pledge, assignment, lien and security interest, the Authority may execute and deliver a mortgage, trust agreement, indenture or security agreement or an assignment thereof. A remedy for any breach or default of the terms of any such agreement by the Authority may be by mandamus proceedings in any court of jurisdiction to compel the performance competent compliance therewith, but the agreement may prescribe by whom or on whose behalf such action may be instituted. It is expressly understood that the Authority may, but need not, acquire title to any project with respect to which it exercises its authority.

(c-5) The Authority shall have the power to issue State

Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds if in any fiscal year the

amount appropriated for all accelerated pension benefit

- payments is less than the amount required for those payments.

 The proceeds from the State Pension Obligation Acceleration

 Bonds issued under this subsection may only be used to pay for accelerated pension benefit payments for the fiscal year in which the State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds are issued.
 - The Authority shall not have outstanding at any one time State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds for any of the purposes of this subsection in an aggregate principal amount exceeding \$250,000,000, excluding bonds issued to refund outstanding State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds.
 - (d) With respect to the powers granted by this Act, the Authority may adopt rules and regulations prescribing the procedures by which persons may apply for assistance under this Act. Nothing herein shall be deemed to preclude the Authority, prior to the filing of any formal application, from conducting preliminary discussions and investigations with respect to the subject matter of any prospective application.
 - (e) The Authority shall have power to acquire by purchase, lease, gift or otherwise any property or rights therein from any person useful for its purposes, whether improved for the purposes of any prospective project, or unimproved. The Authority may also accept any donation of funds for its purposes from any such source. The Authority shall have no independent power of condemnation but may acquire any property or rights therein obtained upon condemnation by any other

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- authority, governmental entity or unit of local government with such power.
 - (f) The Authority shall have power to develop, construct and improve either under its own direction, or through collaboration with any approved applicant, or to acquire through purchase or otherwise, any project, using for such purpose the proceeds derived from the sale of its bonds or from governmental loans or grants, and to hold title in the name of the Authority to such projects.
 - (q) The Authority shall have power to lease pursuant to a lease agreement any project so developed and constructed or acquired to the approved tenant on such terms and conditions as may be appropriate to further the purposes of this Act and to maintain the credit of the Authority. Any such lease may provide for either the Authority or the approved tenant to assume initially, in whole or in part, the costs maintenance, repair and improvements during the leasehold period. In no case, however, shall the total rentals from any project during any initial leasehold period or the total loan repayments to be made pursuant to any loan agreement, be less than an amount necessary to return over such lease or loan period (1)all costs incurred in connection with the development, construction, acquisition or improvement of the project and for repair, maintenance and improvements thereto during the period of the lease or loan; provided, however, that the rentals or loan repayments need not include costs met

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through the use of funds other than those obtained by the Authority through the issuance of its bonds or governmental loans; (2) a reasonable percentage additive to be agreed upon by the Authority and the borrower or tenant to cover a properly allocable portion of the Authority's general expenses, including, but not limited to, administrative expenses, salaries and general insurance, and (3) an amount sufficient to pay when due all principal of, interest and premium, if any on, any bonds issued by the Authority with respect to the project. The portion of total rentals payable under clause (3) of this subsection (g) shall be deposited in such special accounts, including all sinking funds, acquisition or construction funds, debt service and other funds as provided by any resolution, mortgage or trust agreement of the Authority pursuant to which any bond is issued.

(h) The Authority has the power, upon the termination of any leasehold period of any project, to sell or lease for a further term or terms such project on such terms and conditions as the Authority shall deem reasonable and consistent with the purposes of the Act. The net proceeds from all such sales and the revenues or income from such leases shall be used to satisfy any indebtedness of the Authority with respect to such project and any balance may be used to pay any expenses of the Authority or be used for the further development, construction, acquisition or improvement of projects. In the event any project is vacated by a tenant prior to the termination of the

- initial leasehold period, the Authority shall sell or lease the facilities of the project on the most advantageous terms available. The net proceeds of any such disposition shall be treated in the same manner as the proceeds from sales or the revenues or income from leases subsequent to the termination of any initial leasehold period.
 - (i) The Authority shall have the power to make loans to persons to finance a project, to enter into loan agreements with respect thereto, and to accept guarantees from persons of its loans or the resultant evidences of obligations of the Authority.
 - (j) The Authority may fix, determine, charge and collect any premiums, fees, charges, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, any application fees, commitment fees, program fees, financing charges or publication fees from any person in connection with its activities under this Act.
 - (k) In addition to the funds established as provided herein, the Authority shall have the power to create and establish such reserve funds and accounts as may be necessary or desirable to accomplish its purposes under this Act and to deposit its available monies into the funds and accounts.
 - (1) At the request of the governing body of any unit of local government, the Authority is authorized to market such local government's revenue bond offerings by preparing bond issues for sale, advertising for sealed bids, receiving bids at its offices, making the award to the bidder that offers the

most favorable terms or arranging for negotiated placements or underwritings of such securities. The Authority may, at its discretion, offer for concurrent sale the revenue bonds of several local governments. Sales by the Authority of revenue bonds under this Section shall in no way imply State guarantee of such debt issue. The Authority may require such financial information from participating local governments as it deems necessary in order to carry out the purposes of this subsection (1).

- (m) The Authority may make grants to any county to which Division 5-37 of the Counties Code is applicable to assist in the financing of capital development, construction and renovation of new or existing facilities for hospitals and health care facilities under that Act. Such grants may only be made from funds appropriated for such purposes from the Build Illinois Bond Fund.
- (n) The Authority may establish an urban development action grant program for the purpose of assisting municipalities in Illinois which are experiencing severe economic distress to help stimulate economic development activities needed to aid in economic recovery. The Authority shall determine the types of activities and projects for which the urban development action grants may be used, provided that such projects and activities are broadly defined to include all reasonable projects and activities the primary objectives of which are the development of viable urban communities, including decent housing and a

suitable living environment, and expansion of economic opportunity, principally for persons of low and moderate incomes. The Authority shall enter into grant agreements from monies appropriated for such purposes from the Build Illinois Bond Fund. The Authority shall monitor the use of the grants, and shall provide for audits of the funds as well as recovery by the Authority of any funds determined to have been spent in violation of this subsection (n) or any rule or regulation promulgated hereunder. The Authority shall provide technical assistance with regard to the effective use of the urban development action grants. The Authority shall file an annual report to the General Assembly concerning the progress of the grant program.

(o) The Authority may establish a Housing Partnership Program whereby the Authority provides zero-interest loans to municipalities for the purpose of assisting in the financing of projects for the rehabilitation of affordable multi-family housing for low and moderate income residents. The Authority may provide such loans only upon a municipality's providing evidence that it has obtained private funding for the rehabilitation project. The Authority shall provide 3 State dollars for every 7 dollars obtained by the municipality from sources other than the State of Illinois. The loans shall be made from monies appropriated for such purpose from the Build Illinois Bond Fund. The total amount of loans available under the Housing Partnership Program shall not exceed \$30,000,000.

- State loan monies under this subsection shall be used only for the acquisition and rehabilitation of existing buildings containing 4 or more dwelling units. The terms of any loan made by the municipality under this subsection shall require repayment of the loan to the municipality upon any sale or other transfer of the project.
 - (p) The Authority may award grants to universities and research institutions, research consortiums and other not-for-profit entities for the purposes of: remodeling or otherwise physically altering existing laboratory or research facilities, expansion or physical additions to existing laboratory or research facilities, construction of new laboratory or research facilities or acquisition of modern equipment to support laboratory or research operations provided that such grants (i) be used solely in support of project and equipment acquisitions which enhance technology transfer, and (ii) not constitute more than 60 percent of the total project or acquisition cost.
 - (q) Grants may be awarded by the Authority to units of local government for the purpose of developing the appropriate infrastructure or defraying other costs to the local government in support of laboratory or research facilities provided that such grants may not exceed 40% of the cost to the unit of local government.
 - (r) The Authority may establish a Direct Loan Program to make loans to individuals, partnerships or corporations for the

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purpose of an industrial project, as defined in Section 801-10 of this Act. For the purposes of such program and not by way of limitation on any other program of the Authority, the Authority shall have the power to issue bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness including commercial paper for purposes of providing a fund of capital from which it may make such loans. The Authority shall have the power to use any appropriations from the State made especially for the Authority's Direct Loan Program for additional capital to make such loans or for the purposes of reserve funds or pledged funds which secure the Authority's obligations of repayment of any bond, note or other form of indebtedness established for the purpose of providing capital for which it intends to make such loans under the Direct Loan Program. For the purpose of obtaining such capital, the Authority may also enter into agreements with financial institutions and other persons for the purpose of selling loans and developing a secondary market for such loans. Loans made under the Direct Loan Program may be in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 and shall be made for a portion of an industrial project which does not exceed 50% of the total project. No loan may be made by the Authority unless approved by the affirmative vote of at least 8 members of the board. The Authority shall establish procedures and publish rules which shall provide for the submission, review, and analysis of each direct loan application and which shall preserve the ability of each board member to reach an individual business judgment regarding the

propriety of making each direct loan. The collective discretion of the board to approve or disapprove each loan shall be unencumbered. The Authority may establish and collect such fees and charges, determine and enforce such terms and conditions, and charge such interest rates as it determines to be necessary and appropriate to the successful administration of the Direct Loan Program. The Authority may require such interests in collateral and such guarantees as it determines are necessary to project the Authority's interest in the repayment of the principal and interest of each loan made under the Direct Loan Program.

- (s) The Authority may guarantee private loans to third parties up to a specified dollar amount in order to promote economic development in this State.
- (t) The Authority may adopt rules and regulations as may be necessary or advisable to implement the powers conferred by this Act.
- (u) The Authority shall have the power to issue bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, which may be used to make loans to units of local government which are authorized to enter into loan agreements and other documents and to issue bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness for the purpose of financing the protection of storm sewer outfalls, the construction of adequate storm sewer outfalls, and the provision for flood protection of sanitary sewage treatment plans, in counties that have established a stormwater

- management planning committee in accordance with Section 5-1062 of the Counties Code. Any such loan shall be made by the Authority pursuant to the provisions of Section 820-5 to 820-60 of this Act. The unit of local government shall pay back to the Authority the principal amount of the loan, plus annual interest as determined by the Authority. The Authority shall have the power, subject to appropriations by the General Assembly, to subsidize or buy down a portion of the interest on such loans, up to 4% per annum.
- (v) The Authority may accept security interests as provided in Sections 11-3 and 11-3.3 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.
- (w) Moral Obligation. In the event that the Authority determines that monies of the Authority will not be sufficient for the payment of the principal of and interest on its bonds during the next State fiscal year, the Chairperson, as soon as practicable, shall certify to the Governor the amount required by the Authority to enable it to pay such principal of and interest on the bonds. The Governor shall submit the amount so certified to the General Assembly as soon as practicable, but no later than the end of the current State fiscal year. This subsection shall apply only to any bonds or notes as to which the Authority shall have determined, in the resolution authorizing the issuance of the bonds or notes, that this subsection shall apply. Whenever the Authority makes such a determination, that fact shall be plainly stated on the face of the bonds or notes and that fact shall also be reported to the

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Governor. In the event of a withdrawal of moneys from a reserve fund established with respect to any issue or issues of bonds of the Authority to pay principal or interest on those bonds, the Chairperson of the Authority, as soon as practicable, shall certify to the Governor the amount required to restore the reserve fund to the level required in the resolution or indenture securing those bonds. The Governor shall submit the amount so certified to the General Assembly as soon as practicable, but no later than the end of the current State fiscal year. The Authority shall obtain written approval from the Governor for any bonds and notes to be issued under this Section. In addition to any other bonds authorized to be issued under Sections 825-60, 825-65(e), 830-25 and 845-5, the principal amount of Authority bonds outstanding issued under this Section 801-40(w) or under 20 ILCS 3850/1-80 or 30 ILCS 360/2-6 (c), which have been assumed by the Authority, shall not exceed \$150,000,000. This subsection (w) shall in no way be applied to any bonds issued by the Authority on behalf of the Illinois Power Agency under Section 825-90 of this Act.

(x) The Authority may enter into agreements or contracts with any person necessary or appropriate to place the payment obligations of the Authority under any of its bonds in whole or in part on any interest rate basis, cash flow basis, or other basis desired by the Authority, including without limitation agreements or contracts commonly known as "interest rate swap agreements", "forward payment conversion agreements", and

- "futures", or agreements or contracts to exchange cash flows or 1 2 a series of payments, or agreements or contracts, including 3 without limitation agreements or contracts commonly known as "options", "puts", or "calls", to hedge payment, rate spread, 5 or similar exposure; provided that any such agreement or contract shall not constitute an obligation for borrowed money 6 7 and shall not be taken into account under Section 845-5 of this 8 Act or any other debt limit of the Authority or the State of 9 Illinois.
- 10 (y) The Authority shall publish summaries of projects and
 11 actions approved by the members of the Authority on its
 12 website. These summaries shall include, but not be limited to,
 13 information regarding the:
- 14 (1) project;
- 15 (2) Board's action or actions;
- 16 (3) purpose of the project;
- 17 (4) Authority's program and contribution;
- 18 (5) volume cap;
- 19 (6) jobs retained;
- 20 (7) projected new jobs;
- 21 (8) construction jobs created;
- 22 (9) estimated sources and uses of funds;
- 23 (10) financing summary;
- 24 (11) project summary;
- 25 (12) business summary;
- 26 (13) ownership or economic disclosure statement;

- 1 (14) professional and financial information;
- 2 (15) service area; and
- 3 (16) legislative district.
- 4 The disclosure of information pursuant to this subsection
- 5 shall comply with the Freedom of Information Act.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 95-470, eff. 8-27-07; 95-481, eff. 8-28-07;
- 7 95-876, eff. 8-21-08; 96-795, eff. 7-1-10 (see Section 5 of
- 8 P.A. 96-793 for the effective date of changes made by P.A.
- 9 96-795).)
- 10 Section 15. The State Finance Act is amended by adding
- 11 Section 5.878 as follows:
- 12 (30 ILCS 105/5.878 new)
- 13 Sec. 5.878. The State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bond
- 14 Fund.
- 15 Section 20. The General Obligation Bond Act is amended by
- 16 changing Sections 2, 2.5, 9, 11, 12, and 13 and by adding
- 17 Section 7.6 as follows:
- 18 (30 ILCS 330/2) (from Ch. 127, par. 652)
- 19 Sec. 2. Authorization for Bonds. The State of Illinois is
- 20 authorized to issue, sell and provide for the retirement of
- 21 General Obligation Bonds of the State of Illinois for the
- 22 categories and specific purposes expressed in Sections 2

through 8 of this Act, in the total amount of $\frac{$50,167,925,743}{$49,917,925,743}$.

The bonds authorized in this Section 2 and in Section 16 of this Act are herein called "Bonds".

Of the total amount of Bonds authorized in this Act, up to \$2,200,000,000 in aggregate original principal amount may be issued and sold in accordance with the Baccalaureate Savings Act in the form of General Obligation College Savings Bonds.

Of the total amount of Bonds authorized in this Act, up to \$300,000,000 in aggregate original principal amount may be issued and sold in accordance with the Retirement Savings Act in the form of General Obligation Retirement Savings Bonds.

Of the total amount of Bonds authorized in this Act, the additional \$10,000,000,000 authorized by Public Act 93-2, the \$3,466,000,000 authorized by Public Act 96-43, and the \$4,096,348,300 authorized by Public Act 96-1497 shall be used solely as provided in Section 7.2.

Of the total amount of Bonds authorized in this Act, the additional \$250,000,000 authorized by this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly shall be used solely as provided in Section 7.6.

The issuance and sale of Bonds pursuant to the General Obligation Bond Act is an economical and efficient method of financing the long-term capital needs of the State. This Act will permit the issuance of a multi-purpose General Obligation Bond with uniform terms and features. This will not only lower

- 1 the cost of registration but also reduce the overall cost of
- 2 issuing debt by improving the marketability of Illinois General
- 3 Obligation Bonds.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 97-333, eff. 8-12-11; 97-771, eff. 7-10-12;
- 5 97-813, eff. 7-13-12; 98-94, eff. 7-17-13; 98-463, eff.
- 6 8-16-13; 98-781, eff. 7-22-14.)
- 7 (30 ILCS 330/2.5)
- 8 Sec. 2.5. Limitation on issuance of Bonds.
- 9 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), no Bonds may be 10 issued if, after the issuance, in the next State fiscal year 11 after the issuance of the Bonds, the amount of debt service (including principal, whether payable at maturity or pursuant 12 to mandatory sinking fund installments, and interest) on all 13 14 then-outstanding Bonds, other than (i) Bonds authorized by this 15 amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly, (ii) Bonds authorized by Public Act 96-43, and (iii) other than Bonds 16 authorized by Public Act 96-1497, would exceed 7% of the 17 18 aggregate appropriations from the general funds (which consist of the General Revenue Fund, the Common School Fund, the 19 General Revenue Common School Special Account Fund, and the 20 21 Education Assistance Fund) and the Road Fund for the fiscal 22 year immediately prior to the fiscal year of the issuance.
- 23 (b) If the Comptroller and Treasurer each consent in 24 writing, Bonds may be issued even if the issuance does not 25 comply with subsection (a). In addition, \$2,000,000,000 in

- Bonds for the purposes set forth in Sections 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7,
- and \$2,000,000,000 in Refunding Bonds under Section 16, may be
- 3 issued during State fiscal year 2017 without complying with
- 4 subsection (a).
- 5 (Source: P.A. 99-523, eff. 6-30-16.)
- 6 (30 ILCS 330/7.6 new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 7.6. State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds.</u>
- 8 (a) As used in this Act, "State Pension Obligation
- 9 <u>Acceleration Bonds" means Bonds authorized by this amendatory</u>
- 10 Act of the 100th General Assembly and used for the purposes set
- 11 forth in subsection (c-5) of Section 801-40 of the Illinois
- 12 Finance Authority Act.
- 13 (b) State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds in the
- amount of \$250,000,000 are hereby authorized to be used for the
- purposes set forth in subsection (c-5) of Section 801-40 of the
- 16 Illinois Finance Authority Act.
- 17 (c) The proceeds of State Pension Obligation Acceleration
- 18 Bonds authorized in subsection (b) of this Section, less the
- 19 amounts authorized in the Bond Sale Order to be directly paid
- 20 <u>out for bond sale expenses under Section</u> 8, shall be deposited
- 21 directly into the State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bond
- 22 Fund, and the Comptroller and the Treasurer shall, as soon as
- 23 practical, make payments as contemplated by subsection (c-5) of
- 24 Section 801-40 of the Illinois Finance Authority Act.
- 25 (d) There is created the State Pension Obligation

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- 1 Acceleration Bond Fund as a special fund in the State Treasury.
- 2 Funds deposited in the State Pension Obligation Acceleration
- 3 Bond Fund may only be used for the purposes set forth in
- 4 subsection (c-5) of Section 801-40 of the Illinois Finance
- 5 Authority Act or for the payment of principal and interest due
- on State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds.
- 7 (30 ILCS 330/9) (from Ch. 127, par. 659)
- 8 Sec. 9. Conditions for Issuance and Sale of Bonds 9 Requirements for Bonds.
 - (a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subsection (h), Bonds shall be issued and sold from time to time, in one or more series, in such amounts and at such prices as may be directed by the Governor, upon recommendation by the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Bonds shall be in such form (either coupon, registered or book entry), in such denominations, payable within 25 years from their date, subject to such terms of redemption with or without premium, bear interest payable at such times and at such fixed or variable rate or rates, and be dated as shall be fixed and determined by the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget in the order authorizing the issuance and sale of any series of Bonds, which order shall be approved by the Governor and is herein called a "Bond Sale Order"; provided however, that interest payable at fixed or variable rates shall not exceed that permitted in the Bond Authorization Act, as now

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or hereafter amended. Bonds shall be payable at such place or places, within or without the State of Illinois, and may be made registrable as to either principal or as to both principal and interest, as shall be specified in the Bond Sale Order. Bonds may be callable or subject to purchase and retirement or tender and remarketing as fixed and determined in the Bond Sale Order. Bonds, other than Bonds issued under Section 3 of this for the costs associated with the purchase and implementation of information technology, (i) except for refunding Bonds satisfying the requirements of Section 16 of this Act and sold during fiscal year 2009, 2010, 2011, or 2017 must be issued with principal or mandatory redemption amounts in equal amounts, with the first maturity issued occurring within the fiscal year in which the Bonds are issued or within the next succeeding fiscal year and (ii) must mature or be subject to mandatory redemption each fiscal year thereafter up to 25 years, except for refunding Bonds satisfying the requirements of Section 16 of this Act and sold during fiscal year 2009, 2010, or 2011 which must mature or be subject to mandatory redemption each fiscal year thereafter up to 16 years. Bonds issued under Section 3 of this Act for the costs associated with the purchase and implementation of information technology must be issued with principal or mandatory redemption amounts in equal amounts, with the first maturity issued occurring with the fiscal year in which the respective bonds are issued or with the next succeeding fiscal year, with

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1 the respective bonds issued maturing or subject to mandatory

2 redemption each fiscal year thereafter up to 10 years.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Act to the contrary, the

Bonds authorized by Public Act 96-43 shall be payable within 5

years from their date and must be issued with principal or

mandatory redemption amounts in equal amounts, with payment of

principal or mandatory redemption beginning in the first fiscal

year following the fiscal year in which the Bonds are issued.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Act to the contrary, the Bonds authorized by Public Act 96-1497 shall be payable within 8 years from their date and shall be issued with payment of maturing principal or scheduled mandatory redemptions in accordance with the following schedule, except the following amounts shall be prorated if less than the total additional amount of Bonds authorized by Public Act 96-1497 are issued:

16	Fiscal Year After Issuance	Amount
17	1-2	\$0
18	3	\$110,712,120
19	4	\$332,136,360
20	5	\$664,272,720
21	6-8	\$996,409,080

In the case of any series of Bonds bearing interest at a variable interest rate ("Variable Rate Bonds"), in lieu of determining the rate or rates at which such series of Variable Rate Bonds shall bear interest and the price or prices at which such Variable Rate Bonds shall be initially sold or remarketed

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(in the event of purchase and subsequent resale), the Bond Sale Order may provide that such interest rates and prices may vary from time to time depending on criteria established in such Sale Order, which criteria may include, limitation, references to indices or variations in interest rates as may, in the judgment of a remarketing agent, be necessary to cause Variable Rate Bonds of such series to be remarketable from time to time at a price equal to their principal amount, and may provide for appointment of a bank, trust company, investment bank, or other financial institution to serve as remarketing agent in that connection. The Bond Sale Order may provide that alternative interest rates or provisions establishing alternative interest rates, different security or claim priorities, or different call or amortization provisions will apply during such times as Variable Rate Bonds of any series are held by a person providing credit or liquidity enhancement arrangements such for Bonds authorized in subsection (b) of this Section. The Bond Sale Order may also provide for such variable interest rates to be established pursuant to a process generally known as an auction rate process and may provide for appointment of one or more financial institutions to serve as auction agents broker-dealers in connection with the establishment of such interest rates and the sale and remarketing of such Bonds.

(b) In connection with the issuance of any series of Bonds, the State may enter into arrangements to provide additional

security and liquidity for such Bonds, including, without limitation, bond or interest rate insurance or letters of credit, lines of credit, bond purchase contracts, or other arrangements whereby funds are made available to retire or purchase Bonds, thereby assuring the ability of owners of the Bonds to sell or redeem their Bonds. The State may enter into contracts and may agree to pay fees to persons providing such arrangements, but only under circumstances where the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget certifies that he or she reasonably expects the total interest paid or to be paid on the Bonds, together with the fees for the arrangements (being treated as if interest), would not, taken together, cause the Bonds to bear interest, calculated to their stated maturity, at a rate in excess of the rate that the Bonds would bear in the absence of such arrangements.

The State may, with respect to Bonds issued or anticipated to be issued, participate in and enter into arrangements with respect to interest rate protection or exchange agreements, guarantees, or financial futures contracts for the purpose of limiting, reducing, or managing interest rate exposure. The authority granted under this paragraph, however, shall not increase the principal amount of Bonds authorized to be issued by law. The arrangements may be executed and delivered by the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget on behalf of the State. Net payments for such arrangements shall constitute interest on the Bonds and shall be paid from the

- General Obligation Bond Retirement and Interest Fund. The
 Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget
 shall at least annually certify to the Governor and the State
 Comptroller his or her estimate of the amounts of such net
- 5 payments to be included in the calculation of interest required
- 6 to be paid by the State.
 - (c) Prior to the issuance of any Variable Rate Bonds pursuant to subsection (a), the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall adopt an interest rate risk management policy providing that the amount of the State's variable rate exposure with respect to Bonds shall not exceed 20%. This policy shall remain in effect while any Bonds are outstanding and the issuance of Bonds shall be subject to the terms of such policy. The terms of this policy may be amended from time to time by the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget but in no event shall any amendment cause the permitted level of the State's variable rate exposure with respect to Bonds to exceed 20%.
 - (d) "Build America Bonds" in this Section means Bonds authorized by Section 54AA of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Internal Revenue Code"), and bonds issued from time to time to refund or continue to refund "Build America Bonds".
 - (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section,
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at such prices as may be directed by the Governor, upon recommendation by the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. Qualified School Construction Bonds shall be in such form (either coupon, registered or book entry), in such denominations, payable within 25 years from their date, subject to such terms of redemption with or without premium, and if the Qualified School Construction Bonds are issued with a supplemental coupon, bear interest payable at such times and at such fixed or variable rate or rates, and be dated as shall be fixed and determined by the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget in the order authorizing the issuance and sale of any series of Qualified School Construction Bonds, which order shall be approved by the Governor and is herein called a "Bond Sale Order"; except that interest payable at fixed or variable rates, if any, shall not exceed that permitted in the Bond Authorization Act, as now or hereafter amended. Qualified School Construction Bonds shall be payable at such place or places, within or without the State of Illinois, and may be made registrable as to either principal or as to both principal and interest, as shall be specified in the Bond Sale Order. Qualified School Construction Bonds may be callable or subject to purchase and retirement or tender and remarketing as fixed and determined in the Bond Sale Order. Oualified School Construction Bonds must be issued with principal or mandatory redemption amounts or sinking fund payments into the General Obligation Bond Retirement and

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Interest Fund (or subaccount therefor) in equal amounts, with the first maturity issued, mandatory redemption payment or sinking fund payment occurring within the fiscal year in which the Oualified School Construction Bonds are issued or within the next succeeding fiscal year, with Qualified School Construction Bonds issued maturing or subject to mandatory redemption or with sinking fund payments thereof deposited each fiscal year thereafter up to 25 years. Sinking fund payments set forth in this subsection shall be permitted only to the extent authorized in Section 54F of the Internal Revenue Code or as otherwise determined by the Director of the Governor's Office of Management Budget. "Qualified and Construction Bonds" in this subsection means Bonds authorized by Section 54F of the Internal Revenue Code and for bonds issued from time to time to refund or continue to refund such "Qualified School Construction Bonds".

(f) Beginning with the next issuance by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget to the Procurement Policy Board of a request for quotation for the purpose of formulating a new pool of qualified underwriting banks list, all entities responding to such a request for quotation for inclusion on that list shall provide a written report to the Governor's Office of Management and Budget and the Illinois Comptroller. The written report submitted to the Comptroller shall (i) be published on the Comptroller's Internet website and (ii) be used by the Governor's Office of Management and Budget for the

- purposes of scoring such a request for quotation. The written report, at a minimum, shall:
 - (1) disclose whether, within the past 3 months, pursuant to its credit default swap market-making activities, the firm has entered into any State of Illinois credit default swaps ("CDS");
 - (2) include, in the event of State of Illinois CDS activity, disclosure of the firm's cumulative notional volume of State of Illinois CDS trades and the firm's outstanding gross and net notional amount of State of Illinois CDS, as of the end of the current 3-month period;
 - (3) indicate, pursuant to the firm's proprietary trading activities, disclosure of whether the firm, within the past 3 months, has entered into any proprietary trades for its own account in State of Illinois CDS;
 - (4) include, in the event of State of Illinois proprietary trades, disclosure of the firm's outstanding gross and net notional amount of proprietary State of Illinois CDS and whether the net position is short or long credit protection, as of the end of the current 3-month period;
 - (5) list all time periods during the past 3 months during which the firm held net long or net short State of Illinois CDS proprietary credit protection positions, the amount of such positions, and whether those positions were net long or net short credit protection positions; and

- 1 (6) indicate whether, within the previous 3 months, the 2 firm released any publicly available research or marketing 3 reports that reference State of Illinois CDS and include 4 those research or marketing reports as attachments.
 - (g) All entities included on a Governor's Office of Management and Budget's pool of qualified underwriting banks list shall, as soon as possible after March 18, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96-1554), but not later than January 21, 2011, and on a quarterly fiscal basis thereafter, provide a written report to the Governor's Office of Management and Budget and the Illinois Comptroller. The written reports submitted to the Comptroller shall be published on the Comptroller's Internet website. The written reports, at a minimum, shall:
 - (1) disclose whether, within the past 3 months, pursuant to its credit default swap market-making activities, the firm has entered into any State of Illinois credit default swaps ("CDS");
 - (2) include, in the event of State of Illinois CDS activity, disclosure of the firm's cumulative notional volume of State of Illinois CDS trades and the firm's outstanding gross and net notional amount of State of Illinois CDS, as of the end of the current 3-month period;
 - (3) indicate, pursuant to the firm's proprietary trading activities, disclosure of whether the firm, within the past 3 months, has entered into any proprietary trades

for its own account in State of Illinois CDS;

- (4) include, in the event of State of Illinois proprietary trades, disclosure of the firm's outstanding gross and net notional amount of proprietary State of Illinois CDS and whether the net position is short or long credit protection, as of the end of the current 3-month period;
- (5) list all time periods during the past 3 months during which the firm held net long or net short State of Illinois CDS proprietary credit protection positions, the amount of such positions, and whether those positions were net long or net short credit protection positions; and
- (6) indicate whether, within the previous 3 months, the firm released any publicly available research or marketing reports that reference State of Illinois CDS and include those research or marketing reports as attachments.
- (h) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, for purposes of maximizing market efficiencies and cost savings, State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds may be issued and sold from time to time, in one or more series, in such amounts and at such prices as may be directed by the Governor, upon recommendation by the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds shall be in such form, either coupon, registered, or book entry, in such denominations, shall bear interest payable at such times and at such fixed or variable

rate or rates, and be dated as shall be fixed and determined by the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget in the order authorizing the issuance and sale of any series of State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds, which order shall be approved by the Governor and is herein called a "Bond Sale Order"; provided, however, that interest payable at fixed or variable rates shall not exceed that permitted in the Bond Authorization Act. State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds shall be payable at such place or places, within or without the State of Illinois, and may be made registrable as to either principal or as to both principal and interest, as shall be specified in the Bond Sale Order. State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds may be callable or subject to purchase and retirement or tender and remarketing as fixed and determined in the Bond Sale Order.

16 (Source: P.A. 99-523, eff. 6-30-16.)

17 (30 ILCS 330/11) (from Ch. 127, par. 661)

Sec. 11. Sale of Bonds. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, Bonds shall be sold from time to time pursuant to notice of sale and public bid or by negotiated sale in such amounts and at such times as is directed by the Governor, upon recommendation by the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget. At least 25%, based on total principal amount, of all Bonds issued each fiscal year shall be sold pursuant to notice of sale and public bid. At all times during

each fiscal year, no more than 75%, based on total principal amount, of the Bonds issued each fiscal year, shall have been sold by negotiated sale. Failure to satisfy the requirements in the preceding 2 sentences shall not affect the validity of any previously issued Bonds; provided that all Bonds authorized by Public Act 96-43 and Public Act 96-1497 shall not be included in determining compliance for any fiscal year with the requirements of the preceding 2 sentences; and further provided that refunding Bonds satisfying the requirements of Section 16 of this Act and sold during fiscal year 2009, 2010, 2011, or 2017 shall not be subject to the requirements in the preceding 2 sentences.

If any Bonds, including refunding Bonds, are to be sold by negotiated sale, the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall comply with the competitive request for proposal process set forth in the Illinois Procurement Code and all other applicable requirements of that Code.

If Bonds are to be sold pursuant to notice of sale and public bid, the Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget may, from time to time, as Bonds are to be sold, advertise the sale of the Bonds in at least 2 daily newspapers, one of which is published in the City of Springfield and one in the City of Chicago. The sale of the Bonds shall also be advertised in the volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin that is published by the Department of Central Management Services, and shall be published once at least 10 days prior to

the date fixed for the opening of the bids. The Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget may reschedule the date of sale upon the giving of such additional notice as the Director deems adequate to inform prospective bidders of such change; provided, however, that all other conditions of the sale shall continue as originally advertised.

Executed Bonds shall, upon payment therefor, be delivered to the purchaser, and the proceeds of Bonds shall be paid into the State Treasury as directed by Section 12 of this Act.

All State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds shall comply with this Section. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, however, for purposes of complying with this Section, State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds, regardless of the number of series or issuances sold thereunder, shall be considered a single issue or series. Furthermore, for purposes of complying with the competitive bidding requirements of this Section, the words "at all times" shall not apply to any such sale of the State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds. The Director of the Governor's Office of Management and Budget shall determine the time and manner of any competitive sale of the State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds; however, that sale shall under no circumstances take place later than 60 days after the State closes the sale of 75% of the State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds by negotiated sale.

25 (Source: P.A. 98-44, eff. 6-28-13; 99-523, eff. 6-30-16.)

- 1 (30 ILCS 330/12) (from Ch. 127, par. 662)
- 2 Sec. 12. Allocation of Proceeds from Sale of Bonds.
- 3 (a) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds, authorized by Section
- 4 3 of this Act, shall be deposited in the separate fund known as
- 5 the Capital Development Fund.
- 6 (b) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds, authorized by
- 7 paragraph (a) of Section 4 of this Act, shall be deposited in
- 8 the separate fund known as the Transportation Bond, Series A
- 9 Fund.
- 10 (c) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds, authorized by
- 11 paragraphs (b) and (c) of Section 4 of this Act, shall be
- deposited in the separate fund known as the Transportation
- 13 Bond, Series B Fund.
- (c-1) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds, authorized by
- paragraph (d) of Section 4 of this Act, shall be deposited into
- the Transportation Bond Series D Fund, which is hereby created.
- 17 (d) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds, authorized by Section
- 18 5 of this Act, shall be deposited in the separate fund known as
- 19 the School Construction Fund.
- 20 (e) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds, authorized by Section
- 21 6 of this Act, shall be deposited in the separate fund known as
- the Anti-Pollution Fund.
- 23 (f) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds, authorized by Section
- 7 of this Act, shall be deposited in the separate fund known as
- 25 the Coal Development Fund.
- 26 (f-2) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds, authorized by

- 1 Section 7.2 of this Act, shall be deposited as set forth in
- 2 Section 7.2.
- 3 (f-5) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds, authorized by
- 4 Section 7.5 of this Act, shall be deposited as set forth in
- 5 Section 7.5.
- 6 (f-7) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds, authorized by
- 7 Section 7.6 of this Act, shall be deposited as set forth in
- 8 <u>Section 7.6.</u>
- 9 (g) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds, authorized by Section
- 10 8 of this Act, shall be deposited in the Capital Development
- 11 Fund.
- 12 (h) Subsequent to the issuance of any Bonds for the
- purposes described in Sections 2 through 8 of this Act, the
- 14 Governor and the Director of the Governor's Office of
- 15 Management and Budget may provide for the reallocation of
- unspent proceeds of such Bonds to any other purposes authorized
- under said Sections of this Act, subject to the limitations on
- 18 aggregate principal amounts contained therein. Upon any such
- 19 reallocation, such unspent proceeds shall be transferred to the
- appropriate funds as determined by reference to paragraphs (a)
- 21 through (g) of this Section.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 96-36, eff. 7-13-09.)
- 23 (30 ILCS 330/13) (from Ch. 127, par. 663)
- Sec. 13. Appropriation of Proceeds from Sale of Bonds.
- 25 (a) At all times, the proceeds from the sale of Bonds

issued pursuant to this Act are subject to appropriation by the General Assembly and, except as provided in Sections 7.2 and 7.6 Section 7.2, may be obligated or expended only with the written approval of the Governor, in such amounts, at such times, and for such purposes as the respective State agencies, as defined in Section 1-7 of the Illinois State Auditing Act, as amended, deem necessary or desirable for the specific purposes contemplated in Sections 2 through 8 of this Act. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, proceeds from the sale of Bonds issued pursuant to this Act appropriated by the General Assembly to the Architect of the Capitol may be obligated or expended by the Architect of the Capitol without the written approval of the Governor.

(b) Proceeds from the sale of Bonds for the purpose of development of coal and alternative forms of energy shall be expended in such amounts and at such times as the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, with the advice and recommendation of the Illinois Coal Development Board for coal development projects, may deem necessary and desirable for the specific purpose contemplated by Section 7 of this Act. In considering the approval of projects to be funded, the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity shall give special consideration to projects designed to remove sulfur and other pollutants in the preparation and utilization of coal, and in the use and operation of electric utility generating plants and industrial facilities which utilize Illinois coal as

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- 1 their primary source of fuel.
- (c) Except as directed in subsection (c-1) or (c-2), any monies received by any officer or employee of the state representing a reimbursement of expenditures previously paid from general obligation bond proceeds shall be deposited into the General Obligation Bond Retirement and Interest Fund authorized in Section 14 of this Act.
 - (c-1)Any money received by the Department of Transportation as reimbursement for expenditures for high speed rail purposes pursuant to appropriations from the Transportation Bond, Series B Fund for (i) CREATE (Chicago Region Environmental and Transportation Efficiency), (ii) High Speed Rail, or (iii) AMTRAK projects authorized by the federal government under the provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 or the Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act-A Legacy for any successor federal transportation (SAFETEA-LU), or authorization Act, shall be deposited into the Federal High Speed Rail Trust Fund.
 - (c-2)Any money received by the Department of Transportation as reimbursement for expenditures for transit purposes pursuant to appropriations from capital Transportation Bond, Series B Fund for projects authorized by the federal government under the provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 or the Safe Accountable Flexible Efficient Transportation Equity Act-A Legacy for

- 1 Users (SAFETEA-LU), or any successor federal transportation
- 2 authorization Act, shall be deposited into the Federal Mass
- 3 Transit Trust Fund.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 98-674, eff. 6-30-14.)
- 5 Section 25. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by
- 6 changing Sections 1-160, 2-162, 14-152.1, 15-108.1, 15-108.2,
- 7 15-198, 16-203, 18-124, 18-125, 18-125.1, 18-127, 18-128.01,
- 8 18-133, 18-169, 20-121, 20-123, 20-124, and 20-125 and by
- 9 adding Sections 2-105.3, 2-165.5, 14-103.41, 14-103.42,
- 10 14-103.43, 14-147.5, 14-155.5, 15-108.3, 15-185.5, 15-200.5,
- 11 16-106.40, 16-106.41, 16-106.42, 16-190.5, 16-205.5, 18-110.1,
- 12 18-110.2, 18-110.3, and 18-121.5 as follows:
- 13 (40 ILCS 5/1-160)
- 14 (Text of Section WITHOUT the changes made by P.A. 98-641,
- which has been held unconstitutional)
- Sec. 1-160. Provisions applicable to new hires.
- 17 (a) The provisions of this Section apply to a person who,
- on or after January 1, 2011, first becomes a member or a
- 19 participant under any reciprocal retirement system or pension
- 20 fund established under this Code, other than a retirement
- 21 system or pension fund established under Article 2, 3, 4, 5, 6,
- 22 15 or 18 of this Code, notwithstanding any other provision of
- this Code to the contrary, but do not apply to any self-managed
- 24 plan established under this Code, to any person with respect to

service as a sheriff's law enforcement employee under Article 7, or to any participant of the retirement plan established under Section 22-101. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section, for purposes of this Section, a person who participated in a retirement system under Article 15 prior to January 1, 2011 shall be deemed a person who first became a member or participant prior to January 1, 2011 under any retirement system or pension fund subject to this Section. The changes made to this Section by <u>Public Act 98-596</u> this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly are a clarification of existing law and are intended to be retroactive to <u>January 1, 2011</u> (the effective date of Public Act 96-889), notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1-103.1 of this Code.

The provisions of this Section do not apply to service under a Tier 3 plan established under Article 2, 14, 15, 16, or 18 of this Code.

(b) "Final average salary" means the average monthly (or annual) salary obtained by dividing the total salary or earnings calculated under the Article applicable to the member or participant during the 96 consecutive months (or 8 consecutive years) of service within the last 120 months (or 10 years) of service in which the total salary or earnings calculated under the applicable Article was the highest by the number of months (or years) of service in that period. For the purposes of a person who first becomes a member or participant of any retirement system or pension fund to which this Section

- applies on or after January 1, 2011, in this Code, "final average salary" shall be substituted for the following:
 - (1) In Article 7 (except for service as sheriff's law enforcement employees), "final rate of earnings".
 - (2) In Articles 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12, "highest average annual salary for any 4 consecutive years within the last 10 years of service immediately preceding the date of withdrawal".
 - (3) In Article 13, "average final salary".
 - (4) In Article 14, "final average compensation".
- 11 (5) In Article 17, "average salary".
- 12 (6) In Section 22-207, "wages or salary received by him 13 at the date of retirement or discharge".
 - (b-5) Beginning on January 1, 2011, for all purposes under this Code (including without limitation the calculation of benefits and employee contributions), the annual earnings, salary, or wages (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.

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) A member or participant is entitled to a retirement annuity upon written application if he or she has attained age 67 (beginning January 1, 2015, age 65 with respect to service under Article 12 of this Code that is subject to this Section) and has at least 10 years of service credit and is otherwise eligible under the requirements of the applicable Article.

A member or participant who has attained age 62 (beginning January 1, 2015, age 60 with respect to service under Article 12 of this Code that is subject to this Section) and has at least 10 years of service credit and is otherwise eligible under the requirements of the applicable Article may elect to receive the lower retirement annuity provided in subsection (d) of this Section.

(d) The retirement annuity of a member or participant who is retiring after attaining age 62 (beginning January 1, 2015, age 60 with respect to service under Article 12 of this Code that is subject to this Section) with at least 10 years of service credit shall be reduced by one-half of 1% for each full month that the member's age is under age 67 (beginning January

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- 1 1, 2015, age 65 with respect to service under Article 12 of this Code that is subject to this Section).
 - (e) Any retirement annuity or supplemental annuity shall be subject to annual increases on the January 1 occurring either on or after the attainment of age 67 (beginning January 1, 2015, age 65 with respect to service under Article 12 of this Code that is subject to this Section) or 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. Ιf the unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1 is zero or there is a decrease, then the annuity shall not be increased.
 - (f) The initial survivor's or widow's annuity of an otherwise eligible survivor or widow of a retired member or participant who first became a member or participant on or after January 1, 2011 shall be in the amount of 66 2/3% of the retired member's or participant's retirement annuity at the date of death. In the case of the death of a member or participant who has not retired and who first became a member or participant on or after January 1, 2011, eligibility for a survivor's or widow's annuity shall be determined by the

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applicable Article of this Code. The initial benefit shall be 66 2/3% of the earned annuity without a reduction due to age. A child's annuity of an otherwise eligible child shall be in the amount prescribed under each Article if applicable. Any survivor's or widow's annuity shall be increased (1) on each January 1 occurring on or after the commencement of the annuity if the deceased member died while receiving a retirement annuity or (2) in other cases, on each January 1 occurring after the first anniversary of the commencement of the annuity. 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 survivor's annuity. Ιf the unadjusted percentage change in the consumer price index-u for the 12 months ending with the September preceding each November 1 is zero or there is a decrease, then the annuity shall not be increased.

(g) The benefits in Section 14-110 apply only if the person is a State policeman, a fire fighter in the fire protection service of a department, or a security employee of the Department of Corrections or the Department of Juvenile Justice, as those terms are defined in subsection (b) of Section 14-110. A person who meets the requirements of this Section is entitled to an annuity calculated under the provisions of Section 14-110, in lieu of the regular or minimum

retirement annuity, only if the person has withdrawn from service with not less than 20 years of eligible creditable service and has attained age 60, regardless of whether the attainment of age 60 occurs while the person is still in service.

(h) If a person who first becomes a member or a participant of a retirement system or pension fund subject to this Section on or after January 1, 2011 is receiving a retirement annuity or retirement pension under that system or fund and becomes a member or participant under any other system or fund created by this Code and is employed on a full-time basis, except for those members or participants exempted from the provisions of this Section under subsection (a) of this Section, then the person's retirement annuity or retirement pension under that system or fund shall be suspended during that employment. Upon termination of that employment, the person's retirement annuity or retirement pension payments shall resume and be recalculated if recalculation is provided for under the applicable Article of this Code.

If a person who first becomes a member of a retirement system or pension fund subject to this Section on or after January 1, 2012 and is receiving a retirement annuity or retirement pension under that system or fund and accepts on a contractual basis a position to provide services to a governmental entity from which he or she has retired, then that person's annuity or retirement pension earned as an active

1 employee of the employer shall be suspended during that 2 contractual service. A person receiving an annuity or retirement pension under this Code shall notify the pension 3 fund or retirement system from which he or she is receiving an 4 5 annuity or retirement pension, as well as his or her 6 contractual employer, of his or her retirement status before 7 accepting contractual employment. A person who fails to submit such notification shall be quilty of a Class A misdemeanor and 8 9 required to pay a fine of \$1,000. Upon termination of that 10 contractual employment, the person's retirement annuity or 11 retirement pension payments shall resume and, if appropriate, 12 be recalculated under the applicable provisions of this Code.

- 13 (i) (Blank).
- 14 (j) In the case of a conflict between the provisions of
- 15 this Section and any other provision of this Code, the
- 16 provisions of this Section shall control.
- 17 (Source: P.A. 97-609, eff. 1-1-12; 98-92, eff. 7-16-13; 98-596,
- 18 eff. 11-19-13; 98-622, eff. 6-1-14; revised 3-24-16.)
- 19 (40 ILCS 5/2-105.3 new)
- Sec. 2-105.3. Tier 1 participant; Tier 2 participant; Tier
- 21 3 participant.
- 22 "Tier 1 participant": A participant who first became a
- participant before January 1, 2011.
- In the case of a Tier 1 participant who elects to
- 25 participate in the Tier 3 plan under Section 2-165.5 of this

- 1 Code, that participant shall be deemed a Tier 1 participant
- 2 only with respect to service performed or established before
- 3 the effective date of that election.
- 4 "Tier 2 participant": A participant who first became a
- 5 participant on or after January 1, 2011.
- In the case of a Tier 2 participant who elects to
- 7 participate in the Tier 3 plan under Section 2-165.5 of this
- 8 Code, that Tier 2 member shall be deemed a Tier 2 member only
- 9 with respect to service performed or established before the
- 10 effective date of that election.
- "Tier 3 participant": A participant who first becomes a
- participant on or after July 1, 2018 or a Tier 1 or Tier 2
- participant who elects to participate in the Tier 3 plan under
- 14 Section 2-165.5 of this Code, but only with respect to service
- performed on or after the effective date of that election.
- 16 (40 ILCS 5/2-162)
- 17 (Text of Section WITHOUT the changes made by P.A. 98-599,
- which has been held unconstitutional)
- 19 Sec. 2-162. Application and expiration of new benefit
- 20 increases.
- 21 (a) As used in this Section, "new benefit increase" means
- 22 an increase in the amount of any benefit provided under this
- 23 Article, or an expansion of the conditions of eligibility for
- 24 any benefit under this Article, that results from an amendment
- 25 to this Code that takes effect after the effective date of this

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- amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly. "New benefit 1 2 increase", however, does not include any benefit increase 3 resulting from the changes made to this Article by this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly. 4
 - (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code or any subsequent amendment to this Code, every new benefit increase is subject to this Section and shall be deemed to be granted only in conformance with and contingent upon compliance with the provisions of this Section.
 - (c) The Public Act enacting a new benefit increase must identify and provide for payment to the System of additional funding at least sufficient to fund the resulting annual increase in cost to the System as it accrues.

Every new benefit increase is contingent upon the General Assembly providing the additional funding required under this subsection. The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability shall analyze whether adequate additional funding has been provided for the new benefit increase and shall report its analysis to the Public Pension Division of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. A new benefit increase created by a Public Act that does not include the additional funding required under this subsection is null and void. If the Public Pension Division determines that the additional funding provided for a new benefit increase under this subsection is or has become inadequate, it may so certify to the Governor and the State Comptroller and, in the absence

- of corrective action by the General Assembly, the new benefit 1
- 2 increase shall expire at the end of the fiscal year in which
- the certification is made. 3
- (d) Every new benefit increase shall expire 5 years after 4
- 5 its effective date or on such earlier date as may be specified
- in the language enacting the new benefit increase or provided 6
- 7 under subsection (c). This does not prevent the General
- 8 Assembly from extending or re-creating a new benefit increase
- 9 by law.
- 10 (e) Except as otherwise provided in the language creating
- 11 the new benefit increase, a new benefit increase that expires
- 12 under this Section continues to apply to persons who applied
- and qualified for the affected benefit while the new benefit 13
- increase was in effect and to the affected beneficiaries and 14
- alternate payees of such persons, but does not apply to any 15
- 16 other person, including without limitation a person who
- 17 continues in service after the expiration date and did not
- apply and qualify for the affected benefit while the new 18
- benefit increase was in effect. 19
- (Source: P.A. 94-4, eff. 6-1-05.) 20
- 21 (40 ILCS 5/2-165.5 new)
- Sec. 2-165.5. Tier 3 plan. 22
- 23 (a) By July 1, 2018, the System shall prepare and implement
- 24 a Tier 3 plan. The Tier 3 plan developed under this Section
- shall be a plan that aggregates State and employee 25

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As used in this Section, "defined benefit plan" means the retirement plan available under this Article to Tier 1 or Tier 2 participants who have not made the election authorized under this Section.

- (1) All persons who begin to participate in this System on or after July 1, 2018 shall participate in the Tier 3 plan rather than the defined benefit plan.
- (2) A participant in the Tier 3 plan shall pay employee contributions at a rate of 8% of salary.
- (3) State contributions shall be paid into the accounts of all participants in the Tier 3 plan at a rate of 7.6% of salary.
- The Tier 3 plan shall require 5 years of participation in the Tier 3 plan before vesting in State contributions. If the participant fails to vest in them, the State contributions, and the earnings thereon, shall be

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- (5) The Tier 3 plan shall provide a variety of options for investments. These options shall include investments handled by the Illinois State Board of Investment as well as private sector investment options.
- (6) The Tier 3 plan shall provide a variety of options for payouts to participants in the Tier 3 plan who are no longer active in the System and their survivors.
- (7) To the extent authorized under federal law and as authorized by the System, the plan shall allow former participants in the plan to transfer or roll over employee and vested State contributions, and the earnings thereon, from the Tier 3 plan into other qualified retirement plans.
- (8) The System shall reduce the employee contributions credited to the participant's Tier 3 plan account by an amount determined by the System to cover the cost of offering these benefits and any applicable administrative fees.
- (b) Under the Tier 3 plan, an active Tier 1 or Tier 2 participant of this System may elect, in writing, to cease accruing benefits in the defined benefit plan and begin accruing benefits for future service in the Tier 3 plan. The election to participate in the Tier 3 plan is voluntary and irrevocable.
- (1) Service credit under the Tier 3 plan may be used for determining retirement eligibility under the defined

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benefit plan.

(2) The System shall make a good faith effort to contact all active Tier 1 and Tier 2 participants who are eligible to participate in the Tier 3 plan. The System shall mail information describing the option to join the Tier 3 plan to each of these employees to his or her last known address on file with the System. If the employee is not responsive to other means of contact, it is sufficient for the System to publish the details of the option on its website.

(3) Upon request for further information describing the option, the System shall provide employees with information from the System before exercising the option to join the plan, including information on the impact to their benefits and service. The individual consultation shall include projections of the participant's defined benefits at retirement or earlier termination of service and the value of the participant's account at retirement or earlier termination of service. The System shall not provide advice or counseling with respect to whether the employee should exercise the option. The System shall inform Tier 1 and Tier 2 participants who are eligible to participate in the Tier 3 plan that they may also wish to obtain information and counsel relating to their option from any other available source, including but not limited to private counsel and financial advisors.

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(b-5) A Tier 1 or Tier 2 participant who elects to participate in the Tier 3 plan may irrevocably elect to terminate all participation in the defined benefit plan. Upon that election, the System shall transfer to the participant's individual account an amount equal to the amount of contribution refund that the participant would be eligible to receive if the member terminated employment on that date and elected a refund of contributions, including the prescribed rate of interest for the respective years. The System shall make the transfer as a tax free transfer in accordance with Internal Revenue Service guidelines, for purposes of funding the amount credited to the participant's individual account.

(c) In no event shall the System, its staff, its authorized representatives, or the Board be liable for any information given to an employee under this Section. The System may coordinate with the Illinois Department of Central Management Services and other retirement systems administering a Tier 3 plan in accordance with this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly to provide information concerning the impact of the Tier 3 plan set forth in this Section.

(c-5) The System shall solicit proposals to provide administrative services and funding vehicles for the Tier 3 plan from insurance and annuity companies and mutual fund companies, banks, trust companies, or other financial institutions authorized to do business in this State. In reviewing the proposals received and approving and contracting

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1	with no fewer than 2 and no more than 7 companies, the Board of
2	Trustees of the System shall consider, among other things, the
3	<pre>following criteria:</pre>
4	(1) the nature and extent of the benefits that would be
5	provided to the participants;
6	(2) the reasonableness of the benefits in relation to
7	the premium charged;
8	(3) the suitability of the benefits to the needs and
9	interests of the participating employees and the employer;
10	(4) the ability of the company to provide benefits
11	under the contract and the financial stability of the
12	company; and
13	(5) the efficacy of the contract in the recruitment and
14	retention of employees.
15	The System shall periodically review each approved
16	company. A company may continue to provide administrative
17	services and funding vehicles for the Tier 3 plan only so long
18	as it continues to be an approved company under contract with
19	the Board.
20	(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, no
21	person shall begin participating in the Tier 3 plan until it
22	has attained qualified plan status and received all necessary
23	approvals from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.
24	(e) The System shall report on its progress under this
25	Section, including the available details of the Tier 3 plan and
26	the System's plans for informing eligible Tier 1 and Tier 2

- 1 participants about the plan, to the Governor and the General
- 2 Assembly on or before January 15, 2018.
- 3 (f) The Illinois State Board of Investment shall be the
- 4 plan sponsor for the Tier 3 plan established under this
- 5 Section.
- 6 (40 ILCS 5/14-103.41 new)
- 7 Sec. 14-103.41. Tier 1 member. "Tier 1 member": A member of
- 8 this System who first became a member or participant before
- 9 January 1, 2011 under any reciprocal retirement system or
- 10 pension fund established under this Code other than a
- 11 retirement system or pension fund established under Article 2,
- 12 3, 4, 5, 6, or 18 of this Code.
- 13 In the case of a Tier 1 member who elects to participate in
- 14 the Tier 3 plan under Section 14-155.5 of this Code, that Tier
- 15 1 member shall be deemed a Tier 1 member only with respect to
- service performed or established before the effective date of
- 17 that election.
- 18 (40 ILCS 5/14-103.42 new)
- 19 Sec. 14-103.42. Tier 2 member. "Tier 2 member": A member of
- 20 this System who first becomes a member under this Article on or
- 21 after January 1, 2011 and who is not a Tier 1 member.
- In the case of a Tier 2 member who elects to participate in
- the Tier 3 plan under Section 14-155.5 of this Code, that Tier
- 24 2 member shall be deemed a Tier 2 member only with respect to

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- 2 that election.
- 3 (40 ILCS 5/14-103.43 new)
- Sec. 14-103.43. Tier 3 member. "Tier 3 member": A member of
- 5 this System who first becomes a member on or after July 1, 2018
- or a Tier 1 or Tier 2 member who elects to participate in the
- 7 Tier 3 plan under Section 14-155.5 of this Code, but only with
- 8 respect to service performed on or after the effective date of
- 9 that election.
- 10 (40 ILCS 5/14-147.5 new)
- 11 Sec. 14-147.5. Accelerated pension benefit payment.
- 12 (a) As used in this Section:
- "Eliqible person" means a person who:
- 14 (1) has terminated service;
- 15 (2) has accrued sufficient service credit to be
- 16 eligible to receive a retirement annuity under this
- 17 Article;
- 18 (3) has not received any retirement annuity under this
- 19 Article; and
- 20 (4) does not have a QILDRO in effect against him or her
- 21 under this Article.
- "Pension benefit" means the benefits under this Article, or
- 23 Article 1 as it relates to those benefits, including any
- 24 anticipated annual increases, that an eligible person is

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1 <u>entitled to upon attainment of the applicable retirement age.</u>

"Pension benefit" also includes applicable survivor's or

disability benefits.

(b) Before January 1, 2019, and annually thereafter, the System shall calculate, using actuarial tables and other assumptions adopted by the Board, the net present value of pension benefits for each eligible person and shall offer each eligible person the opportunity to irrevocably elect to receive an amount determined by the System to be equal to 70% of the net present value of his or her pension benefits in lieu of receiving any pension benefit. The offer shall specify the dollar amount that the eligible person will receive if he or she so elects and shall expire when a subsequent offer is made to an eligible person or when the System determines that 10% of eligible persons in that year have made the election under this subsection, whichever occurs first. The System shall make a good faith effort to contact every eligible person to notify him or her of the election and of the amount of the accelerated pension benefit payment.

Until the System determines that 10% of eligible persons in that year have made the election under this subsection, an eligible person may irrevocably elect to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment in the amount that the System offers under this subsection in lieu of receiving any pension benefit.

A person who elects to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section may not elect to proceed under the

- Retirement Systems Reciprocal Act with respect to service under this Article.
 - (c) A person's credits and creditable service under this Article shall be terminated upon the person's receipt of an accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section, and no other benefit shall be paid under this Article based on those terminated credits and creditable service, including any retirement, survivor, or other benefit; except that to the extent that participation, benefits, or premiums under the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 are based on the amount of service credit, the terminated service credit shall be used for that purpose.
 - (d) If a person who has received an accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section returns to active service under this Article, then:
 - (1) Any benefits under the System earned as a result of that return to active service shall be based solely on the person's credits and creditable service arising from the return to active service.
 - (2) The accelerated pension benefit payment may not be repaid to the System, and the terminated credits and creditable service may not under any circumstances be reinstated.
 - (e) As a condition of receiving an accelerated pension benefit payment, an eligible person must have another retirement plan or account qualified under the Internal Revenue

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- Code of 1986, as amended, for the accelerated pension benefit payment to be rolled into. The accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section may be subject to withholding or payment of applicable taxes, but to the extent permitted by federal law, a person who receives an accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section must direct the System to pay all of that payment as a rollover into another retirement plan or account qualified under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- (f) Before January 1, 2020 and every January 1 thereafter, the Board shall certify to the Illinois Finance Authority and the General Assembly the amount by which the total amount of accelerated pension benefit payments made under this Section exceed the amount appropriated to the System for the purpose of making those payments.
- (q) The Board shall adopt any rules necessary to implement this Section.
 - (h) No provision of this Section shall be interpreted in a way that would cause the applicable System to cease to be a qualified plan under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, in no case shall the total amount of accelerated pension benefit payments paid under this Section, Section 15-185.5, and Section 16-190.5 cause the Illinois Finance Authority to issue more than the \$250,000,000 of State Pension Obligation Acceleration Bonds authorized in subsection (c-5) of Section 801-40 of the

Illinois Finance Authority Act.

- 2 (40 ILCS 5/14-152.1)
- 3 (Text of Section WITHOUT the changes made by P.A. 98-599,
- 4 which has been held unconstitutional)
- 5 Sec. 14-152.1. Application and expiration of new benefit
- 6 increases.
- 7 (a) As used in this Section, "new benefit increase" means
- 8 an increase in the amount of any benefit provided under this
- 9 Article, or an expansion of the conditions of eligibility for
- 10 any benefit under this Article, that results from an amendment
- 11 to this Code that takes effect after June 1, 2005 (the
- 12 effective date of Public Act 94-4). "New benefit increase",
- 13 however, does not include any benefit increase resulting from
- 14 the changes made to this Article by Public Act 96-37 or this
- amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly this amendatory
- 16 Act of the 96th General Assembly.
- 17 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code or any
- 18 subsequent amendment to this Code, every new benefit increase
- 19 is subject to this Section and shall be deemed to be granted
- 20 only in conformance with and contingent upon compliance with
- 21 the provisions of this Section.
- 22 (c) The Public Act enacting a new benefit increase must
- 23 identify and provide for payment to the System of additional
- 24 funding at least sufficient to fund the resulting annual
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Every new benefit increase is contingent upon the General Assembly providing the additional funding required under this subsection. The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability shall analyze whether adequate additional funding has been provided for the new benefit increase and shall report its analysis to the Public Pension Division of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. A new benefit increase created by a Public Act that does not include the additional funding required under this subsection is null and void. If the Public Pension Division determines that the additional funding provided for a new benefit increase under this subsection is or has become inadequate, it may so certify to the Governor and the State Comptroller and, in the absence of corrective action by the General Assembly, the new benefit increase shall expire at the end of the fiscal year in which the certification is made.

- (d) Every new benefit increase shall expire 5 years after its effective date or on such earlier date as may be specified in the language enacting the new benefit increase or provided under subsection (c). This does not prevent the General Assembly from extending or re-creating a new benefit increase by law.
- (e) Except as otherwise provided in the language creating the new benefit increase, a new benefit increase that expires under this Section continues to apply to persons who applied and qualified for the affected benefit while the new benefit

- 1 increase was in effect and to the affected beneficiaries and
- 2 alternate payees of such persons, but does not apply to any
- 3 other person, including without limitation a person who
- 4 continues in service after the expiration date and did not
- 5 apply and qualify for the affected benefit while the new
- 6 benefit increase was in effect.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 96-37, eff. 7-13-09.)
- 8 (40 ILCS 5/14-155.5 new)
- 9 Sec. 14-155.5. Tier 3 plan.
- 10 (a) By July 1, 2018, the System shall prepare and implement
- 11 a Tier 3 plan. The Tier 3 plan developed under this Section
- 12 <u>shall be a plan that aggregates State and employee</u>
- 13 contributions in individual participant accounts which, after
- 14 meeting any other requirements, are used for payouts after
- 15 retirement in accordance with this Section and any other
- 16 applicable laws. In developing, preparing, and implementing
- the Tier 3 plan and adopting rules concerning the Tier 3 plan,
- 18 the System shall utilize the framework of the self-managed plan
- 19 offered under Article 15 and shall endeavor to adapt the
- 20 benefits and structure of the self-managed plan. The System
- 21 shall consult with the State Universities Retirement System in
- developing the Tier 3 plan.
- 23 As used in this Section, "defined benefit plan" means the
- 24 retirement plan available under this Article to Tier 1 or Tier
- 25 2 members who have not made the election authorized under this

Section.

- (1) All persons who begin to participate in this System on or after July 1, 2018 shall participate in the Tier 3 plan rather than the defined benefit plan.
 - (2) A non-covered employee who participates in the Tier 3 plan shall pay employee contributions at a rate of 8% of compensation. A covered employee who participates in the Tier 3 plan shall pay employee contributions at a rate of 3% of compensation.
 - (3) State contributions shall be paid into the accounts of non-covered employees who participate in the Tier 3 plan at a rate of 7.6% of compensation, less the amount determined annually by the Board to cover the cost of offering the defined disability benefits available to other participants under this Article if the Tier 3 plan offers such benefits. State contributions shall be paid into the accounts of covered employees who participate in the Tier 3 plan at a rate of 3% of compensation.
 - (4) The Tier 3 plan shall require 5 years of participation in the Tier 3 plan before vesting in State contributions. If the participant fails to vest in them, the State contributions, and the earnings thereon, shall be forfeited.
 - (5) The Tier 3 plan may provide for participants in the plan to be eligible for the defined disability benefits available to other participants under this Article. If it

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does, for non-covered employees, the System shall reduce the State contributions credited to the member's Tier 3 plan account by an amount, not to exceed 1% of compensation, determined annually by the Board to cover the cost of offering such benefits. For covered employees, the State shall contribute an amount, not to exceed 1% of compensation, determined annually by the Board to cover the cost of offering such benefits, which is in addition to the 3% State contribution credited to the member's Tier 3 plan account.

- (6) The Tier 3 plan shall provide a variety of options for investments. These options shall include investments handled by the Illinois State Board of Investment as well as private sector investment options.
- (7) The Tier 3 plan shall provide a variety of options for payouts to participants in the Tier 3 plan who are no longer active in the System and their survivors.
- (8) To the extent authorized under federal law and as authorized by the System, the plan shall allow former participants in the plan to transfer or roll over employee and vested State contributions, and the earnings thereon, from the Tier 3 plan into other qualified retirement plans.
- (9) The System shall reduce the employee contributions credited to the member's Tier 3 plan account by an amount determined by the System to cover the cost of offering these benefits and any applicable administrative fees.

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- (b) Under the Tier 3 plan, an active Tier 1 or Tier 2 member of this System may elect, in writing, to cease accruing benefits in the defined benefit plan and begin accruing benefits for future service in the Tier 3 plan. The election to participate in the Tier 3 plan is voluntary and irrevocable.
 - (1) Service credit under the Tier 3 plan may be used for determining retirement eligibility under the defined benefit plan.
 - (2) The System shall make a good faith effort to contact all active Tier 1 and Tier 2 members who are eligible to participate in the Tier 3 plan. The System shall mail information describing the option to join the Tier 3 plan to each of these employees to his or her last known address on file with the System. If the employee is not responsive to other means of contact, it is sufficient for the System to publish the details of the option on its website.
 - (3) Upon request for further information describing the option, the System shall provide employees with information from the System before exercising the option to join the plan, including information on the impact to their benefits and service. The individual consultation shall include projections of the member's defined benefits at retirement or earlier termination of service and the value of the member's account at retirement or earlier termination of service. The System shall not provide advice

or counseling with respect to whether the employee should exercise the option. The System shall inform Tier 1 and Tier 2 members who are eligible to participate in the Tier 3 plan that they may also wish to obtain information and counsel relating to their option from any other available source, including but not limited to labor organizations, private counsel, and financial advisors.

in the Tier 3 plan may irrevocably elect to terminate all participation in the defined benefit plan. Upon that election, the System shall transfer to the member's individual account an amount equal to the amount of contribution refund that the member would be eligible to receive if the member terminated employment on that date and elected a refund of contributions, including regular interest for the respective years. The System shall make the transfer as a tax free transfer in accordance with Internal Revenue Service quidelines, for purposes of funding the amount credited to the member's individual account.

(c) In no event shall the System, its staff, its authorized representatives, or the Board be liable for any information given to an employee under this Section. The System may coordinate with the Illinois Department of Central Management Services and other retirement systems administering a Tier 3 plan in accordance with this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly to provide information concerning the impact of the Tier 3 plan set forth in this Section.

Τ	(c-5) The System shall solicit proposals to provide
2	administrative services and funding vehicles for the Tier 3
3	plan from insurance and annuity companies and mutual fund
4	companies, banks, trust companies, or other financial
5	institutions authorized to do business in this State. In
6	reviewing the proposals received and approving and contracting
7	with no fewer than 2 and no more than 7 companies, the Board of
8	Trustees of the System shall consider, among other things, the
9	<pre>following criteria:</pre>
10	(1) the nature and extent of the benefits that would be
11	<pre>provided to the participants;</pre>
12	(2) the reasonableness of the benefits in relation to
13	the premium charged;
14	(3) the suitability of the benefits to the needs and
15	interests of the participating employees and the employer;
16	(4) the ability of the company to provide benefits
17	under the contract and the financial stability of the
18	company; and
19	(5) the efficacy of the contract in the recruitment and
20	retention of employees.
21	The System shall periodically review each approved
22	company. A company may continue to provide administrative
23	services and funding vehicles for the Tier 3 plan only so long
24	as it continues to be an approved company under contract with
25	the Board.
26	(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, no

- 1 person shall begin participating in the Tier 3 plan until it
- 2 has attained qualified plan status and received all necessary
- 3 approvals from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.
- 4 (e) The System shall report on its progress under this
- 5 Section, including the available details of the Tier 3 plan and
- 6 the System's plans for informing eligible Tier 1 and Tier 2
- 7 members about the plan, to the Governor and the General
- 8 Assembly on or before January 15, 2018.
- 9 <u>(f) The Illinois State Board of Investment shall be the</u>
- 10 plan sponsor for the Tier 3 plan established under this
- 11 Section.
- 12 (40 ILCS 5/15-108.1)
- 13 Sec. 15-108.1. Tier 1 member. "Tier 1 member": A
- 14 participant or an annuitant of a retirement annuity under this
- 15 Article, other than a participant in the self-managed plan
- under Section 15-158.2, who first became a participant or
- 17 member before January 1, 2011 under any reciprocal retirement
- 18 system or pension fund established under this Code, other than
- 19 a retirement system or pension fund established under Articles
- 20 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 18 of this Code. "Tier 1 member" includes a
- 21 person who first became a participant under this System before
- January 1, 2011 and who accepts a refund and is subsequently
- reemployed by an employer on or after January 1, 2011.
- In the case of a Tier 1 member who elects to participate in
- 25 <u>the Tier 3 plan under Section 15-200.5 of this Code, that Tier</u>

- 1 1 member shall be deemed a Tier 1 member only with respect to
- 2 service performed or established before the effective date of
- 3 that election.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 98-92, eff. 7-16-13.)
- 5 (40 ILCS 5/15-108.2)
- 6 Sec. 15-108.2. Tier 2 member. "Tier 2 member": A person who
- 7 first becomes a participant under this Article on or after
- 8 January 1, 2011, other than a person in the self-managed plan
- 9 established under Section 15-158.2, unless the person is
- 10 otherwise a Tier 1 member. The changes made to this Section by
- 11 this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly are a
- 12 correction of existing law and are intended to be retroactive
- to the effective date of Public Act 96-889, notwithstanding the
- provisions of Section 1-103.1 of this Code.
- In the case of a Tier 2 member who elects to participate in
- the Tier 3 plan under Section 15-200.5 of this Code, that Tier
- 2 member shall be deemed a Tier 2 member only with respect to
- 18 service performed or established before the effective date of
- 19 that election.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 98-92, eff. 7-16-13; 98-596, eff. 11-19-13.)
- 21 (40 ILCS 5/15-108.3 new)
- 22 <u>Sec. 15-108.3. Tier 3 member. "Tier 3 member": A person who</u>
- first becomes a participant under this Article on or after July
- 24 1, 2018 or a Tier 1 or Tier 2 member who elects to participate

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- 2 only with respect to service performed on or after the
- 3 <u>effective date of that election.</u>
- 4 (40 ILCS 5/15-185.5 new)
- 5 Sec. 15-185.5. Accelerated pension benefit payment.
- 6 (a) As used in this Section:
- 7 "Eliqible person" means a person who:
- 8 (1) has terminated service;
- 9 (2) has accrued sufficient service credit to be
- 10 <u>eligible to receive a retirement annuity under this</u>
- 11 Article;
- 12 (3) has not received any retirement annuity under this
- 13 Article;
- 14 (4) does not have a QILDRO in effect against him or her
- 15 un<u>der this Article; and</u>
- 16 (5) is not a participant in the self-managed plan under
- 17 Section 15-158.2.
- 18 "Pension benefit" means the benefits under this Article, or
- 19 Article 1 as it relates to those benefits, including any
- 20 anticipated annual increases, that an eligible person is
- 21 entitled to upon attainment of the applicable retirement age.
- 22 "Pension benefit" also includes applicable survivor's or
- 23 disability benefits.
- (b) Before January 1, 2018, and annually thereafter, the
- 25 System shall calculate, using actuarial tables and other

assumptions adopted by the Board, the net present value of pension benefits for each eligible person and shall offer each eligible person the opportunity to irrevocably elect to receive an amount determined by the System to be equal to 70% of the net present value of his or her pension benefits in lieu of receiving any pension benefit. The offer shall specify the dollar amount that the eligible person will receive if he or she so elects and shall expire when a subsequent offer is made to an eliqible person or when the System determines that 10% of eligible persons in that year have made the election under this subsection, whichever occurs first. The System shall make a good faith effort to contact every eligible person to notify him or her of the election and of the amount of the accelerated pension benefit payment.

Until the System determines that 10% of eligible persons in that year have made the election under this subsection, an eligible person may irrevocably elect to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment in the amount that the System offers under this subsection in lieu of receiving any pension benefit.

A person who elects to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section may not elect to proceed under the Retirement Systems Reciprocal Act with respect to service under this Article.

(c) A person's credits and creditable service under this Article shall be terminated upon the person's receipt of an accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section, and no

other benefit shall be paid under this Article based on those
terminated credits and creditable service, including any
retirement, survivor, or other benefit; except that to the
extent that participation, benefits, or premiums under the
State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 are based on the
amount of service credit, the terminated service credit shall
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- (d) If a person who has received an accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section returns to participating employee status under this Article, then:
 - (1) Any benefits under the System earned as a result of that return to participating employee status shall be based solely on the person's credits and creditable service arising from the return to participating employee status.
 - (2) The accelerated pension benefit payment may not be repaid to the System, and the terminated credits and creditable service may not under any circumstances be reinstated.
- (e) As a condition of receiving an accelerated pension benefit payment, an eligible person must have another retirement plan or account qualified under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for the accelerated pension benefit payment to be rolled into. The accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section may be subject to withholding or payment of applicable taxes, but to the extent permitted by federal law, a person who receives an accelerated pension

- 1 <u>benefit payment under this Section must direct the System to</u>
- 2 pay all of that payment as a rollover into another retirement
- 3 plan or account qualified under the Internal Revenue Code of
- 4 <u>1986</u>, as amended.
- (f) Before January 1, 2019 and every January 1 thereafter,
- 6 the Board shall certify to the Illinois Finance Authority and
- 7 the General Assembly the amount by which the total amount of
- 8 accelerated pension benefit payments made under this Section
- 9 exceed the amount appropriated to the System for the purpose of
- 10 making those payments.
- 11 (g) The Board shall adopt any rules necessary to implement
- 12 this Section.
- 13 (h) No provision of this Section shall be interpreted in a
- 14 way that would cause the applicable System to cease to be a
- 15 qualified plan under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- 16 (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, in
- 17 no case shall the total amount of accelerated pension benefit
- 18 payments paid under this Section, Section 14-147.5, and Section
- 19 16-190.5 cause the Illinois Finance Authority to issue more
- than the \$250,000,000 of State Pension Obligation Acceleration
- 21 Bonds authorized in subsection (c-5) of Section 801-40 of the
- 22 Illinois Finance Authority Act.
- 23 (40 ILCS 5/15-198)
- 24 (Text of Section WITHOUT the changes made by P.A. 98-599,
- which has been held unconstitutional)

- Sec. 15-198. Application and expiration of new benefit increases.
 - (a) As used in this Section, "new benefit increase" means an increase in the amount of any benefit provided under this Article, or an expansion of the conditions of eligibility for any benefit under this Article, that results from an amendment to this Code that takes effect after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly. "New benefit increase", however, does not include any benefit increase resulting from the changes made by this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly.
 - (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code or any subsequent amendment to this Code, every new benefit increase is subject to this Section and shall be deemed to be granted only in conformance with and contingent upon compliance with the provisions of this Section.
 - (c) The Public Act enacting a new benefit increase must identify and provide for payment to the System of additional funding at least sufficient to fund the resulting annual increase in cost to the System as it accrues.

Every new benefit increase is contingent upon the General Assembly providing the additional funding required under this subsection. The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability shall analyze whether adequate additional funding has been provided for the new benefit increase and shall report its analysis to the Public Pension Division of the

Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. A new benefit increase created by a Public Act that does not include the additional funding required under this subsection is null and void. If the Public Pension Division determines that the additional funding provided for a new benefit increase under this subsection is or has become inadequate, it may so certify to the Governor and the State Comptroller and, in the absence of corrective action by the General Assembly, the new benefit increase shall expire at the end of the fiscal year in which the certification is made.

- (d) Every new benefit increase shall expire 5 years after its effective date or on such earlier date as may be specified in the language enacting the new benefit increase or provided under subsection (c). This does not prevent the General Assembly from extending or re-creating a new benefit increase by law.
- (e) Except as otherwise provided in the language creating the new benefit increase, a new benefit increase that expires under this Section continues to apply to persons who applied and qualified for the affected benefit while the new benefit increase was in effect and to the affected beneficiaries and alternate payees of such persons, but does not apply to any other person, including without limitation a person who continues in service after the expiration date and did not apply and qualify for the affected benefit while the new benefit increase was in effect.

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1 (Source: P.A. 94-4, eff. 6-1-05.)

2 (40 ILCS 5/15-200.5 new)

self-managed plan.

- 3 Sec. 15-200.5. Tier 3 plan.
- 4 (a) By July 1, 2018, the System shall prepare and implement a Tier 3 plan. The Tier 3 plan developed under this Section 5 shall be a plan that aggregates State and employee 6 7 contributions in individual participant accounts which, after 8 meeting any other requirements, are used for payouts after 9 retirement in accordance with this Section and any other 10 applicable laws. In developing, preparing, and implementing 11 the Tier 3 plan and adopting rules concerning the Tier 3 plan, 12 the System shall utilize the framework of the self-managed plan 13 and shall endeavor to adapt the benefits and structure of the
 - As used in this Section, "defined benefit plan" means the traditional benefit package or the portable benefit package available under this Article to Tier 1 or Tier 2 members who have not made the election authorized under this Section and do not participate in the self-managed plan under Section 15-158.2.
- 21 (1) All persons who begin to participate in this System
 22 on or after July 1, 2018 shall participate in the Tier 3
 23 plan rather than the defined benefit plan or the
 24 self-managed plan under Section 15-158.2.
- 25 (2) A participant in the Tier 3 plan shall pay employee

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- (3) State contributions shall be paid into the accounts of all participants in the Tier 3 plan at a rate of 7.6% of earnings, less the amount determined annually by the Board to cover the cost of offering the defined disability benefits available to other participants under this Article if the Tier 3 plan offers such benefits.
- (4) The Tier 3 plan shall require 5 years of participation in the Tier 3 plan before vesting in State contributions. If the participant fails to vest in them, the State contributions, and the earnings thereon, shall be forfeited.
- (5) The Tier 3 plan may provide for participants in the plan to be eligible for the defined disability benefits available to other participants under this Article. If it does, the System shall reduce the employee contributions credited to the member's Tier 3 plan account by an amount, not to exceed 1% of earnings, determined annually by the Board to cover the cost of offering such benefits.
- (6) The Tier 3 plan shall provide a variety of options for investments. These options shall include investments handled by the System as well as private sector investment options.
- (7) The Tier 3 plan shall provide a variety of options for payouts to participants in the Tier 3 plan who are no longer active in the System and their survivors.

1	(8) To the extent authorized under federal law and as
2	authorized by the System, the plan shall allow former
3	participants in the plan to transfer or roll over employee
4	and vested State contributions, and the earnings thereon,
5	from the Tier 3 plan into other qualified retirement plans.
6	(9) The System shall reduce the employee contributions
7	credited to the member's Tier 3 plan account by an amount
8	determined by the System to cover the cost of offering
9	these benefits and any applicable administrative fees.
10	(b) Under the Tier 3 plan, an active Tier 1 or Tier 2
11	member of this System may elect, in writing, to cease accruing
12	benefits in the defined benefit plan and begin accruing
13	benefits for future service in the Tier 3 plan. An active Tier
14	1 or Tier 2 member who elects to cease accruing benefits in his
15	or her defined benefit plan shall be prohibited from purchasing
16	service credit on or after the date of his or her election. A
17	Tier 1 or Tier 2 member who elects to participate in the Tier 3
18	plan shall not receive interest accruals to his or her Rule 2
19	benefit on or after the date of his or her election. The
20	election to participate in the Tier 3 plan is voluntary and
21	<u>irrevocable.</u>
22	(1) Service credit under the Tier 3 plan may be used
23	for determining retirement eligibility under the defined
24	benefit plan.
25	(2) The System shall make a good faith effort to

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(3) Upon request for further information describing the option, the System shall provide employees with information from the System before exercising the option to join the plan, including information on the impact to their benefits and service. The individual consultation shall include projections of the member's defined benefits at retirement or earlier termination of service and the value of the member's account at retirement or earlier termination of service. The System shall not provide advice or counseling with respect to whether the employee should exercise the option. The System shall inform Tier 1 and Tier 2 members who are eligible to participate in the Tier 3 plan that they may also wish to obtain information and counsel relating to their option from any other available source, including but not limited to labor organizations, private counsel, and financial advisors.

(b-5) A Tier 1 or Tier 2 member who elects to participate in the Tier 3 plan may irrevocably elect to terminate all participation in the defined benefit plan. Upon that election,

the System shall transfer to the member's individual account an amount equal to the amount of contribution refund that the member would be eligible to receive if the member terminated employment on that date and elected a refund of contributions, including interest at the effective rate for the respective years. The System shall make the transfer as a tax free transfer in accordance with Internal Revenue Service guidelines, for purposes of funding the amount credited to the member's individual account.

(c) In no event shall the System, its staff, its authorized representatives, or the Board be liable for any information given to an employee under this Section. The System may coordinate with the Illinois Department of Central Management Services and other retirement systems administering a Tier 3 plan in accordance with this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly to provide information concerning the impact of the Tier 3 plan set forth in this Section.

(c-5) The System, in consultation with the employers, shall solicit proposals to provide administrative services and funding vehicles for the Tier 3 plan from insurance and annuity companies and mutual fund companies, banks, trust companies, or other financial institutions authorized to do business in this State. In reviewing the proposals received and approving and contracting with no fewer than 2 and no more than 7 companies, the Board of Trustees of the System shall consider, among other things, the following criteria:

1	(1) the nature and extent of the benefits that would be
2	provided to the participants;
3	(2) the reasonableness of the benefits in relation to
4	the premium charged;
5	(3) the suitability of the benefits to the needs and
6	interests of the participating employees and the employer;
7	(4) the ability of the company to provide benefits
8	under the contract and the financial stability of the
9	company; and
10	(5) the efficacy of the contract in the recruitment and
11	retention of employees.
12	The System, in consultation with the employers, shall
13	periodically review each approved company. A company may
14	continue to provide administrative services and funding
15	vehicles for the Tier 3 plan only so long as it continues to be
16	an approved company under contract with the Board.
17	(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, no
18	person shall begin participating in the Tier 3 plan until it
19	has attained qualified plan status and received all necessary
20	approvals from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.
21	(e) The System shall report on its progress under this
22	Section, including the available details of the Tier 3 plan and
23	the System's plans for informing eligible Tier 1 and Tier 2
24	members about the plan, to the Governor and the General
25	Assembly on or before January 15, 2018.

- 1 (40 ILCS 5/16-106.40 new)
- Sec. 16-106.40. Tier 1 member. "Tier 1 member": A member
- 3 under this Article who first became a member or participant
- 4 before January 1, 2011 under any reciprocal retirement system
- 5 <u>or pension fund established under this Code other than a</u>
- 6 retirement system or pension fund established under Article 2,
- 7 3, 4, 5, 6, or 18 of this Code.
- In the case of a Tier 1 member who elects to participate in
- 9 the Tier 3 plan under Section 16-205.5 of this Code, that Tier
- 10 1 member shall be deemed a Tier 1 member only with respect to
- 11 service performed or established before the effective date of
- 12 that election.
- 13 (40 ILCS 5/16-106.41 new)
- Sec. 16-106.41. Tier 2 member. "Tier 2 member": A member of
- 15 the System who first becomes a member under this Article on or
- after January 1, 2011 and who is not a Tier 1 member.
- 17 In the case of a Tier 2 member who elects to participate in
- 18 the Tier 3 plan under Section 16-205.5 of this Code, the Tier 2
- 19 member shall be deemed a Tier 2 member only with respect to
- 20 service performed or established before the effective date of
- 21 that election.
- 22 (40 ILCS 5/16-106.42 new)
- Sec. 16-106.42. Tier 3 member. "Tier 3 member": A member of
- the System who first becomes a member under this Article on or

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- 2 participate in the Tier 3 plan under Section 16-205.5 of this
- 3 Code, but only with respect to service performed on or after
- 4 the effective date of that election.
- 5 (40 ILCS 5/16-190.5 new)
- 6 Sec. 16-190.5. Accelerated pension benefit payment.
- 7 (a) As used in this Section:
- 8 "Eliqible person" means a person who:
- 9 (1) has terminated service;
- 10 (2) has accrued sufficient service credit to be
- 11 eligible to receive a retirement annuity under this
- 12 Article;
- 13 (3) has not received any retirement annuity under this
- 14 Article; and
- 15 (4) does not have a QILDRO in effect against him or her
- under this Article.
- 17 "Pension benefit" means the benefits under this Article, or
- 18 Article 1 as it relates to those benefits, including any
- 19 anticipated annual increases, that an eligible person is
- 20 entitled to upon attainment of the applicable retirement age.
- 21 "Pension benefit" also includes applicable survivor's or
- disability benefits.
- 23 (b) Before January 1, 2018, and annually thereafter, the
- 24 System shall calculate, using actuarial tables and other
- assumptions adopted by the Board, the net present value of

pension benefits for each eligible person and shall offer each eligible person the opportunity to irrevocably elect to receive an amount determined by the System to be equal to 70% of the net present value of his or her pension benefits in lieu of receiving any pension benefit. The offer shall specify the dollar amount that the eliqible person will receive if he or she so elects and shall expire when a subsequent offer is made to an eliqible person or when the System determines that 10% of eliqible persons in that year have made the election under this subsection, whichever occurs first. The System shall make a good faith effort to contact every eliqible person to notify him or her of the election and of the amount of the accelerated pension benefit payment.

Until the System determines that 10% of eligible persons in that year have made the election under this subsection, an eligible person may irrevocably elect to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment in the amount that the System offers under this subsection in lieu of receiving any pension benefit.

A person who elects to receive an accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section may not elect to proceed under the Retirement Systems Reciprocal Act with respect to service under this Article.

(c) A person's credits and creditable service under this Article shall be terminated upon the person's receipt of an accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section, and no other benefit shall be paid under this Article based on those

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- (d) If a person who has received an accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section returns to active service under this Article, then:
 - (1) Any benefits under the System earned as a result of that return to active service shall be based solely on the person's credits and creditable service arising from the return to active service.
 - (2) The accelerated pension benefit payment may not be repaid to the System, and the terminated credits and creditable service may not under any circumstances be reinstated.
- (e) As a condition of receiving an accelerated pension benefit payment, an eliqible person must have another retirement plan or account qualified under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for the accelerated pension benefit payment to be rolled into. The accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section may be subject to withholding or payment of applicable taxes, but to the extent permitted by federal law, a person who receives an accelerated pension benefit payment under this Section must direct the System to

- 1 pay all of that payment as a rollover into another retirement
- 2 plan or account qualified under the Internal Revenue Code of
- 3 1986, as amended.
- 4 (f) Before January 1, 2019 and every January 1 thereafter,
- 5 the Board shall certify to the Illinois Finance Authority and
- 6 the General Assembly the amount by which the total amount of
- 7 accelerated pension benefit payments made under this Section
- 8 exceed the amount appropriated to the System for the purpose of
- 9 making those payments.
- 10 (g) The Board shall adopt any rules necessary to implement
- 11 this Section.
- 12 (h) No provision of this Section shall be interpreted in a
- way that would cause the applicable System to cease to be a
- 14 qualified plan under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, in
- 16 no case shall the total amount of accelerated pension benefit
- payments paid under this Section, Section 14-147.5, and Section
- 18 15-185.5, and Section 16-190.5 cause the Illinois Finance
- 19 Authority to issue more than the \$250,000,000 of State Pension
- 20 Obligation Acceleration Bonds authorized in subsection (c-5)
- of Section 801-40 of the Illinois Finance Authority Act.
- 22 (40 ILCS 5/16-203)
- 23 (Text of Section WITHOUT the changes made by P.A. 98-599,
- which has been held unconstitutional)
- 25 Sec. 16-203. Application and expiration of new benefit

1 increases.

- (a) As used in this Section, "new benefit increase" means an increase in the amount of any benefit provided under this Article, or an expansion of the conditions of eligibility for any benefit under this Article, that results from an amendment to this Code that takes effect after June 1, 2005 (the effective date of Public Act 94-4). "New benefit increase", however, does not include any benefit increase resulting from the changes made to this Article by <u>Public Act 95-910 or this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly</u>.
 - (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code or any subsequent amendment to this Code, every new benefit increase is subject to this Section and shall be deemed to be granted only in conformance with and contingent upon compliance with the provisions of this Section.
 - (c) The Public Act enacting a new benefit increase must identify and provide for payment to the System of additional funding at least sufficient to fund the resulting annual increase in cost to the System as it accrues.

Every new benefit increase is contingent upon the General Assembly providing the additional funding required under this subsection. The Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability shall analyze whether adequate additional funding has been provided for the new benefit increase and shall report its analysis to the Public Pension Division of the

Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. A new benefit increase created by a Public Act that does not include the additional funding required under this subsection is null and void. If the Public Pension Division determines that the additional funding provided for a new benefit increase under this subsection is or has become inadequate, it may so certify to the Governor and the State Comptroller and, in the absence of corrective action by the General Assembly, the new benefit increase shall expire at the end of the fiscal year in which the certification is made.

- (d) Every new benefit increase shall expire 5 years after its effective date or on such earlier date as may be specified in the language enacting the new benefit increase or provided under subsection (c). This does not prevent the General Assembly from extending or re-creating a new benefit increase by law.
- (e) Except as otherwise provided in the language creating the new benefit increase, a new benefit increase that expires under this Section continues to apply to persons who applied and qualified for the affected benefit while the new benefit increase was in effect and to the affected beneficiaries and alternate payees of such persons, but does not apply to any other person, including without limitation a person who continues in service after the expiration date and did not apply and qualify for the affected benefit while the new benefit increase was in effect.

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1 (Source: P.A. 94-4, eff. 6-1-05; 95-910, eff. 8-26-08.)

- 2 (40 ILCS 5/16-205.5 new)
- 3 <u>Sec. 16-205.5. Tier 3 plan.</u>

developing the Tier 3 plan.

- 4 (a) By July 1, 2018, the System shall prepare and implement a Tier 3 plan. The Tier 3 plan developed under this Section 5 6 shall be a plan that aggregates State and employee 7 contributions in individual participant accounts which, after 8 meeting any other requirements, are used for payouts after 9 retirement in accordance with this Section and any other 10 applicable laws. In developing, preparing, and implementing 11 the Tier 3 plan and adopting rules concerning the Tier 3 plan, 12 the System shall utilize the framework of the self-managed plan 13 offered under Article 15 and shall endeavor to adapt the benefits and structure of the self-managed plan. The System 14
 - As used in this Section, "defined benefit plan" means the retirement plan available under this Article to Tier 1 or Tier 2 members who have not made the election authorized under this Section.

shall consult with the State Universities Retirement System in

- 21 (1) All persons who begin to participate in this System
 22 on or after July 1, 2018 shall participate in the Tier 3
 23 plan rather than the defined benefit plan.
- 24 (2) A participant in the Tier 3 plan shall pay employee 25 contributions at a rate of 8% of salary.

(3) State contributions shall be paid into the accounts
of all participants in the Tier 3 plan at a rate of 7.6% of
salary, less the amount determined annually by the Board to
cover the cost of offering the defined disability benefits
available to other participants under this Article if the
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- (4) The Tier 3 plan shall require 5 years of participation in the Tier 3 plan before vesting in State contributions. If the participant fails to vest in them, the State contributions, and the earnings thereon, shall be forfeited.
- (5) The Tier 3 plan may provide for participants in the plan to be eligible for the defined disability benefits available to other participants under this Article. If it does, the System shall reduce the employee contributions credited to the member's Tier 3 plan account by an amount, not to exceed 1% of salary, determined annually by the Board to cover the cost of offering such benefits.
- (6) The Tier 3 plan shall provide a variety of options for investments. These options shall include investments in a fund created by the System and managed in accordance with legal and fiduciary standards, as well as investment options otherwise available.
- (7) The Tier 3 plan shall provide a variety of options for payouts to participants in the Tier 3 plan who are no longer active in the System and their survivors.

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benefit plan.

1	(8) To the extent authorized under federal law and as
2	authorized by the System, the plan shall allow former
3	participants in the plan to transfer or roll over employee
4	and vested State contributions, and the earnings thereon,
5	from the Tier 3 plan into other qualified retirement plans.
6	(9) The System shall reduce the employee contributions
7	credited to the member's Tier 3 plan account by an amount
8	determined by the System to cover the cost of offering
9	these benefits and any applicable administrative fees.
10	(b) Under the Tier 3 plan, an active Tier 1 or Tier 2
11	member of this System may elect, in writing, to cease accruing
12	benefits in the defined benefit plan and begin accruing
13	benefits for future service in the Tier 3 plan. An active Tier
14	1 or Tier 2 member who elects to cease accruing benefits in his
15	or her defined benefit plan shall be prohibited from purchasing
16	service credit on or after the date of his or her election. A
17	Tier 1 or Tier 2 member making the irrevocable election
18	provided under this subsection shall not receive interest
19	accruals to his or her benefit under paragraph (A) of
20	subsection (a) of Section 16-133 of this Code on or after the
21	date of his or her election. The election to participate in the
22	Tier 3 plan is voluntary and irrevocable.
23	(1) Service credit under the Tier 3 plan may be used

for determining retirement eligibility under the defined

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contact all active Tier 1 and Tier 2 members who are eligible to participate in the Tier 3 plan. The System shall mail information describing the option to join the Tier 3 plan to each of these employees to his or her last known address on file with the System. If the employee is not responsive to other means of contact, it is sufficient for the System to publish the details of the option on its website.

(3) Upon request for further information describing the option, the System shall provide employees with information from the System before exercising the option to join the plan, including information on the impact to their benefits and service. The individual consultation shall include projections of the member's defined benefits at retirement or earlier termination of service and the value of the member's account at retirement or earlier termination of service. The System shall not provide advice or counseling with respect to whether the employee should exercise the option. The System shall inform Tier 1 and Tier 2 members who are eligible to participate in the Tier 3 plan that they may also wish to obtain information and counsel relating to their option from any other available source, including but not limited to labor organizations, private counsel, and financial advisors.

(b-5) A Tier 1 or Tier 2 member who elects to participate in the Tier 3 plan may irrevocably elect to terminate all

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(c-5) The System, in consultation with the employers, shall solicit proposals to provide administrative services and funding vehicles for the Tier 3 plan from insurance and annuity companies and mutual fund companies, banks, trust companies, or other financial institutions authorized to do business in this State. In reviewing the proposals received and approving and contracting with no fewer than 2 and no more than 7 companies, the Board of Trustees of the System shall consider, among other things, the following criteria:

1	(1) the nature and extent of the benefits that would be
2	provided to the participants;
3	(2) the reasonableness of the benefits in relation to
4	the premium charged;
5	(3) the suitability of the benefits to the needs and
6	interests of the participating employees and the employer;
7	(4) the ability of the company to provide benefits
8	under the contract and the financial stability of the
9	<pre>company; and</pre>
10	(5) the efficacy of the contract in the recruitment and
11	retention of employees.
12	The System, in consultation with the employers, shall
13	periodically review each approved company. A company may
14	continue to provide administrative services and funding
15	vehicles for the Tier 3 plan only so long as it continues to be
16	an approved company under contract with the Board.
17	(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, no
18	person shall begin participating in the Tier 3 plan until it
19	has attained qualified plan status and received all necessary
20	approvals from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.
21	(e) The System shall report on its progress under this
22	Section, including the available details of the Tier 3 plan and
23	the System's plans for informing eligible Tier 1 and Tier 2
24	members about the plan, to the Governor and the General
25	Assembly on or before January 15, 2018.

- 1 (40 ILCS 5/18-110.1 new)
- Sec. 18-110.1. Tier 1 participant. "Tier 1 participant": A
- 3 participant who first became a participant of this System
- 4 before January 1, 2011.
- 5 <u>In the case of a Tier 1 participant who elects to</u>
- 6 participate in the Tier 3 plan under Section 18-121.5 of this
- 7 Code, that Tier 1 participant shall be deemed a Tier 1
- 8 participant only with respect to service performed or
- 9 established before the effective date of that election.
- 10 (40 ILCS 5/18-110.2 new)
- 11 Sec. 18-110.2. Tier 2 participant. "Tier 2 participant": A
- 12 participant who first becomes a participant of this System on
- 13 or after January 1, 2011.
- 14 <u>In the case of a Tier 2 participant who elects to</u>
- 15 participate in the Tier 3 plan under Section 18-121.5 of this
- 16 Code, that Tier 2 participant shall be deemed a Tier 2
- 17 participant only with respect to service performed or
- 18 established before the effective date of that election.
- 19 (40 ILCS 5/18-110.3 new)
- Sec. 18-110.3. Tier 3 participant. "Tier 3 participant": A
- 21 participant who first becomes a participant of this System on
- or after July 1, 2018 or a Tier 1 or Tier 2 participant who
- elects to participate in the Tier 3 plan under Section 18-121.5
- of this Code, but only with respect to service performed on or

1 after the effective date of that election.

2	(40 ILCS 5/18-121.5 new)
3	Sec. 18-121.5. Tier 3 plan.
4	(a) By July 1, 2018, the System shall prepare and implement
5	a Tier 3 plan. The Tier 3 plan developed under this Section
6	shall be a plan that aggregates State and employee
7	contributions in individual participant accounts which, after
8	meeting any other requirements, are used for payouts after
9	retirement in accordance with this Section and any other
10	applicable laws. In developing, preparing, and implementing
11	the Tier 3 plan and adopting rules concerning the Tier 3 plan,
12	the System shall utilize the framework of the self-managed plan
13	offered under Article 15 and shall endeavor to adapt the
14	benefits and structure of the self-managed plan. The System
15	shall consult with the State Universities Retirement System in
16	developing the Tier 3 plan.
17	As used in this Section, "defined benefit plan" means the
18	retirement plan available under this Article to Tier 1 or Tier
19	2 participants who have not made the election authorized under
20	this Section.
21	(1) All persons who begin to participate in this System
22	on or after July 1, 2018 shall participate in the Tier 3
23	plan rather than the defined benefit plan.
24	(2) A participant in the Tier 3 plan shall pay employee
25	contributions at a rate of 8% of salary.

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1	(3) State contributions shall be paid into the accounts
2	of all participants in the Tier 3 plan at a rate of 7.6% of
3	salary, less the amount determined annually by the Board to
4	cover the cost of offering the defined disability benefits
5	available to other participants under this Article if the
6	Tier 3 plan offers such benefits.
7	(4) The Tier 3 plan shall require 5 years of
8	participation in the Tier 3 plan before vesting in State
9	contributions. If the participant fails to vest in them,
10	the State contributions, and the earnings thereon, shall be
11	<pre>forfeited.</pre>
12	(5) The Tier 3 plan may provide for participants in the
13	plan to be eligible for the defined disability benefits
14	available to other participants under this Article. If it
15	does, the System shall reduce the employee contributions
16	credited to the member's Tier 3 plan account by an amount,
17	not to exceed 1% of salary, determined annually by the
18	Board to cover the cost of offering such benefits.
19	(6) The Tier 3 plan shall provide a variety of options
20	for investments. These options shall include investments
21	handled by the Illinois State Board of Investment as well
22	as private sector investment options.
23	(7) The Tier 3 plan shall provide a variety of options

for payouts to participants in the Tier 3 plan who are no

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- (9) The System shall reduce the employee contributions credited to the participant's Tier 3 plan account by an amount determined by the System to cover the cost of offering these benefits and any applicable administrative fees.
- (b) Under the Tier 3 plan, an active Tier 1 or Tier 2 participant of this System may elect, in writing, to cease accruing benefits in the defined benefit plan and begin accruing benefits for future service in the Tier 3 plan. The election to participate in the Tier 3 plan is voluntary and irrevocable.
 - (1) Service credit under the Tier 3 plan may be used for determining retirement eligibility under the defined benefit plan.
 - (2) The System shall make a good faith effort to contact all active Tier 1 and Tier 2 participants who are eligible to participate in the Tier 3 plan. The System shall mail information describing the option to join the Tier 3 plan to each of these employees to his or her last known address on file with the System. If the employee is not responsive to other means of contact, it is sufficient for the System to publish the details of the option on its

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(3) Upon request for further information describing the option, the System shall provide employees with information from the System before exercising the option to join the plan, including information on the impact to their benefits and service. The individual consultation shall include projections of the participant's defined benefits at retirement or earlier termination of service and the value of the participant's account at retirement or earlier termination of service. The System shall not provide advice or counseling with respect to whether the employee should exercise the option. The System shall inform Tier 1 and Tier 2 participants who are eligible to participate in the Tier 3 plan that they may also wish to obtain information and counsel relating to their option from any other available source, including but not limited to private counsel and financial advisors.

(b-5) A Tier 1 or Tier 2 participant who elects to participate in the Tier 3 plan may irrevocably elect to terminate all participation in the defined benefit plan. Upon that election, the System shall transfer to the participant's individual account an amount equal to the amount of contribution refund that the participant would be eligible to receive if the participant terminated employment on that date and elected a refund of contributions, including interest at the prescribed rate of interest for the respective years. The

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- (c) In no event shall the System, its staff, its authorized representatives, or the Board be liable for any information given to an employee under this Section. The System may coordinate with the Illinois Department of Central Management Services and other retirement systems administering a Tier 3 plan in accordance with this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly to provide information concerning the impact of the Tier 3 plan set forth in this Section.
- (c-5) The System shall solicit proposals to provide administrative services and funding vehicles for the Tier 3 plan from insurance and annuity companies and mutual fund companies, banks, trust companies, or other financial institutions authorized to do business in this State. In reviewing the proposals received and approving and contracting with no fewer than 2 and no more than 7 companies, the Board of Trustees of the System shall consider, among other things, the following criteria:
- 22 (1) the nature and extent of the benefits that would be provided to the participants;
 - (2) the reasonableness of the benefits in relation to the premium charged;
 - (3) the suitability of the benefits to the needs and

interests of the participating employees and the employer;
(4) the ability of the company to provide benefits
under the contract and the financial stability of the
<pre>company; and</pre>
(5) the efficacy of the contract in the recruitment and
retention of employees.
The System shall periodically review each approved
company. A company may continue to provide administrative
services and funding vehicles for the Tier 3 plan only so long
as it continues to be an approved company under contract with
the Board.
(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, no
person shall begin participating in the Tier 3 plan until it
has attained qualified plan status and received all necessary
approvals from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service.
(e) The System shall report on its progress under this
Section, including the available details of the Tier 3 plan and
the System's plans for informing eligible Tier 1 and Tier 2
participants about the plan, to the Governor and the General
Assembly on or before January 15, 2018.
(f) The Illinois State Board of Investment shall be the
plan sponsor for the Tier 3 plan established under this
Section.
(40 ILCS 5/18-124) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 18-124)

Sec. 18-124. Retirement annuities - conditions for

1 eligibility.

(a) This subsection (a) applies to a <u>Tier 1</u> participant who first serves as a judge before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly.

A participant whose employment as a judge is terminated, regardless of age or cause is entitled to a retirement annuity beginning on the date specified in a written application subject to the following:

- (1) the date the annuity begins is subsequent to the date of final termination of employment, or the date 30 days prior to the receipt of the application by the board for annuities based on disability, or one year before the receipt of the application by the board for annuities based on attained age;
- (2) the participant is at least age 55, or has become permanently disabled and as a consequence is unable to perform the duties of his or her office;
- (3) the participant has at least 10 years of service credit except that a participant terminating service after June 30 1975, with at least 6 years of service credit, shall be entitled to a retirement annuity at age 62 or over;
- (4) the participant is not receiving or entitled to receive, at the date of retirement, any salary from an employer for service currently performed.
- (b) This subsection (b) applies to a Tier 2 participant who

- first serves as a judge on or after the effective date of this

 amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly.
- A participant who has at least 8 years of creditable service is entitled to a retirement annuity when he or she has attained age 67.
- A member who has attained age 62 and has at least 8 years of service credit may elect to receive the lower retirement annuity provided in subsection (d) of Section 18-125 of this Code.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 96-889, eff. 1-1-11.)
- 11 (40 ILCS 5/18-125) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 18-125)
- 12 Sec. 18-125. Retirement annuity amount.
- 13 (a) The annual retirement annuity for a participant who
 14 terminated service as a judge prior to July 1, 1971 shall be
 15 based on the law in effect at the time of termination of
 16 service.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (b-5), effective July
 1, 1971, the retirement annuity for any participant in service
 on or after such date shall be 3 1/2% of final average salary,
 as defined in this Section, for each of the first 10 years of
 service, and 5% of such final average salary for each year of
 service in on excess of 10.
- For purposes of this Section, final average salary for a

 Tier 1 participant who first serves as a judge before August

 10, 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 96-207) shall be:

- (1) the average salary for the last 4 years of credited service as a judge for a participant who terminates service before July 1, 1975.
 - (2) for a participant who terminates service after June 30, 1975 and before July 1, 1982, the salary on the last day of employment as a judge.
 - (3) for any participant who terminates service after June 30, 1982 and before January 1, 1990, the average salary for the final year of service as a judge.
 - (4) for a participant who terminates service on or after January 1, 1990 but before <u>July 14, 1995</u> (the effective date of <u>Public Act 89-136</u>) this amendatory Act of <u>1995</u>, the salary on the last day of employment as a judge.
 - (5) for a participant who terminates service on or after <u>July 14</u>, <u>1995</u> (the effective date of <u>Public Act 89-136</u>) this amendatory Act of 1995, the salary on the last day of employment as a judge, or the highest salary received by the participant for employment as a judge in a position held by the participant for at least 4 consecutive years, whichever is greater.

However, in the case of a participant who elects to discontinue contributions as provided in subdivision (a)(2) of Section 18-133, the time of such election shall be considered the last day of employment in the determination of final average salary under this subsection.

For a <u>Tier 1</u> participant who first serves as a judge on or

after August 10, 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 96-207) and before January 1, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96-889), final average salary shall be the average monthly salary obtained by dividing the total salary of the participant during the period of: (1) the 48 consecutive months of service within the last 120 months of service in which the total compensation was the highest, or (2) the total period of service, if less than 48 months, by the number of months of service in that period.

The maximum retirement annuity for any participant shall be 85% of final average salary.

(b-5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, for a <u>Tier 2</u> participant who first serves as a judge on or <u>after January 1, 2011</u> (the effective date of <u>Public Act 96-889</u>), the annual retirement annuity is 3% of the participant's final average salary for each year of service. The maximum retirement annuity payable shall be 60% of the participant's final average salary.

For a <u>Tier 2</u> participant who first serves as a judge on or after January 1, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96-889), final average salary shall be the average monthly salary obtained by dividing the total salary of the judge 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; however, beginning January 1, 2011, the annual salary may not exceed

\$106,800, except that that amount shall annually thereafter be increased by the lesser of (i) 3% of that amount, including all previous adjustments, or (ii) 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. "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 Board by November 1st of each year.

(c) The retirement annuity for a participant who retires prior to age 60 with less than 28 years of service in the System shall be reduced 1/2 of 1% for each month that the participant's age is under 60 years at the time the annuity commences. However, for a participant who retires on or after December 10, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-653) this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly, the percentage reduction in retirement annuity imposed under this subsection shall be reduced by 5/12 of 1% for every month of service in this System in excess of 20 years, and therefore a participant with at least 26 years of service in this System may retire at age 55 without any reduction in annuity.

The reduction in retirement annuity imposed by this

- subsection shall not apply in the case of retirement on account of disability.
- 3 (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article,
- 4 for a Tier 2 participant who first serves as a judge on or
- 5 after January 1, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96 889)
- 6 and who is retiring after attaining age 62, the retirement
- 7 annuity shall be reduced by 1/2 of 1% for each month that the
- 8 participant's age is under age 67 at the time the annuity
- 9 commences.
- 10 (Source: P.A. 96-207, eff. 8-10-09; 96-889, eff. 1-1-11;
- 11 96-1000, eff. 7-2-10; 96-1490, eff. 1-1-11; revised 9-9-16.)
- 12 (40 ILCS 5/18-125.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 18-125.1)
- Sec. 18-125.1. Automatic increase in retirement annuity. A
- 14 participant who retires from service after June 30, 1969,
- shall, in January of the year next following the year in which
- the first anniversary of retirement occurs, and in January of
- each year thereafter, have the amount of his or her originally
- 18 granted retirement annuity increased as follows: for each year
- up to and including 1971, 1 1/2%; for each year from 1972
- through 1979 inclusive, 2%; and for 1980 and each year
- thereafter, 3%.
- Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, a
- 23 retirement annuity for a Tier 2 participant who first serves as
- 24 a judge on or after January 1, 2011 (the effective date of
- 25 Public Act 96 889) shall be increased in January of the year

next following the year in which the first anniversary of retirement occurs, but in no event prior to age 67, and in January of each year thereafter, by an amount equal to 3% or the annual percentage increase in the consumer price index-u as determined by the Public Pension Division of the Department of Insurance under subsection (b-5) of Section 18-125, whichever is less, of the retirement annuity then being paid.

This Section is not applicable to a participant who retires before he or she has made contributions at the rate prescribed in Section 18-133 for automatic increases for not less than the equivalent of one full year, unless such a participant arranges to pay the system the amount required to bring the total contributions for the automatic increase to the equivalent of one year's contribution based upon his or her last year's salary.

This Section is applicable to all participants (other than Tier 3 participants who do not have any service credit as a Tier 1 or Tier 2 participant) in service after June 30, 1969 unless a participant has elected, prior to September 1, 1969, in a written direction filed with the board not to be subject to the provisions of this Section. Any participant in service on or after July 1, 1992 shall have the option of electing prior to April 1, 1993, in a written direction filed with the board, to be covered by the provisions of the 1969 amendatory Act. Such participant shall be required to make the aforesaid additional contributions with compound interest at 4% per

- 1 annum.
- 2 Any participant who has become eligible to receive the
- 3 maximum rate of annuity and who resumes service as a judge
- 4 after receiving a retirement annuity under this Article shall
- 5 have the amount of his or her retirement annuity increased by
- 6 3% of the originally granted annuity amount for each year of
- 7 such resumed service, beginning in January of the year next
- 8 following the date of such resumed service, upon subsequent
- 9 termination of such resumed service.
- 10 Beginning January 1, 1990, all automatic annual increases
- 11 payable under this Section shall be calculated as a percentage
- of the total annuity payable at the time of the increase,
- including previous increases granted under this Article.
- 14 (Source: P.A. 96-889, eff. 1-1-11; 96-1490, eff. 1-1-11.)
- 15 (40 ILCS 5/18-127) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 18-127)
- 16 Sec. 18-127. Retirement annuity suspension on
- 17 reemployment.
- 18 (a) A participant receiving a retirement annuity who is
- 19 regularly employed for compensation by an employer other than a
- 20 county, in any capacity, shall have his or her retirement
- 21 annuity payments suspended during such employment. Upon
- termination of such employment, retirement annuity payments at
- 23 the previous rate shall be resumed.
- If such a participant resumes service as a judge, he or she
- 25 shall receive credit for any additional service. Upon

subsequent retirement, his or her retirement annuity shall be the amount previously granted, plus the amount earned by the additional judicial service under the provisions in effect during the period of such additional service. However, if the participant was receiving the maximum rate of annuity at the time of re-employment, he or she may elect, in a written direction filed with the board, not to receive any additional service credit during the period of re-employment. In such case, contributions shall not be required during the period of re-employment. Any such election shall be irrevocable.

- (b) Beginning January 1, 1991, any participant receiving a retirement annuity who accepts temporary employment from an employer other than a county for a period not exceeding 75 working days in any calendar year shall not be deemed to be regularly employed for compensation or to have resumed service as a judge for the purposes of this Article. A day shall be considered a working day if the annuitant performs on it any of his duties under the temporary employment agreement.
- (c) Except as provided in subsection (a), beginning January 1, 1993, retirement annuities shall not be subject to suspension upon resumption of employment for an employer, and any retirement annuity that is then so suspended shall be reinstated on that date.
- (d) The changes made in this Section by this amendatory Act of 1993 shall apply to judges no longer in service on its effective date, as well as to judges serving on or after that

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- (e) A participant receiving a retirement annuity under this Article who serves as a part-time employee in any of the following positions: Legislative Inspector General, Special Legislative Inspector General, employee of the Office of the Legislative Inspector General, Executive Director of Legislative Ethics Commission, or staff of the Legislative Ethics Commission, but has not elected to participate in the Article 14 System with respect to that service, shall not be deemed to be regularly employed for compensation by an employer other than a county, nor to have resumed service as a judge, on the basis of that service, and the retirement annuity payments and other benefits of that person under this Code shall not be suspended, diminished, or otherwise impaired solely as a consequence of that service. This subsection (e) applies without regard to whether the person is in service as a judge under this Article on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly. In subsection, a "part-time employee" is a person who is not required to work at least 35 hours per week.
 - (f) A participant receiving a retirement annuity under this Article who has made an election under Section 1-123 and who is serving either as legal counsel in the Office of the Governor or as Chief Deputy Attorney General shall not be deemed to be regularly employed for compensation by an employer other than a county, nor to have resumed service as a judge, on the basis of

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- that service, and the retirement annuity payments and other benefits of that person under this Code shall not be suspended, diminished, or otherwise impaired solely as a consequence of that service. This subsection (f) applies without regard to whether the person is in service as a judge under this Article on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.
 - (g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, if a Tier 2 participant person who first becomes a participant under this System on or after January 1, 2011 (the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 96th General Assembly) is receiving a retirement annuity under this Article and becomes a member or participant under this Article or any other Article of this Code and is employed on a full-time basis, then the person's retirement annuity under this System shall be suspended during that employment. Upon termination of that employment, the person's retirement annuity shall resume and, if appropriate, be recalculated under the applicable provisions of this Article.
- 20 (Source: P.A. 96-889, eff. 1-1-11; 96-1490, eff. 1-1-11.)
- 21 (40 ILCS 5/18-128.01) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 18-128.01)
- Sec. 18-128.01. Amount of survivor's annuity.
- 23 (a) Upon the death of an annuitant, his or her surviving 24 spouse shall be entitled to a survivor's annuity of 66 2/3% of 25 the annuity the annuitant was receiving immediately prior to

- his or her death, inclusive of annual increases in the retirement annuity to the date of death.
 - (b) Upon the death of an active participant, his or her surviving spouse shall receive a survivor's annuity of 66 2/3% of the annuity earned by the participant as of the date of his or her death, determined without regard to whether the participant had attained age 60 as of that time, or 7 1/2% of the last salary of the decedent, whichever is greater.
 - (c) Upon the death of a participant who had terminated service with at least 10 years of service, his or her surviving spouse shall be entitled to a survivor's annuity of 66 2/3% of the annuity earned by the deceased participant at the date of death.
 - (d) Upon the death of an annuitant, active participant, or participant who had terminated service with at least 10 years of service, each surviving child under the age of 18 or disabled as defined in Section 18-128 shall be entitled to a child's annuity in an amount equal to 5% of the decedent's final salary, not to exceed in total for all such children the greater of 20% of the decedent's last salary or 66 2/3% of the annuity received or earned by the decedent as provided under subsections (a) and (b) of this Section. This child's annuity shall be paid whether or not a survivor's annuity was elected under Section 18-123.
 - (e) The changes made in the survivor's annuity provisions by Public Act 82-306 shall apply to the survivors of a deceased

- participant or annuitant whose death occurs on or after August 21, 1981.
 - (f) Beginning January 1, 1990, every survivor's annuity shall be increased (1) on each January 1 occurring on or after the commencement of the annuity if the deceased member died while receiving a retirement annuity, or (2) in other cases, on each January 1 occurring on or after the first anniversary of the commencement of the annuity, by an amount equal to 3% of the current amount of the annuity, including any previous increases under this Article. Such increases shall apply without regard to whether the deceased member was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1991, but shall not accrue for any period prior to January 1, 1990.
 - (g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the initial survivor's annuity for a survivor of a <u>Tier 2</u> participant who first serves as a judge after January 1, 2011 (the effective date of Public Act 96 889) shall be in the amount of 66 2/3% of the annuity received or earned by the decedent, and shall be increased (1) on each January 1 occurring on or after the commencement of the annuity if the deceased participant died while receiving a retirement annuity, or (2) in other cases, on each January 1 occurring on or after the first anniversary of the commencement of the annuity, but in no event prior to age 67, by an amount equal to 3% or the annual unadjusted percentage increase in the consumer price index-u as determined by the Public Pension Division of

- the Department of Insurance under subsection (b-5) of Section 1
- 2 18-125, whichever is less, of the survivor's annuity then being
- 3 paid.

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- (Source: P.A. 96-889, eff. 1-1-11; 96-1490, eff. 1-1-11.) 4
- 5 (40 ILCS 5/18-133) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 18-133)
- 6 Sec. 18-133. Financing; employee contributions.
- (a) Effective July 1, 1967, each participant is required to contribute 7 1/2% of each payment of salary toward the retirement annuity. Such contributions shall continue during the entire time the participant is in service, with the 11 following exceptions:
 - (1) Contributions for the retirement annuity are not required on salary received after 18 years of service by persons who were participants before January 2, 1954.
 - (2) A participant who continues to serve as a judge after becoming eligible to receive the maximum rate of annuity may elect, through a written direction filed with the Board, to discontinue contributing to the System. Any such option elected by a judge shall be irrevocable unless prior to January 1, 2000, and while continuing to serve as judge, the judge (A) files with the Board a letter cancelling the direction to discontinue contributing to the System and requesting that such contributing resume, and (B) pays into the System an amount equal to the total of the discontinued contributions plus interest thereon at

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5% per annum. Service credits earned in any other "participating system" as defined in Article 20 of this Code shall be considered for purposes of determining a judge's eligibility to discontinue contributions under this subdivision (a) (2).

(3) A participant who (i) has attained age 60, (ii) continues to serve as a judge after becoming eligible to receive the maximum rate of annuity, and (iii) has not elected to discontinue contributing to the System under subdivision (a) (2) of this Section (or has revoked any such election) may elect, through a written direction filed with the Board, to make contributions to the System based only on the amount of the increases in salary received by the judge on or after the date of the election, rather than the salary received. If a judge who is contributions to the System on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly makes an election to limit contributions under this subdivision (a)(3) within 90 days after that effective date, the election shall be deemed to become effective on that effective date and the judge shall be entitled to receive a refund of any excess contributions paid to the System during that 90-day period; any other election under this subdivision (a)(3) becomes effective on the first of the month following the date of the election. An election to limit contributions under this subdivision (a)(3)

- irrevocable. Service credits earned in any other
 participating system as defined in Article 20 of this Code
 shall be considered for purposes of determining a judge's
 eligibility to make an election under this subdivision

 (a) (3).
 - (b) Beginning July 1, 1969, each participant is required to contribute 1% of each payment of salary towards the automatic increase in annuity provided in Section 18-125.1. However, such contributions need not be made by any participant who has elected prior to September 15, 1969, not to be subject to the automatic increase in annuity provisions.
 - (c) Effective July 13, 1953, each married participant subject to the survivor's annuity provisions is required to contribute 2 1/2% of each payment of salary, whether or not he or she is required to make any other contributions under this Section. Such contributions shall be made concurrently with the contributions made for annuity purposes.
 - (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, the required contributions for a <u>Tier 2</u> participant who first becomes a participant on or after January 1, 2011 shall not exceed the contributions that would be due under this Article if that participant's highest salary for annuity purposes were \$106,800, plus any increase in that amount under Section 18-125.
- 25 (Source: P.A. 96-1490, eff. 1-1-11.)

- 1 (40 ILCS 5/18-169)
- Sec. 18-169. Application and expiration of new benefit
- 3 increases.
- 4 (a) As used in this Section, "new benefit increase" means
- 5 an increase in the amount of any benefit provided under this
- 6 Article, or an expansion of the conditions of eligibility for
- 7 any benefit under this Article, that results from an amendment
- 8 to this Code that takes effect after the effective date of this
- 9 amendatory Act of the 94th General Assembly. "New benefit
- 10 increase", however, does not include any benefit increase
- 11 resulting from the changes made by this amendatory Act of the
- 12 100th General Assembly.
- 13 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code or any
- 14 subsequent amendment to this Code, every new benefit increase
- is subject to this Section and shall be deemed to be granted
- only in conformance with and contingent upon compliance with
- 17 the provisions of this Section.
- 18 (c) The Public Act enacting a new benefit increase must
- 19 identify and provide for payment to the System of additional
- 20 funding at least sufficient to fund the resulting annual
- increase in cost to the System as it accrues.
- 22 Every new benefit increase is contingent upon the General
- 23 Assembly providing the additional funding required under this
- 24 subsection. The Commission on Government Forecasting and
- 25 Accountability shall analyze whether adequate additional
- 26 funding has been provided for the new benefit increase and

shall report its analysis to the Public Pension Division of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation. A new benefit increase created by a Public Act that does not include the additional funding required under this subsection is null and void. If the Public Pension Division determines that the additional funding provided for a new benefit increase under this subsection is or has become inadequate, it may so certify to the Governor and the State Comptroller and, in the absence of corrective action by the General Assembly, the new benefit increase shall expire at the end of the fiscal year in which the certification is made.

- (d) Every new benefit increase shall expire 5 years after its effective date or on such earlier date as may be specified in the language enacting the new benefit increase or provided under subsection (c). This does not prevent the General Assembly from extending or re-creating a new benefit increase by law.
- (e) Except as otherwise provided in the language creating the new benefit increase, a new benefit increase that expires under this Section continues to apply to persons who applied and qualified for the affected benefit while the new benefit increase was in effect and to the affected beneficiaries and alternate payees of such persons, but does not apply to any other person, including without limitation a person who continues in service after the expiration date and did not apply and qualify for the affected benefit while the new

- benefit increase was in effect.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 94-4, eff. 6-1-05.)
- 3 (40 ILCS 5/20-121) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 20-121)
- 4 (Text of Section WITHOUT the changes made by P.A. 98-599,
- 5 which has been held unconstitutional)
- 6 Sec. 20-121. Calculation of proportional retirement
- 7 annuities.
- 8 (a) Upon retirement of the employee, a proportional 9 retirement annuity shall be computed by each participating 10 system in which pension credit has been established on the 11 basis of pension credits under each system. The computation 12 shall be in accordance with the formula or method prescribed by 1.3 each participating system which is in effect at the date of the 14 employee's latest withdrawal from service covered by any of the 15 systems in which he has pension credits which he elects to have 16 considered under this Article. However, the amount of any retirement annuity payable under the self-managed plan 17 established under Section 15-158.2 of this Code depends solely 18 19 on the value of the participant's vested account balances and is not subject to any proportional adjustment under this 20 21 Section.
- 22 (a-5) For persons who participate in a Tier 3 plan
 23 established under Article 2, 14, 15, 16, or 18 of this Code to
 24 whom the provisions of this Article apply, the pension credits
 25 established under the Tier 3 plan may be considered in

- determining eligibility for or the amount of the defined
 benefit retirement annuity that is payable by any other
 participating system.
 - (b) Combined pension credit under all retirement systems subject to this Article shall be considered in determining whether the minimum qualification has been met and the formula or method of computation which shall be applied, except as may be otherwise provided with respect to vesting in State or employer contributions in a Tier 3 plan. If a system has a step-rate formula for calculation of the retirement annuity, pension credits covering previous service which have been established under another system shall be considered in determining which range or ranges of the step-rate formula are to be applicable to the employee.
 - (c) Interest on pension credit shall continue to accumulate in accordance with the provisions of the law governing the retirement system in which the same has been established during the time an employee is in the service of another employer, on the assumption such employee, for interest purposes for pension credit, is continuing in the service covered by such retirement system.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 91-887, eff. 7-6-00.)
- 23 (40 ILCS 5/20-123) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 20-123)
- 24 (Text of Section WITHOUT the changes made by P.A. 98-599,
- which has been held unconstitutional)

Sec. 20-123. Survivor's annuity. The provisions governing a retirement annuity shall be applicable to a survivor's annuity. Appropriate credits shall be established for survivor's annuity purposes in those participating systems which provide survivor's annuities, according to the same conditions and subject to the same limitations and restrictions herein prescribed for a retirement annuity. If a participating system has no survivor's annuity benefit, or if the survivor's annuity benefit under that system is waived, pension credit established in that system shall not be considered in determining eligibility for or the amount of the survivor's annuity which may be payable by any other participating system.

For persons who participate in the self-managed plan established under Section 15-158.2 or the portable benefit package established under Section 15-136.4, pension credit established under Article 15 may be considered in determining eligibility for or the amount of the survivor's annuity that is payable by any other participating system, but pension credit established in any other system shall not result in any right to a survivor's annuity under the Article 15 system.

For persons who participate in a Tier 3 plan established under Article 2, 14, 15, 16, or 18 of this Code to whom the provisions of this Article apply, the pension credits established under the Tier 3 plan may be considered in determining eligibility for or the amount of the defined benefit survivor's annuity that is payable by any other

- 1 participating system, but pension credits established in any
- 2 other system shall not result in any right to or increase in
- 3 the value of a survivor's annuity under the Tier 3 plan, which
- 4 depends solely on the options chosen and the value of the
- 5 participant's vested account balances and is not subject to any
- 6 proportional adjustment under this Section.
- 7 (Source: P.A. 91-887, eff. 7-6-00.)
- 8 (40 ILCS 5/20-124) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 20-124)
- 9 (Text of Section WITHOUT the changes made by P.A. 98-599,
- which has been held unconstitutional)
- 11 Sec. 20-124. Maximum benefits.
- 12 (a) In no event shall the combined retirement or survivors
- annuities exceed the highest annuity which would have been
- 14 payable by any participating system in which the employee has
- 15 pension credits, if all of his pension credits had been
- 16 validated in that system.
- 17 If the combined annuities should exceed the highest maximum
- as determined in accordance with this Section, the respective
- 19 annuities shall be reduced proportionately according to the
- 20 ratio which the amount of each proportional annuity bears to
- 21 the aggregate of all such annuities.
- 22 (b) In the case of a participant in the self-managed plan
- established under Section 15-158.2 of this Code to whom the
- 24 provisions of this Article apply:
- 25 (i) For purposes of calculating the combined

retirement annuity and the proportionate reduction, if any, in a retirement annuity other than one payable under the self-managed plan, the amount of the Article 15 retirement annuity shall be deemed to be the highest annuity to which the annuitant would have been entitled if he or she had participated in the traditional benefit package as defined in Section 15-103.1 rather than the self-managed plan.

- (ii) For purposes of calculating the combined survivor's annuity and the proportionate reduction, if any, in a survivor's annuity other than one payable under the self-managed plan, the amount of the Article 15 survivor's annuity shall be deemed to be the highest survivor's annuity to which the survivor would have been entitled if the deceased employee had participated in the traditional benefit package as defined in Section 15-103.1 rather than the self-managed plan.
- (iii) Benefits payable under the self-managed plan are not subject to proportionate reduction under this Section.
- (c) In the case of a participant in a Tier 3 plan established under Article 2, 14, 15, 16, or 18 of this Code to whom the provisions of this Article apply:
 - (i) For purposes of calculating the combined retirement annuity and the proportionate reduction, if any, in a defined benefit retirement annuity, any benefit payable under the Tier 3 plan shall not be considered.

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1 For purposes of calculating the combined 2 survivor's annuity and the proportionate reduction, if 3 any, in a defined benefit survivor's annuity, any benefit payable under the Tier 3 plan shall not be considered. 4 5 (iii) Benefits payable under a Tier 3 plan established under Article 2, 14, 15, 16, or 18 of this Code are not 6 7 subject to proportionate reduction under this Section. (Source: P.A. 91-887, eff. 7-6-00.) 8

9 (40 ILCS 5/20-125) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 20-125)

10 (Text of Section WITHOUT the changes made by P.A. 98-599, which has been held unconstitutional)

Sec. 20-125. Return to employment - suspension of benefits. If a retired employee returns to employment which is covered by a system from which he is receiving a proportional annuity under this Article, his proportional annuity from all participating systems shall be suspended during the period of re-employment, except that this suspension does not apply to any distributions payable under the self-managed plan established under Section 15-158.2 of this Code or under a Tier 3 plan established under Article 2, 14, 15, 16, or 18 of this Code.

The provisions of the Article under which such employment would be covered shall govern the determination of whether the employee has returned to employment, and if applicable the exemption of temporary employment or employment not exceeding a

- 1 specified duration or frequency, for all participating systems
- 2 from which the retired employee is receiving a proportional
- 3 annuity under this Article, notwithstanding any contrary
- 4 provisions in the other Articles governing such systems.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 91-887, eff. 7-6-00.)
- 6 (40 ILCS 5/2-165 rep.)
- 7 (40 ILCS 5/2-166 rep.)
- 8 (40 ILCS 5/14-155 rep.)
- 9 (40 ILCS 5/14-156 rep.)
- 10 (40 ILCS 5/15-200 rep.)
- 11 (40 ILCS 5/15-201 rep.)
- 12 (40 ILCS 5/16-205 rep.)
- 13 (40 ILCS 5/16-206 rep.)
- 14 Section 30. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by
- 15 repealing Sections 2-165, 2-166, 14-155, 14-156, 15-200,
- 16 15-201, 16-205, and 16-206.
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