101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HB1567

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Amends the Illinois Pension Code. Merges all Article 3 police officers' pension funds and Article 4 firefighters' pension funds into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) on January 1, 2021. Creates a Transition Board, which is responsible for planning, overseeing, and administering the consolidation. Authorizes the Transition Board to undertake numerous activities necessary for the consolidation, including making arrangements for the transfer of assets and liabilities and for making recommendations to IMRF for an appropriate system of determining, administering, receiving, and enforcing the required municipal contributions to the Fund. Makes conforming and other changes. Amends the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL) of the Property Tax Code to exclude from the definition of "aggregate extension" special purpose extensions made for contributions to IMRF for benefits under the Downstate Police and Downstate Firefighter Articles. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately, except that certain changes to the Illinois Pension Code and the Property Tax Code take effect January 1, 2021.

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AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Property Tax Code is amended by changing
Section 18-185 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 200/18-185)

Sec. 18-185. Short title; definitions. This Division 5 may
be cited as the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law. As used
in this Division 5:

10 "Consumer Price Index" means the Consumer Price Index for 11 All Urban Consumers for all items published by the United 12 States Department of Labor.

"Extension limitation" means (a) the lesser of 5% or the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index during the 12-month calendar year preceding the levy year or (b) the rate of increase approved by voters under Section 18-205.

17 "Affected county" means a county of 3,000,000 or more 18 inhabitants or a county contiguous to a county of 3,000,000 or 19 more inhabitants.

20 "Taxing district" has the same meaning provided in Section 21 1-150, except as otherwise provided in this Section. For the 22 1991 through 1994 levy years only, "taxing district" includes 23 only each non-home rule taxing district having the majority of - 2 - LRB101 06695 RPS 51722 b

its 1990 equalized assessed value within any county or counties 1 2 contiguous to a county with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants. Beginning with the 1995 levy year, "taxing district" includes 3 only each non-home rule taxing district subject to this Law 4 5 before the 1995 levy year and each non-home rule taxing district not subject to this Law before the 1995 levy year 6 7 having the majority of its 1994 equalized assessed value in an 8 affected county or counties. Beginning with the levy year in 9 which this Law becomes applicable to a taxing district as provided in Section 18-213, "taxing district" also includes 10 11 those taxing districts made subject to this Law as provided in 12 Section 18-213.

13 "Aggregate extension" for taxing districts to which this Law applied before the 1995 levy year means the annual 14 15 corporate extension for the taxing district and those special 16 purpose extensions that are made annually for the taxing 17 district, excluding special purpose extensions: (a) made for the taxing district to pay interest or principal on general 18 obligation bonds that were approved by referendum; (b) made for 19 20 any taxing district to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds issued before October 1, 1991; (c) made for 21 22 any taxing district to pay interest or principal on bonds 23 issued to refund or continue to refund those bonds issued before October 1, 1991; (d) made for any taxing district to pay 24 25 interest or principal on bonds issued to refund or continue to refund bonds issued after October 1, 1991 that were approved by 26

referendum; (e) made for any taxing district to pay interest or 1 2 principal on revenue bonds issued before October 1, 1991 for 3 payment of which a property tax levy or the full faith and credit of the unit of local government is pledged; however, a 4 5 tax for the payment of interest or principal on those bonds shall be made only after the governing body of the unit of 6 7 local government finds that all other sources for payment are 8 insufficient to make those payments; (f) made for payments 9 under a building commission lease when the lease payments are 10 for the retirement of bonds issued by the commission before 11 October 1, 1991, to pay for the building project; (g) made for 12 payments due under installment contracts entered into before 13 October 1, 1991; (h) made for payments of principal and 14 interest on bonds issued under the Metropolitan Water 15 Reclamation District Act to finance construction projects initiated before October 1, 1991; (i) made for payments of 16 17 principal and interest on limited bonds, as defined in Section 3 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act, in an amount not to 18 exceed the debt service extension base less the amount in items 19 20 (b), (c), (e), and (h) of this definition for non-referendum 21 obligations, except obligations initially issued pursuant to 22 referendum; (j) made for payments of principal and interest on 23 bonds issued under Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act; (k) made by a school district that participates in 24 25 the Special Education District of Lake County, created by 26 special education joint agreement under Section 10-22.31 of the

School Code, for payment of the school district's share of the 1 2 amounts required to be contributed by the Special Education District of Lake County to the Illinois Municipal Retirement 3 Fund under Article 7 of the Illinois Pension Code; the amount 4 5 of any extension under this item (k) shall be certified by the school district to the county clerk; (1) made to fund expenses 6 7 of providing joint recreational programs for persons with disabilities under Section 5-8 of the Park District Code or 8 9 Section 11-95-14 of the Illinois Municipal Code; (m) made for 10 temporary relocation loan repayment purposes pursuant to 11 Sections 2-3.77 and 17-2.2d of the School Code; (n) made for 12 payment of principal and interest on any bonds issued under the 13 authority of Section 17-2.2d of the School Code; (o) made 14 before January 1, 2021 for contributions to a firefighter's pension fund created under Article 4 of the Illinois Pension 15 16 Code, to the extent of the amount certified under item (5) of 17 Section 4-134 of the Illinois Pension Code; and (p) made for road purposes in the first year after a township assumes the 18 19 rights, powers, duties, assets, property, liabilities, 20 obligations, and responsibilities of a road district abolished under the provisions of Section 6-133 of the Illinois Highway 21 22 Code; and (q) made under Articles 3 and 4 of the Illinois 23 Pension Code for contributions to the Illinois Municipal 24 Retirement Fund.

25 "Aggregate extension" for the taxing districts to which 26 this Law did not apply before the 1995 levy year (except taxing

districts subject to this Law in accordance with Section 1 2 18-213) means the annual corporate extension for the taxing district and those special purpose extensions that are made 3 annually for the taxing district, excluding special purpose 4 5 extensions: (a) made for the taxing district to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds that were approved by 6 referendum; (b) made for any taxing district to pay interest or 7 8 principal on general obligation bonds issued before March 1, 9 1995; (c) made for any taxing district to pay interest or 10 principal on bonds issued to refund or continue to refund those 11 bonds issued before March 1, 1995; (d) made for any taxing 12 district to pay interest or principal on bonds issued to refund 13 or continue to refund bonds issued after March 1, 1995 that were approved by referendum; (e) made for any taxing district 14 15 to pay interest or principal on revenue bonds issued before 16 March 1, 1995 for payment of which a property tax levy or the 17 full faith and credit of the unit of local government is pledged; however, a tax for the payment of interest or 18 principal on those bonds shall be made only after the governing 19 20 body of the unit of local government finds that all other sources for payment are insufficient to make those payments; 21 22 (f) made for payments under a building commission lease when 23 the lease payments are for the retirement of bonds issued by the commission before March 1, 1995 to pay for the building 24 25 project; (g) made for payments due under installment contracts entered into before March 1, 1995; (h) made for payments of 26

principal and interest on bonds issued under the Metropolitan 1 2 Water Reclamation District Act to finance construction projects initiated before October 1, 1991; (h-4) made for 3 stormwater management purposes by the Metropolitan Water 4 5 Reclamation District of Greater Chicago under Section 12 of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Act; (i) made for 6 7 payments of principal and interest on limited bonds, as defined in Section 3 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act, in an 8 9 amount not to exceed the debt service extension base less the 10 amount in items (b), (c), and (e) of this definition for 11 non-referendum obligations, except obligations initially 12 issued pursuant to referendum and bonds described in subsection 13 (h) of this definition; (j) made for payments of principal and interest on bonds issued under Section 15 of the Local 14 15 Government Debt Reform Act; (k) made for payments of principal 16 and interest on bonds authorized by Public Act 88-503 and 17 issued under Section 20a of the Chicago Park District Act for aquarium or museum projects; (1) made for payments of principal 18 and interest on bonds authorized by Public Act 87-1191 or 19 20 93-601 and (i) issued pursuant to Section 21.2 of the Cook County Forest Preserve District Act, (ii) issued under Section 21 22 42 of the Cook County Forest Preserve District Act for 23 zoological park projects, or (iii) issued under Section 44.1 of the Cook County Forest Preserve District Act for botanical 24 25 gardens projects; (m) made pursuant to Section 34-53.5 of the 26 School Code, whether levied annually or not; (n) made to fund

expenses of providing joint recreational programs for persons 1 2 with disabilities under Section 5-8 of the Park District Code or Section 11-95-14 of the Illinois Municipal Code; (o) made by 3 the Chicago Park District for recreational programs for persons 4 5 with disabilities under subsection (c) of Section 7.06 of the 6 Chicago Park District Act; (p) made before January 1, 2021 for 7 contributions to a firefighter's pension fund created under Article 4 of the Illinois Pension Code, to the extent of the 8 amount certified under item (5) of Section 4-134 of the 9 10 Illinois Pension Code; (q) made by Ford Heights School District 11 169 under Section 17-9.02 of the School Code; and (r) made for 12 the purpose of making employer contributions to the Public 13 School Teachers' Pension and Retirement Fund of Chicago under Section 34-53 of the School Code; and (s) made under Articles 3 14 and 4 of the Illinois Pension Code for contributions to the 15 16 Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.

17 "Aggregate extension" for all taxing districts to which this Law applies in accordance with Section 18-213, except for 18 those taxing districts subject to paragraph (2) of subsection 19 20 (e) of Section 18-213, means the annual corporate extension for the taxing district and those special purpose extensions that 21 22 are made annually for the taxing district, excluding special 23 purpose extensions: (a) made for the taxing district to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds that were 24 25 approved by referendum; (b) made for any taxing district to pay 26 interest or principal on general obligation bonds issued before

the date on which the referendum making this Law applicable to 1 2 the taxing district is held; (c) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on bonds issued to refund or 3 continue to refund those bonds issued before the date on which 4 5 the referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing 6 district is held; (d) made for any taxing district to pay 7 interest or principal on bonds issued to refund or continue to refund bonds issued after the date on which the referendum 8 9 making this Law applicable to the taxing district is held if 10 the bonds were approved by referendum after the date on which 11 the referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing 12 district is held; (e) made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on revenue bonds issued before the date 13 on which the referendum making this Law applicable to the 14 15 taxing district is held for payment of which a property tax 16 levy or the full faith and credit of the unit of local 17 government is pledged; however, a tax for the payment of interest or principal on those bonds shall be made only after 18 19 the governing body of the unit of local government finds that 20 all other sources for payment are insufficient to make those 21 payments; (f) made for payments under a building commission 22 lease when the lease payments are for the retirement of bonds 23 issued by the commission before the date on which the 24 referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing district is 25 held to pay for the building project; (g) made for payments due 26 under installment contracts entered into before the date on

which the referendum making this Law applicable to the taxing 1 2 district is held; (h) made for payments of principal and 3 interest on limited bonds, as defined in Section 3 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act, in an amount not to exceed the debt 4 5 service extension base less the amount in items (b), (c), and (e) of this definition for non-referendum obligations, except 6 obligations initially issued pursuant to referendum; (i) made 7 8 for payments of principal and interest on bonds issued under 9 Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act; (j) made 10 for a qualified airport authority to pay interest or principal 11 on general obligation bonds issued for the purpose of paying 12 obligations due under, or financing airport facilities 13 required to be acquired, constructed, installed or equipped 14 pursuant to, contracts entered into before March 1, 1996 (but 15 not including any amendments to such a contract taking effect 16 on or after that date); (k) made to fund expenses of providing 17 joint recreational programs for persons with disabilities under Section 5-8 of the Park District Code or Section 11-95-14 18 of the Illinois Municipal Code; (1) made before January 1, 2021 19 for contributions to a firefighter's pension fund created under 20 Article 4 of the Illinois Pension Code, to the extent of the 21 22 amount certified under item (5) of Section 4-134 of the 23 Illinois Pension Code; and (m) made for the taxing district to 24 pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds issued 25 pursuant to Section 19-3.10 of the School Code; and (n) made under Articles 3 and 4 of the Illinois Pension Code for 26

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contributions to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.

2 "Aggregate extension" for all taxing districts to which 3 this Law applies in accordance with paragraph (2) of subsection (e) of Section 18-213 means the annual corporate extension for 4 5 the taxing district and those special purpose extensions that are made annually for the taxing district, excluding special 6 purpose extensions: (a) made for the taxing district to pay 7 interest or principal on general obligation bonds that were 8 9 approved by referendum; (b) made for any taxing district to pay 10 interest or principal on general obligation bonds issued before 11 the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997; (c) made for 12 any taxing district to pay interest or principal on bonds 13 issued to refund or continue to refund those bonds issued before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997; (d) 14 15 made for any taxing district to pay interest or principal on 16 bonds issued to refund or continue to refund bonds issued after 17 the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997 if the bonds were approved by referendum after the effective date of this 18 amendatory Act of 1997; (e) made for any taxing district to pay 19 20 interest or principal on revenue bonds issued before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997 for payment of 21 22 which a property tax levy or the full faith and credit of the 23 unit of local government is pledged; however, a tax for the payment of interest or principal on those bonds shall be made 24 only after the governing body of the unit of local government 25 26 finds that all other sources for payment are insufficient to

make those payments; (f) made for payments under a building 1 2 commission lease when the lease payments are for the retirement 3 of bonds issued by the commission before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997 to pay for the building project; 4 5 (g) made for payments due under installment contracts entered into before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997; 6 7 (h) made for payments of principal and interest on limited bonds, as defined in Section 3 of the Local Government Debt 8 9 Reform Act, in an amount not to exceed the debt service 10 extension base less the amount in items (b), (c), and (e) of 11 this definition for non-referendum obligations, except 12 obligations initially issued pursuant to referendum; (i) made for payments of principal and interest on bonds issued under 13 14 Section 15 of the Local Government Debt Reform Act; (j) made 15 for a qualified airport authority to pay interest or principal 16 on general obligation bonds issued for the purpose of paying 17 obligations due under, or financing airport facilities required to be acquired, constructed, installed or equipped 18 pursuant to, contracts entered into before March 1, 1996 (but 19 20 not including any amendments to such a contract taking effect 21 on or after that date); (k) made to fund expenses of providing 22 joint recreational programs for persons with disabilities 23 under Section 5-8 of the Park District Code or Section 11-95-14 24 of the Illinois Municipal Code; and (1) made before January 1, 25 2021 for contributions to a firefighter's pension fund created 26 under Article 4 of the Illinois Pension Code, to the extent of

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5 "Debt service extension base" means an amount equal to that 6 portion of the extension for a taxing district for the 1994 7 levy year, or for those taxing districts subject to this Law in accordance with Section 18-213, except for those subject to 8 9 paragraph (2) of subsection (e) of Section 18-213, for the levy 10 year in which the referendum making this Law applicable to the 11 taxing district is held, or for those taxing districts subject 12 to this Law in accordance with paragraph (2) of subsection (e) of Section 18-213 for the 1996 levy year, constituting an 13 14 extension for payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by the taxing district without referendum, but not including 15 16 excluded non-referendum bonds. For park districts (i) that were 17 first subject to this Law in 1991 or 1995 and (ii) whose extension for the 1994 levy year for the payment of principal 18 and interest on bonds issued by the park district without 19 20 referendum (but not including excluded non-referendum bonds) was less than 51% of the amount for the 1991 levy year 21 22 constituting an extension for payment of principal and interest 23 on bonds issued by the park district without referendum (but not including excluded non-referendum bonds), "debt service 24 25 extension base" means an amount equal to that portion of the 26 extension for the 1991 levy year constituting an extension for

payment of principal and interest on bonds issued by the park 1 2 district without referendum (but not including excluded non-referendum bonds). A debt 3 service extension base established or increased at any time pursuant to any provision 4 5 of this Law, except Section 18-212, shall be increased each year commencing with the later of (i) the 2009 levy year or 6 7 (ii) the first levy year in which this Law becomes applicable 8 to the taxing district, by the lesser of 5% or the percentage 9 increase in the Consumer Price Index during the 12-month 10 calendar year preceding the levy year. The debt service 11 extension base may be established or increased as provided 12 under Section 18-212. "Excluded non-referendum bonds" means 13 (i) bonds authorized by Public Act 88-503 and issued under Section 20a of the Chicago Park District Act for aquarium and 14 museum projects; (ii) bonds issued under Section 15 of the 15 16 Local Government Debt Reform Act; or (iii) refunding 17 obligations issued to refund or to continue to refund obligations initially issued pursuant to referendum. 18

"Special purpose extensions" include, but are not limited 19 20 to, extensions for levies made on an annual basis for 21 unemployment and workers' compensation, self-insurance, 22 contributions to pension plans, and extensions made pursuant to 23 Section 6-601 of the Illinois Highway Code for a road district's permanent road fund whether levied annually or not. 24 25 The extension for a special service area is not included in the 26 aggregate extension.

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"Aggregate extension base" means the taxing district's 1 2 last preceding aggregate extension as adjusted under Sections 18-135, 18-215, 18-230, and 18-206. An adjustment under Section 3 18-135 shall be made for the 2007 levy year and all subsequent 4 5 levy years whenever one or more counties within which a taxing 6 district is located (i) used estimated valuations or rates when extending taxes in the taxing district for the last preceding 7 levy year that resulted in the over or under extension of 8 9 taxes, or (ii) increased or decreased the tax extension for the 10 last preceding levy year as required by Section 18-135(c). 11 Whenever an adjustment is required under Section 18-135, the 12 aggregate extension base of the taxing district shall be equal 13 to the amount that the aggregate extension of the taxing district would have been for the last preceding levy year if 14 15 either or both (i) actual, rather than estimated, valuations or 16 rates had been used to calculate the extension of taxes for the 17 last levy year, or (ii) the tax extension for the last preceding levy year had not been adjusted as required by 18 subsection (c) of Section 18-135. 19

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for levy year 2012, the aggregate extension base for West Northfield School 22 District No. 31 in Cook County shall be \$12,654,592.

23 "Levy year" has the same meaning as "year" under Section 24 1-155.

25 "New property" means (i) the assessed value, after final 26 board of review or board of appeals action, of new improvements

or additions to existing improvements on any parcel of real 1 2 property that increase the assessed value of that real property 3 during the levy year multiplied by the equalization factor issued by the Department under Section 17-30, (ii) the assessed 4 5 value, after final board of review or board of appeals action, of real property not exempt from real estate taxation, which 6 7 real property was exempt from real estate taxation for any 8 portion of the immediately preceding levy year, multiplied by 9 the equalization factor issued by the Department under Section 10 17-30, including the assessed value, upon final stabilization 11 of occupancy after new construction is complete, of any real 12 property located within the boundaries of an otherwise or 13 previously exempt military reservation that is intended for 14 residential use and owned by or leased to a private corporation 15 or other entity, (iii) in counties that classify in accordance 16 with Section 4 of Article IX of the Illinois Constitution, an 17 incentive property's additional assessed value resulting from a scheduled increase in the level of assessment as applied to 18 the first year final board of review market value, and (iv) any 19 20 increase in assessed value due to oil or gas production from an 21 oil or gas well required to be permitted under the Hydraulic 22 Fracturing Regulatory Act that was not produced in or accounted 23 for during the previous levy year. In addition, the county clerk in a county containing a population of 3,000,000 or more 24 25 shall include in the 1997 recovered tax increment value for any 26 school district, any recovered tax increment value that was

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1 applicable to the 1995 tax year calculations.

2 "Qualified airport authority" means an airport authority 3 organized under the Airport Authorities Act and located in a 4 county bordering on the State of Wisconsin and having a 5 population in excess of 200,000 and not greater than 500,000.

6 "Recovered tax increment value" means, except as otherwise 7 provided in this paragraph, the amount of the current year's 8 equalized assessed value, in the first year after а 9 municipality terminates the designation of an area as a 10 redevelopment project area previously established under the 11 Tax Increment Allocation Development Act in the Illinois 12 Municipal Code, previously established under the Industrial 13 Jobs Recovery Law in the Illinois Municipal Code, previously 14 established under the Economic Development Project Area Tax Increment Act of 1995, or previously established under the 15 16 Economic Development Area Tax Increment Allocation Act, of each 17 taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property in the redevelopment project area over and above the initial equalized 18 assessed value of each property in the redevelopment project 19 20 area. For the taxes which are extended for the 1997 levy year, the recovered tax increment value for a non-home rule taxing 21 22 district that first became subject to this Law for the 1995 23 levy year because a majority of its 1994 equalized assessed value was in an affected county or counties shall be increased 24 25 if a municipality terminated the designation of an area in 1993 26 as a redevelopment project area previously established under

the Tax Increment Allocation Development Act in the Illinois 1 2 Municipal Code, previously established under the Industrial 3 Jobs Recovery Law in the Illinois Municipal Code, or previously established under the Economic Development Area Tax Increment 4 5 Allocation Act, by an amount equal to the 1994 equalized assessed value of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of 6 7 real property in the redevelopment project area over and above 8 the initial equalized assessed value of each property in the 9 redevelopment project area. In the first year after a 10 municipality removes a taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of 11 real property from a redevelopment project area established 12 under the Tax Increment Allocation Development Act in the Illinois Municipal Code, the Industrial Jobs Recovery Law in 13 14 the Illinois Municipal Code, or the Economic Development Area Tax Increment Allocation Act, "recovered tax increment value" 15 16 means the amount of the current year's equalized assessed value 17 of each taxable lot, block, tract, or parcel of real property removed from the redevelopment project area over and above the 18 19 initial equalized assessed value of that real property before 20 removal from the redevelopment project area.

Except as otherwise provided in this Section, "limiting rate" means a fraction the numerator of which is the last preceding aggregate extension base times an amount equal to one plus the extension limitation defined in this Section and the denominator of which is the current year's equalized assessed value of all real property in the territory under the

jurisdiction of the taxing district during the prior levy year. 1 2 For those taxing districts that reduced their aggregate 3 extension for the last preceding levy year, except for school districts that reduced their extension for educational 4 purposes pursuant to Section 18-206, the highest aggregate 5 extension in any of the last 3 preceding levy years shall be 6 7 used for the purpose of computing the limiting rate. The 8 denominator shall not include new property or the recovered tax 9 increment value. If a new rate, a rate decrease, or a limiting rate increase has been approved at an election held after March 10 11 21, 2006, then (i) the otherwise applicable limiting rate shall 12 be increased by the amount of the new rate or shall be reduced by the amount of the rate decrease, as the case may be, or (ii) 13 14 in the case of a limiting rate increase, the limiting rate 15 shall be equal to the rate set forth in the proposition 16 approved by the voters for each of the years specified in the 17 proposition, after which the limiting rate of the taxing district shall be calculated as otherwise provided. In the case 18 19 of a taxing district that obtained referendum approval for an 20 increased limiting rate on March 20, 2012, the limiting rate for tax year 2012 shall be the rate that generates the 21 22 approximate total amount of taxes extendable for that tax year, 23 as set forth in the proposition approved by the voters; this rate shall be the final rate applied by the county clerk for 24 25 the aggregate of all capped funds of the district for tax year 26 2012.

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3 Section 10. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by 4 changing Sections 3-101 and 4-101 and by adding Sections 5 3-101.1, 3-101.2, 4-101.1, 4-101.2, 7-199.5, and 7-199.6 as 6 follows:

7 (40 ILCS 5/3-101) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-101)

8 Sec. 3-101. Creation and consolidation of the funds fund.

9 (a) Until January 1, 2021, in In each municipality, as 10 defined in Section 3-103, the city council or the board of 11 trustees, as the case may be, shall establish and administer a police pension fund, as prescribed in this Article, for the 12 13 benefit of its police officers and of their surviving spouses, 14 children, and certain other dependents. The duty of the 15 corporate authorities of a municipality to establish and 16 administer a police pension fund shall be suspended during any period during which the fund is dissolved under Section 3-144.6 17 18 of this Code.

19 (b) On January 1, 2021, all of the individual police 20 pension funds then existing under this Article are merged and 21 consolidated into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, 22 which shall be administered as prescribed in this Article and 23 Article 7.

24 (c) Beginning January 1, 2021, each municipality, as

defined in Section 3-103, shall participate in the Illinois
 Municipal Retirement Fund for the benefit of its police
 officers and of their surviving spouses, children, and certain
 other dependents.

5 (d) It is the purpose of this consolidation to provide the 6 advantages of (i) centralized custody and investment of pension 7 fund assets, (ii) consistent interpretation and application of 8 this Article in accordance with a single set of rules and 9 procedures adopted by the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, and (iii) securing the future funding of pension benefits 10 11 through an independent determination of each municipality's 12 required annual contribution rate.

13 (Source: P.A. 97-99, eff. 1-1-12.)

14 (40 ILCS 5/3-101.1 new)

15 <u>Sec. 3-101.1. Transition Board.</u>

16 <u>(a) There is hereby created a Downstate Police Pension Fund</u> 17 <u>Transition Board, which may be referred to as the "Transition</u> 18 <u>Board". The Transition Board shall consist of 11 members as</u> 19 <u>follows:</u>

20 (1) The Director of Insurance, or his or her designee.

21 (2) Two persons with experience in managing or
 22 administering an Illinois public employee pension fund or
 23 retirement system, appointed by the Governor.

24(3) One person with experience in providing actuarial25services to an Illinois public employee pension fund or

1	retirement system, appointed by the Governor.
2	(4) One person with experience in auditing Illinois
3	public employee pension funds or retirement systems,
4	appointed by the Auditor General.
5	(5) Two members of the labor organization representing
6	the largest number of police officers participating in
7	Article 3 pension funds, with one member being an active
8	participant and the other being a retired participant,
9	appointed by the Governor from recommendations of the
10	President of that organization.
11	(6) Two persons who are mayors or chief elected
12	officers of municipalities that maintain an Article 3
13	pension fund, appointed by the Governor from
14	recommendations of the Executive Director of the
15	organization representing the largest number of
16	municipalities in the State.
17	(7) One person familiar with the operation and
18	administration of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund,
19	appointed by the Executive Director of that Fund.
20	(8) One person familiar with the investment authority
21	and practices of the Illinois State Board of Investment,
22	appointed by the Executive Director of the Illinois State
23	Board of Investment.
24	All such appointments and designations shall be made by
25	filing a written notice thereof with the Secretary of State no
26	later than 30 days after the effective date of this amendatory

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1	Act of the 101st General Assembly.
2	(b) The Transition Board shall be responsible for planning,
3	overseeing, and administering the consolidation and merger of
4	all existing Article 3 pension funds into the Illinois
5	Municipal Retirement Fund.
6	Members of the Transition Board shall act at all times in a
7	manner appropriate for fiduciaries of the Fund and fiduciaries
8	of the pension funds being consolidated.
9	The Transition Board's powers and duties include, but are
10	not limited to, the following:
11	(1) Providing for the preservation and consolidation
12	of membership, beneficiary, financial, and other records
13	relating to the Article 3 pension funds to be merged.
14	(2) Obtaining all necessary Internal Revenue Service
15	and any other necessary approval or review.
16	(3) Providing for the final auditing of existing
17	Article 3 pension funds, including a final accounting of
18	their respective assets and liabilities, paid for by the
19	applicable pension fund.
20	(4) Providing for the custody and transfer of the
21	assets and liabilities of the existing Article 3 pension
22	funds to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, on a
23	schedule to be determined by the Transition Board.
24	(5) Recommending to the Illinois Municipal Retirement
25	Fund an appropriate system of accounting for the assets and
26	liabilities attributable to the existing Article 3 pension

1	funds and for establishing separate reserves and accounts
2	for each municipality participating in the Fund with
3	respect to its police officers.
4	(6) Recommending to the Illinois Municipal Retirement
5	Fund an appropriate system of determining, administering,
6	receiving, and enforcing the required municipal
7	contributions to the Fund. The municipal contribution rate
8	shall be determined separately for each municipality on an
9	annual basis in accordance with the requirements of this
10	Article, based on the municipality's separate reserves and
11	accounts within the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.
12	The Transition Board shall endeavor to determine the
13	required municipal contributions to the Illinois Municipal
14	Retirement Fund with regard to the municipality's police
15	officers under this Article and to notify and provide
16	reasonable guidance to municipalities in a manner that
17	ensures uninterrupted contributions during the transition
18	period.
19	(7) Ensuring the uninterrupted payment and
20	administration of benefits.
21	(8) Adopting any rules or procedures necessary for the
22	efficient consolidation of the existing Article 3 pension
23	funds.
24	(9) Considering the consequences of the consolidation
25	on any Qualified Illinois Domestic Relations Orders filed
26	with the pension funds being consolidated and giving

1	appropriate notice and advice to persons who may be
2	affected by those Qualified Illinois Domestic Relations
3	Orders concerning the possible effects of consolidation.
4	(10) Making recommendations to the Governor and the
5	General Assembly with respect to legislation necessary or
6	useful for the implementation of this consolidation or for
7	the successful administration of the Illinois Municipal
8	Retirement Fund with respect to police officers under this
9	Article.
10	(11) Consulting with the Illinois Municipal Retirement
11	Fund about the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund's
12	policies, practices, rules, and structure.
13	(c) The Public Pension Division of the Department of
14	Insurance shall provide all reasonably necessary and available
15	temporary office space, technical and clerical support, and
16	monetary or other assistance at the request of the Transition
17	Board.
18	For the purpose of implementing the consolidation, the
19	Transition Board may direct the Public Pension Division to
20	accelerate, expand, or enhance its examination under Section
21	1A-104 of all or specific Article 3 pension funds, or to
22	conduct a particular study or investigation thereof. The
23	expenses of such examinations and investigations, to the extent
24	not paid by the Division, shall be charged to the applicable
25	pension fund.
26	(d) In preparation for the consolidation of the pension

1	funds into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund on January 1,
2	2021, the Transition Board is authorized to expend or obligate
3	the assets of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund for any of
4	the reasonable expenses of consolidating the pension funds into
5	the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, including the payment
6	of benefits during the consolidation period and reasonable
7	administrative expenses. As used in this Section, "reasonable
8	administrative expenses" includes, but is not limited to, the
9	cost of hiring personnel and obtaining professional services to
10	the extent necessary for the consolidation, the cost of
11	insurance, and the cost of indemnifying members of the
12	Transition Board and its employees, advisors, and agents.
13	(e) Members of the Transition Board, other than State
14	officials and employees, may be compensated for their service,
15	and all members may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses
16	out of any moneys available for that purpose.
17	(f) Sixty days after the Board of Trustees of the Illinois
18	Municipal Retirement Fund assumes its duties, the Transition
19	Board is abolished.
20	(40 ILCS 5/3-101.2 new)
21	Sec. 3-101.2. Consolidation of pension funds into the
22	Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.
23	(a) On January 1, 2021, all of the individual police
24	pension funds then existing under this Article are merged and
25	consolidated into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund,

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1	which shall be administered as prescribed in this Article and
2	<u>Article 7.</u>
3	In preparation for that consolidation, all pension funds
4	established under this Article, and the municipalities that
5	established them, shall cooperate with the Transition Board.
6	(b) The Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund shall be the
7	legal successor to each of the pension funds that are
8	consolidated within it, and it may exercise any of the rights
9	and powers and perform any of the duties of those pension
10	funds.
11	At the time of consolidation, or as otherwise directed by
12	the Transition Board, all assets and liabilities belonging to
13	or arising from the trust of an existing pension fund shall
14	become the assets and liabilities of the Illinois Municipal
15	Retirement Fund.
16	As and when directed by the Transition Board, the trustees
17	of the pension funds established under Article 3 of this Code
18	shall transfer to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, for
19	management and investment as assets of the Illinois Municipal
20	Retirement Fund, all of their securities and other investments
21	not needed for immediate use.
22	(c) At the time of consolidation or as otherwise directed
23	by the Transition Board, assets not belonging to or arising
24	from the trust that are incidentally owned by a pension fund,
25	and any incidental liabilities of a pension fund not relating
26	to or arising from the trust, shall become the assets and

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1 <u>liabilities of the municipality.</u>

Assets not belonging to or arising from the trust that are owned by a municipality and incidentally used by a pension fund, and any associated liabilities, are not affected by the consolidation and shall continue to be managed as assets and liabilities of that municipality.

As necessary or useful to effectuate the consolidation, the 7 8 board of trustees of a pension fund to be consolidated and the 9 applicable municipality may each, in its discretion, continue 10 or renegotiate any employment or service contract, lease, or 11 other contract to which it is a party that relates to the 12 operation of the consolidated pension fund, and it may take appropriate action to terminate any such contract as necessary 13 14 to terminate or avoid unnecessary or duplicative personnel, 15 facilities, or services.

16 <u>(d) Beginning on January 1, 2021, all benefits payable</u> 17 <u>under this Article shall be payable from the appropriate</u> 18 <u>accounts and reserves of the Illinois Municipal Retirement</u> 19 Fund.

20 (e) The consolidation of pension funds under this Article 21 shall not diminish or impair the benefits of any current or 22 former police officer who participated in one of those pension 23 funds, or of any such police officer's surviving spouse, 24 children, or other dependents. 25 The consolidation of pension funds under this Article shall

25 <u>The consolidation of pension lunds under this Article shall</u>
 26 <u>not change the police officer contribution rate.</u>

1	The consolidation of pension funds under this Article does
2	not entitle any person to a recalculation or combination of any
3	benefit or benefits previously granted or to a refund of any
4	contribution previously paid.
5	The consolidation of pension funds under this Article is
6	not intended to increase the benefits provided under this
7	Article, except insofar as the consolidation of pension funds
8	into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund will allow police
9	officers in active service on or after the consolidation date
10	to have their benefit calculations (and those of their
11	qualifying survivors) include consideration of all of the
12	police officer's service, salary, and credits in the Fund as
13	though arising under the Fund, rather than as arising under
14	more than one participating municipality or more than one
15	Article 3 pension fund.

(f) On January 1, 2021, the rules adopted by the Transition
 Board shall become the rules of the Illinois Municipal
 Retirement Fund with respect to this Article.

19 (40 ILCS 5/4-101) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-101)

20 Sec. 4-101. Creation and consolidation of the funds fund.

21 <u>(a) Until January 1, 2021, in</u> In each municipality as 22 defined in Section 4-103, the city council or the board of 23 trustees, as the case may be, shall establish and administer a 24 firefighters' pension fund as prescribed in this Article, for 25 the benefit of its firefighters and of their surviving spouses, 1 children and certain other dependents. The duty of the 2 corporate authorities of a municipality to establish and 3 administer a firefighters' pension fund shall be suspended 4 during any period during which the fund is dissolved under 5 subsection (c) of Section 4-106.1 of this Code.

6 (b) On January 1, 2021, all of the individual firefighter 7 pension funds then existing under this Article are merged and 8 consolidated into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, 9 which shall be administered as prescribed in this Article and 10 Article 7.

11 (c) Beginning January 1, 2021, each municipality, as 12 defined in Section 4-103, shall participate in the Illinois 13 Municipal Retirement Fund for the benefit of its firefighters 14 and of their surviving spouses, children, and certain other 15 dependents.

16 (d) It is the purpose of this consolidation to provide the 17 advantages of (i) centralized custody and investment of pension fund assets, (ii) consistent interpretation and application of 18 19 this Article in accordance with a single set of rules and 20 procedures adopted by the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, and (iii) securing the future funding of pension benefits 21 22 through an independent determination of each municipality's 23 required annual contribution rate.

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(40 ILCS 5/4-101.1 new)

^{24 (}Source: P.A. 97-99, eff. 1-1-12.)

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1	Sec. 4-101.1. Transition Board.
2	(a) There is hereby created a Downstate Firefighter Pension
3	Fund Transition Board, which may be referred to as the
4	"Transition Board". The Transition Board shall consist of 11
5	members as follows:
6	(1) The Director of Insurance, or his or her designee.
7	(2) Two persons with experience in managing or
8	administering an Illinois public employee pension fund or
9	retirement system, appointed by the Governor.
10	(3) One person with experience in providing actuarial
11	services to an Illinois public employee pension fund or
12	retirement system, appointed by the Governor.
13	(4) One person with experience in auditing Illinois
14	public employee pension funds or retirement systems,
15	appointed by the Auditor General.
16	(5) Two members of the labor organization representing
17	the largest number of firefighters participating in
18	Article 4 pension funds, with one member being an active
19	participant and the other being a retired participant,
20	appointed by the Governor from recommendations of the
21	President of that organization.
22	(6) Two persons who are mayors or chief elected
23	officers of municipalities that maintain an Article 4
24	pension fund, appointed by the Governor from
25	recommendations of the Executive Director of the
26	organization representing the largest number of

1	municipalities in the State.
2	(7) One person familiar with the operation and
3	administration of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund,
4	appointed by the Executive Director of that Fund.
5	(8) One person familiar with the investment authority
6	and practices of the Illinois State Board of Investment,
7	appointed by the Executive Director of the Illinois State
8	Board of Investment.
9	All such appointments and designations shall be made by
10	filing a written notice thereof with the Secretary of State no
11	later than 30 days after the effective date of this amendatory
12	Act of the 101st General Assembly.
13	(b) The Transition Board shall be responsible for planning,
14	overseeing, and administering the consolidation and merger of
15	all existing Article 4 pension funds into the Illinois
16	Municipal Retirement Fund.
17	Members of the Transition Board shall act at all times in a
18	manner appropriate for fiduciaries of the Fund and fiduciaries
19	of the pension funds being consolidated.
20	The Transition Board's powers and duties include, but are
21	not limited to, the following:
22	(1) Providing for the preservation and consolidation
23	of membership, beneficiary, financial, and other records
24	relating to the Article 4 pension funds to be merged.
25	(2) Obtaining all necessary Internal Revenue Service
26	and any other necessary approval or review.

1	(3) Providing for the final auditing of existing
2	Article 4 pension funds, including a final accounting of
3	their respective assets and liabilities, paid for by the
4	applicable pension fund.
5	(4) Providing for the custody and transfer of the
6	assets and liabilities of the existing Article 4 pension
7	funds to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, on a
8	schedule to be determined by the Transition Board.
9	(5) Recommending to the Illinois Municipal Retirement
10	Fund an appropriate system of accounting for the assets and
11	liabilities attributable to the existing Article 4 pension
12	funds and for establishing separate reserves and accounts
13	for each municipality participating in the Fund with
14	respect to its firefighters.
15	(6) Recommending to the Illinois Municipal Retirement
16	Fund an appropriate system of determining, administering,
17	receiving, and enforcing the required municipal
18	contributions to the Fund. The municipal contribution rate
19	shall be determined separately for each municipality on an
20	annual basis in accordance with the requirements of this
21	Article, based on the municipality's separate reserves and
22	accounts within the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.
23	The Transition Board shall endeavor to determine the
24	required municipal contributions to the Illinois Municipal
25	Retirement Fund with regard to the municipality's
26	firefighters under this Article and to notify and provide

1	reasonable guidance to municipalities in a manner that
2	ensures uninterrupted contributions during the transition
3	period.
4	(7) Ensuring the uninterrupted payment and
5	administration of benefits.
6	(8) Adopting any rules or procedures necessary for the
7	efficient consolidation of the existing Article 4 pension
8	<u>funds.</u>
9	(9) Considering the consequences of the consolidation
10	on any Qualified Illinois Domestic Relations Orders filed
11	with the pension funds being consolidated and giving
12	appropriate notice and advice to persons who may be
13	affected by those Qualified Illinois Domestic Relations
14	Orders concerning the possible effects of consolidation.
15	(10) Making recommendations to the Governor and the
16	General Assembly with respect to legislation necessary or
17	useful for the implementation of this consolidation or for
18	the successful administration of the Illinois Municipal
19	Retirement Fund with respect to firefighters under this
20	Article.
21	(11) Consulting with the Illinois Municipal Retirement
22	Fund about the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund's
23	policies, practices, rules, and structure.
24	(c) The Public Pension Division of the Department of
25	Insurance shall provide all reasonably necessary and available
26	temporary office space, technical and clerical support, and

1 <u>monetary or other assistance at the request of the Transition</u>
2 Board.

3 For the purpose of implementing the consolidation, the 4 Transition Board may direct the Public Pension Division to 5 accelerate, expand, or enhance its examination under Section 1A-104 of all or specific Article 4 pension funds, or to 6 7 conduct a particular study or investigation thereof. The 8 expenses of such examinations and investigations, to the extent 9 not paid by the Division, shall be charged to the applicable 10 pension fund.

11 (d) In preparation for the consolidation of the pension 12 funds into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund on January 1, 2021, the Transition Board is authorized to expend or obligate 13 14 the assets of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund for any of 15 the reasonable expenses of consolidating the pension funds into 16 the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, including the payment 17 of benefits during the consolidation period and reasonable administrative expenses. As used in this Section, "reasonable 18 19 administrative expenses" includes, but is not limited to, the 20 cost of hiring personnel and obtaining professional services to 21 the extent necessary for the consolidation, the cost of insurance, and the cost of indemnifying members of the 22 Transition Board and its employees, advisors, and agents. 23

(e) Members of the Transition Board, other than State
 officials and employees, may be compensated for their service,
 and all members may be reimbursed for their reasonable expenses

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1	out of any moneys available for that purpose.
2	(f) Sixty days after the Board of Trustees of the Illinois
3	Municipal Retirement Fund assumes its duties, the Transition
4	Board is abolished.
5	(40 ILCS 5/4-101.2 new)
6	Sec. 4-101.2. Consolidation of pension funds into the
7	Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.
8	(a) On January 1, 2021, all of the individual firefighter
9	pension funds then existing under this Article are merged and
10	consolidated into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund,
11	which shall be administered as prescribed in this Article and
12	Article 7.
13	In preparation for that consolidation, all pension funds
14	established under this Article, and the municipalities that
15	established them, shall cooperate with the Transition Board.
16	(b) The Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund shall be the
17	legal successor to each of the pension funds that are
18	consolidated within it, and it may exercise any of the rights
19	and powers and perform any of the duties of those pension
20	funds.
21	At the time of consolidation, or as otherwise directed by
22	the Transition Board, all assets and liabilities belonging to
23	or arising from the trust of an existing pension fund shall
24	become the assets and liabilities of the Illinois Municipal
25	Retirement Fund.

1	As and when directed by the Transition Board, the trustees
2	of the pension funds established under Article 4 of this Code
3	shall transfer to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund, for
4	management and investment as assets of the Illinois Municipal
5	Retirement Fund, all of their securities and other investments
6	not needed for immediate use.
7	(c) At the time of consolidation or as otherwise directed
8	by the Transition Board, assets not belonging to or arising
9	from the trust that are incidentally owned by a pension fund,
10	and any incidental liabilities of a pension fund not relating
11	to or arising from the trust, shall become the assets and
12	liabilities of the municipality.
13	Assets not belonging to or arising from the trust that are
14	owned by a municipality and incidentally used by a pension
15	fund, and any associated liabilities, are not affected by the
16	consolidation and shall continue to be managed as assets and
17	liabilities of that municipality.
18	As necessary or useful to effectuate the consolidation, the
19	board of trustees of a pension fund to be consolidated and the
20	applicable municipality may each, in its discretion, continue
21	or renegotiate any employment or service contract, lease, or
22	other contract to which it is a party that relates to the
23	operation of the consolidated pension fund, and it may take
24	appropriate action to terminate any such contract as necessary
25	to terminate or avoid unnecessary or duplicative personnel,
26	facilities, or services.

(d) Beginning on January 1, 2021, all benefits payable 1 2 under this Article shall be payable from the appropriate 3 accounts and reserves of the Illinois Municipal Retirement 4 Fund. 5 (e) The consolidation of pension funds under this Article shall not diminish or impair the benefits of any current or 6 former firefighter who participated in one of those pension 7 8 funds, or of any such firefighter's surviving spouse, children, 9 or other dependents. The consolidation of pension funds under this Article shall 10 11 not change the firefighter contribution rate, except that no 12 additional contribution shall be paid under subsection (c) of Section 4-118.1. 13 14 The consolidation of pension funds under this Article does not entitle any person to a recalculation or combination of any 15 16 benefit or benefits previously granted or to a refund of any 17 contribution previously paid. The consolidation of pension funds under this Article is 18 19 not intended to increase the benefits provided under this 20 Article, except insofar as the consolidation of pension funds into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund will allow 21 22 firefighters in active service on or after the consolidation 23 date to have their benefit calculations (and those of their 24 qualifying survivors) include consideration of all of the 25 firefighter's service, salary, and credits in the Fund as though arising under the Fund, rather than as arising under 26

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5 Retirement Fund with respect to this Article.

6 (40 ILCS 5/7-199.5 new)

7 Sec. 7-199.5. To assist in the consolidation of the pension 8 funds under Articles 3 and 4. The Board shall assist in the 9 consolidation of pension funds under Articles 3 and 4 and shall 10 provide assistance to the Transition Boards created under 11 Sections 3-101.1 and 4-101.1 of this Code. The Board shall 12 adopt any rules necessary to prepare for the consolidation of 13 the pension funds under Articles 3 and 4, including establishing accounts and reserves necessary for the 14 15 administration of the benefits and requirements under Articles 16 3 and 4, and to provide recommendations and administrative 17 support necessary to the Transition Boards.

18 (40 ILCS 5/7-199.6 new)

19 Sec. 7-199.6. To administer the benefits under Articles 3 20 and 4. 21 (a) On and after January 1, 2021, the Fund shall administer 22 the benefits and other requirements under Article 3 in 23 accordance with that Article and this Article 7. To the extent 24 that the administrative requirements under Article 3 conflict

with this Article 7, this Article 7 shall control. The Fund may 1 2 exercise any of the rights and powers and perform any of the 3 duties of the consolidated pension funds under Article 3. 4 The Fund shall adopt rules for the efficient operation and 5 administration of Article 3. Any rules adopted by the Transition Board established under Section 3-101.1 shall 6 7 become the rules of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund with 8 respect to the benefits and administration of Article 3 until 9 the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund rescinds those rules or 10 adopts superseding rules. 11 (b) On and after January 1, 2021, the Fund shall administer 12 the benefits and other requirements under Article 4 in accordance with that Article and this Article 7. To the extent 13 14 that the administrative requirements under Article 4 conflict with this Article 7, this Article 7 shall control. The Fund may 15 16 exercise any of the rights and powers and perform any of the 17 duties of the consolidated pension funds under Article 4 The Fund shall adopt rules for the efficient operation and 18 19 administration of Article 4. Any rules adopted by the 20 Transition Board established under Section 4-101.1 shall 21 become the rules of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund with 22 respect to the benefits and administration of Article 4 until the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund rescinds those rules or 23 24 adopts superseding rules.

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Section 15. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by

changing Sections 3-103, 3-105, 3-108.2, 3-108.3, 3-110,
3-110.7, 3-125, 3-125.1, 3-128, 3-134, 3-135, 3-141, 4-103,
4-105, 4-105c, 4-105d, 4-108, 4-118, 4-118.1, 4-121, 4-124,
4-128, 4-134, 7-175, and 7-175.1 and by adding Sections
3-102.1, 3-103.9, 3-141a, 3-141b, 4-102.1, 4-106.5, 4-130.1,
and 4-130.3 as follows:

7 (40 ILCS 5/3-102.1 new) 8 Sec. 3-102.1. Fund. "Fund" or "pension fund": Until January 9 1, 2021, a police pension fund established by a municipality 10 under this Article. 11 Beginning January 1, 2021, "Fund" or "pension fund" means 12 the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund with respect to this 13 Article; depending on the context, the terms may include one or more of those previously established pension funds. 14

15 (40 ILCS 5/3-103) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-103)

Sec. 3-103. Municipality; participating municipality;
governing body.

18 <u>(a)</u> "Municipality": (1) Any city, village or incorporated 19 town of 5,000 or more but less than 500,000 inhabitants, as 20 determined from the United States Government statistics or a 21 census taken at any time by the city, village or incorporated 22 town and (2) any city, village or incorporated town of less 23 than 5,000 inhabitants which, by referendum held under Section 24 3-145 adopts this Article.

1	(b) "Participating municipality" means a municipality, as
2	defined in subsection (a), that both is required (or has
3	elected) to and does in fact participate in the Fund with
4	respect to its police officers under this Article.
5	(c) "Governing body" includes, but is not limited to, the
6	board of town trustees or other persons empowered to draft the
7	tentative budget and appropriation ordinance and the electors
8	of such a township acting at the annual or special meeting of
9	town electors.
10	(Source: P.A. 83-1440.)
11	(40 ILCS 5/3-103.9 new)
12	Sec. 3-103.9. Authorized agent of a participating
13	municipality.
14	(a) Each participating municipality shall appoint an
15	authorized agent who shall have the powers and duties set forth
16	in this Section. In the absence of such an appointment, the
17	duties of the authorized agent shall devolve upon the clerk or
18	secretary of the municipality. The authorized agent may be the
19	same person appointed as the authorized agent under Section
20	<u>7-135.</u>
21	(b) The authorized agent of the municipality shall have the
22	following powers and duties:
23	(1) To certify to the Fund whether or not a given
24	person is authorized to participate in the Fund.
25	(2) To certify to the Fund when a participating

1	employee is on a leave of absence authorized by the
2	municipality.
3	(3) To request the proper officer to cause employee
4	contributions to be withheld from salary and promptly
5	transmitted to the Fund.
6	(4) To request the proper officer to cause municipality
7	contributions to be promptly forwarded to the Fund.
8	(5) To forward promptly to all participating employees
9	any communications for such employees from the Fund or the
10	municipality.
11	(6) To forward promptly to the Board of the Fund all
12	applications, claims reports, and other communications
13	delivered to the agent by participating employees.
14	(7) To perform all duties related to the administration
15	of the Fund as requested by the Fund or the governing body
16	of the municipality.
17	(c) The governing body of each participating municipality
18	may delegate either or both of the following powers to its
19	authorized agent:
20	(1) To file a petition for nomination of an executive
21	trustee of the Fund.
22	(2) To cast the ballot for election of an executive
23	trustee of the Fund.
24	If a governing body does not authorize its agent to perform
25	the powers set forth in this Section, they shall be performed
26	by the governing body itself, unless the governing body by

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1	resolution	duly	certified	to	the	Fund	delegates	them	to	some
2	<u>other offic</u>	er or	employee.							

3 (d) The delivery of any communication or document by an
4 employee or a municipality to the authorized agent of the
5 municipality does not constitute delivery to the Fund.

6 (40 ILCS 5/3-105) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-105)

Sec. 3-105. Board. "Board": <u>Until January 1, 2021, the</u>
board of trustees of the police pension fund of a municipality
as established in <u>subsection (a) of</u> Section 3-128.

Beginning January 1, 2021, the Board of Trustees of the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund; depending on the context, the term may include the former board of trustees of one or more of those previously established pension funds.

14 (Source: P.A. 83-1440.)

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15 (40 ILCS 5/3-108.2)

Sec. 3-108.2. Participant. "Participant": A police officer or deferred pensioner of <u>the Fund</u> a pension fund, or a beneficiary of the <u>Fund</u> pension fund.

19 (Source: P.A. 90-507, eff. 8-22-97.)

20 (40 ILCS 5/3-108.3)

21 Sec. 3-108.3. Beneficiary. "Beneficiary": A person 22 receiving benefits from <u>the Fund</u> a pension fund, including, but 23 not limited to, retired pensioners, disabled pensioners, their surviving spouses, minor children, disabled children, and dependent parents. If a special needs trust as described in Section 1396p(d)(4) of Title 42 of the United States Code, as amended from time to time, has been established for a disabled adult child, then the special needs trust may stand in lieu of the disabled adult child as a beneficiary for the purposes of this Article.

8 (Source: P.A. 96-1143, eff. 7-21-10.)

9 (40 ILCS 5/3-110) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-110)

10 Sec. 3-110. Creditable service.

11 (a) "Creditable service" is the time served by a police 12 officer as a member of a regularly constituted police force of a municipality. In computing creditable service furloughs 13 14 without pay exceeding 30 days shall not be counted, but all 15 leaves of absence for illness or accident, regardless of 16 length, and all periods of disability retirement for which a police officer has received no disability pension payments 17 under this Article shall be counted. 18

19 <u>(a-3) Upon the consolidation of the police pension funds</u>
20 <u>under this Article into the Fund on January 1, 2021, creditable</u>
21 <u>service under any such pension fund shall be deemed to be</u>
22 <u>creditable service in the Fund, subject to the following</u>
23 <u>provisions:</u>

24(1) The consolidation of police pension funds into the25Fund shall not result in the duplication of any service

1 <u>credit based on the same period of service in this or any</u>
2 <u>other pension fund or retirement system subject to this</u>
3 Code.

(2) If this Section or any other provision of this 4 5 Article imposes a limit on the amount of creditable service that may be established for a particular activity or 6 purpose and prior to consolidation a police officer has 7 8 established periods of creditable service for that 9 activity or purpose in more than one former police pension 10 fund under this Article, which periods are within that 11 limitation for each such fund but together exceed that 12 limitation, then upon consolidation all such credit previously established by the police officer shall be 13 14 preserved under the Fund, but no additional creditable service for that activity or purpose may be established by 15 16 that police officer in the Fund.

17(3) The consolidation of police pension funds into the18Fund shall not entitle any person or pension fund to a19refund of any contribution or payment previously paid or20transferred in order to establish or transfer creditable21service under this Article.

(a-5) Up to 3 years of time during which the police officer receives a disability pension under Section 3-114.1, 3-114.2, 3-114.3, or 3-114.6 shall be counted as creditable service, provided that (i) the police officer returns to active service after the disability for a period at least equal to the period

for which credit is to be established and (ii) the police 1 officer makes contributions to the Fund fund based on the rates 2 specified in Section 3-125.1 and the salary upon which the 3 disability pension is based. These contributions may be paid at 4 5 any time prior to the commencement of a retirement pension. The police officer may, but need not, elect to 6 have the 7 contributions deducted from the disability pension or to pay 8 them in installments on a schedule approved by the board. If 9 not deducted from the disability pension, the contributions 10 shall include interest at the rate of 6% per year, compounded 11 annually, from the date for which service credit is being 12 established to the date of payment. If contributions are paid 13 under this subsection (a-5) in excess of those needed to establish the credit, the excess shall be refunded. This 14 15 subsection (a-5) applies to persons receiving a disability pension under Section 3-114.1, 3-114.2, 3-114.3, or 3-114.6 on 16 17 the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly, as well as persons who begin to receive such a 18 19 disability pension after that date.

(b) Creditable service includes all periods of service in the military, naval or air forces of the United States entered upon while an active police officer of a municipality, provided that upon applying for a permanent pension, and in accordance with the rules of the board, the police officer pays into the <u>Fund fund</u> the amount the officer would have contributed if he or she had been a regular contributor during such period, to

the extent that the municipality which the police officer served has not made such contributions in the officer's behalf. The total amount of such creditable service shall not exceed 5 years, except that any police officer who on July 1, 1973 had more than 5 years of such creditable service shall receive the total amount thereof.

7 (b-5) Creditable service includes all periods of service in 8 the military, naval, or air forces of the United States entered 9 upon before beginning service as an active police officer of a 10 municipality, provided that, in accordance with the rules of 11 the board, the police officer pays into the Fund fund the 12 amount the police officer would have contributed if he or she 13 had been a regular contributor during such period, plus an 14 amount determined by the Board to be equal to the 15 municipality's normal cost of the benefit, plus interest at the 16 actuarially assumed rate calculated from the date the employee 17 last became a police officer under this Article. The total amount of such creditable service shall not exceed 2 years. 18

(c) Creditable service also includes service rendered by a 19 police officer while on leave of absence from a police 20 department to serve as an executive of an organization whose 21 22 membership consists of members of a police department, subject 23 to the following conditions: (i) the police officer is a 24 participant of the Fund a fund established under this Article 25 with at least 10 years of service as a police officer; (ii) the police officer received no credit for such service under any 26

other retirement system, pension fund, or annuity and benefit 1 2 fund included in this Code; (iii) pursuant to the rules of the 3 board the police officer pays to the Fund fund the amount he or she would have contributed had the officer been an active 4 5 member of the police department; (iv) the organization pays a contribution equal to the municipality's normal cost for that 6 7 period of service; and (v) for all leaves of absence under this 8 subsection (c), including those beginning before the effective 9 date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, the 10 police officer continues to remain in sworn status, subject to 11 the professional standards of the public employer or those 12 terms established in statute.

(d) (1) Creditable service also includes periods of 13 14 service originally established in another police pension 15 fund under this Article or in the Fund established under 16 Article 7 of this Code for which (i) the contributions have 17 been transferred under Section 3-110.7 or Section 7-139.9 (ii) any additional contribution required under 18 and 19 paragraph (2) of this subsection has been paid in full in 20 accordance with the requirements of this subsection (d).

21 (2) If the board of the pension fund to which 22 creditable service and related contributions are 23 transferred under Section 7-139.9 determines that the amount transferred is less than the true cost to the 24 25 pension fund of allowing that creditable service to be established, then in order to establish that creditable 26

1 service the police officer must pay to the pension fund, 2 within the payment period specified in paragraph (3) of 3 this subsection, an additional contribution equal to the difference, as determined by the board in accordance with 4 5 the rules and procedures adopted under paragraph (6) of this subsection. If the board of the pension fund to which 6 7 service and related contributions creditable are 8 transferred under Section 3-110.7 determines that the 9 amount transferred is less than the true cost to the 10 pension fund of allowing that creditable service to be 11 established, then the police officer may elect (A) to 12 establish that creditable service by paying to the pension 13 fund, within the payment period specified in paragraph (3) 14 of this subsection (d), an additional contribution equal to 15 the difference, as determined by the board in accordance 16 with the rules and procedures adopted under paragraph (6) of this subsection (d) or (B) to have his or her creditable 17 service reduced by an amount equal to the difference 18 between the amount transferred under Section 3-110.7 and 19 20 the true cost to the pension fund of allowing that 21 creditable service to be established, as determined by the 22 board in accordance with the rules and procedures adopted 23 under paragraph (6) of this subsection (d).

(3) Except as provided in paragraph (4), the additional
contribution that is required or elected under paragraph
(2) of this subsection (d) must be paid to the board (i)

within 5 years from the date of the transfer of contributions under Section 3-110.7 or 7-139.9 and (ii) before the police officer terminates service with the fund. The additional contribution may be paid in a lump sum or in accordance with a schedule of installment payments authorized by the board.

7 (4) If the police officer dies in service before 8 payment in full has been made and before the expiration of 9 the 5-year payment period, the surviving spouse of the 10 officer may elect to pay the unpaid amount on the officer's 11 behalf within 6 months after the date of death, in which 12 case the creditable service shall be granted as though the deceased police officer had paid the remaining balance on 13 14 the day before the date of death.

15 (5) If the additional contribution that is required or 16 elected under paragraph (2) of this subsection (d) is not 17 paid in full within the required time, the creditable service shall not be granted and the police officer (or the 18 19 officer's surviving spouse or estate) shall be entitled to receive a refund of (i) any partial payment of the 20 21 additional contribution that has been made by the police 22 officer and (ii) those portions of the amounts transferred 23 subdivision (a)(1) of Section 3-110.7 or under 24 subdivisions (a)(1) and (a)(3) of Section 7-139.9 that 25 represent employee contributions paid by the police 26 officer (but not the accumulated interest on those

1 contributions) and interest paid by the police officer to 2 the prior pension fund in order to reinstate service 3 terminated by acceptance of a refund.

At the time of paying a refund under this item (5), the 4 5 pension fund shall also repay to the pension fund from which the contributions were transferred under Section 6 7 3-110.7 or 7-139.9 the amount originally transferred under 8 subdivision (a)(2) of that Section, plus interest at the 9 rate of 6% per year, compounded annually, from the date of 10 the original transfer to the date of repayment. Amounts 11 repaid to the Article 7 fund under this provision shall be 12 credited to the appropriate municipality.

13 Transferred credit that is not granted due to failure 14 to pay the additional contribution within the required time 15 is lost; it may not be transferred to another pension fund 16 and may not be reinstated in the pension fund from which it 17 was transferred.

(6) The Public Employee Pension Fund Division of the 18 19 Department of Insurance shall establish by rule the manner 20 of making the calculation required under paragraph (2) of 21 this subsection, taking into account the appropriate 22 actuarial assumptions; the police officer's service, age, 23 and salary history; the level of funding of the pension 24 fund to which the credits are being transferred; and any 25 other factors that the Division determines to be relevant. 26 The rules may require that all calculations made under

paragraph (2) be reported to the Division by the board 1 performing the calculation, together with documentation of 2 3 the creditable service to be transferred, the amounts of contributions and interest to be transferred, the manner in 4 5 which the calculation was performed, the numbers relied upon in making the calculation, the results of 6 the 7 calculation, and any other information the Division may 8 deem useful.

9 (e)(1) Creditable service also includes periods of 10 service originally established in the Fund established 11 under Article 7 of this Code for which the contributions 12 have been transferred under Section 7-139.11.

If the board of the pension fund to which 13 (2)14 creditable service and related contributions are transferred under Section 7-139.11 determines that the 15 16 amount transferred is less than the true cost to the 17 pension fund of allowing that creditable service to be established, then the amount of creditable service the 18 19 police officer may establish under this subsection (e) 20 shall be reduced by an amount equal to the difference, as 21 determined by the board in accordance with the rules and 22 procedures adopted under paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(3) The Public Pension Division of the Department of
 Financial and Professional Regulation shall establish by
 rule the manner of making the calculation required under
 paragraph (2) of this subsection, taking into account the

appropriate actuarial assumptions; the police officer's 1 2 service, age, and salary history; the level of funding of 3 pension fund to which the credits are the being transferred; and any other factors that the Division 4 5 determines to be relevant. The rules may require that all 6 calculations made under paragraph (2) be reported to the 7 Division by the board performing the calculation, together with documentation of the creditable service to 8 be 9 transferred, the amounts of contributions and interest to 10 be transferred, the manner in which the calculation was 11 performed, the numbers relied upon in making the 12 calculation, the results of the calculation, and any other information the Division may deem useful. 13

14 (4) Until January 1, 2010, a police officer who 15 transferred service from the Fund established under 16 Article 7 of this Code under the provisions of Public Act 17 94-356 may establish additional credit, but only for the amount of the service credit reduction in that transfer, as 18 19 calculated under paragraph (3) of this subsection (e). This 20 credit may be established upon payment by the police 21 officer of an amount to be determined by the board, equal 22 to (1) the amount that would have been contributed as 23 employee and employer contributions had all of the service 24 been as an employee under this Article, plus interest 25 thereon at the rate of 6% per year, compounded annually 26 from the date of service to the date of transfer, less (2)

1 the total amount transferred from the Article 7 Fund, plus 2 (3) interest on the difference at the rate of 6% per year, 3 compounded annually, from the date of the transfer to the 4 date of payment. The additional service credit is allowed 5 under this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly 6 notwithstanding the provisions of Article 7 terminating 7 all transferred credits on the date of transfer.

8 (Source: P.A. 96-297, eff. 8-11-09; 96-1260, eff. 7-23-10; 9 97-651, eff. 1-5-12.)

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(40 ILCS 5/3-110.7)

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Sec. 3-110.7. Transfer between Article 3 funds.

(a) Until January 1, 2021 (the consolidation date), an An 12 13 active member of a pension fund established under this Article 14 may apply for transfer to that fund of his or her creditable 15 service and related contributions accumulated in any other 16 police pension fund established under this Article, except that a police officer may not transfer creditable service under this 17 18 Section from a pension fund unless (i) the police officer 19 actively served in the police department under that fund for at 20 least 2 years, (ii) the police officer actively served in the 21 police department under that fund for less than 2 years but was 22 laid off or otherwise involuntarily terminated for a reason 23 other than the fault of the officer, or (iii) the police 24 officer was not in service in the police department under that fund on or after the effective date of this Section. Upon 25

1 receiving the application, that other pension fund shall
2 transfer to the pension fund in which the applicant currently
3 participates an amount equal to:

4 (1) the amounts actually contributed by or on behalf of
5 the applicant to the fund as employee contributions
6 (including any interest paid by the applicant in order to
7 reinstate service), plus interest on those amounts at the
8 rate of 6% per year, compounded annually, from the date of
9 contribution to the date of transfer; plus

10 (2) an amount representing employer contributions,
11 equal to the total amount determined under subdivision (1).
12 Participation in that other pension fund shall terminate on the
13 date of transfer.

(b) An active member of <u>the Fund</u> a pension fund established under this Article may reinstate <u>in the Fund</u> service <u>in any</u> other pension fund established under this Article that was terminated by receipt of a refund, by paying to <u>the Fund</u> that other pension fund the amount of the refund plus interest thereon at the rate of 6% per year, compounded annually, from the date of refund to the date of payment.

21 (Source: P.A. 90-460, eff. 8-17-97.)

22 (40 ILCS 5/3-125) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-125)

23 Sec. 3-125. Financing; tax.

(a) The <u>governing body</u> city council or the board of
 trustees of <u>a participating</u> the municipality shall annually

levy a tax upon all the taxable property of the municipality at 1 2 the rate on the dollar which will produce an amount which, when 3 added to the deductions from the salaries or wages of police officers, and revenues available from other sources, will equal 4 5 a sum sufficient to meet the annual requirements of the account of the participating municipality police pension fund. The 6 7 annual requirements to be provided by such tax levy are equal 8 (1) the normal cost of benefits attributable to the to 9 participating municipality and its police officers, as determined by an enrolled actuary employed by the Fund, the 10 pension fund for the year involved, plus (2) an amount 11 12 sufficient to bring the total assets of the account of the 13 participating municipality pension fund up to 90% of the total actuarial liabilities of the account of the participating 14 15 municipality pension fund by the end of municipal fiscal year 16 2040, as annually updated and determined by an enrolled actuary 17 employed by the Fund Illinois Department of Insurance or by an enrolled actuary retained by the pension fund or 18 the 19 municipality. In making these determinations, the required 20 minimum employer contribution shall be calculated each year as a level percentage of payroll over the years remaining up to 21 22 and including fiscal year 2040 and shall be determined under 23 the projected unit credit actuarial cost method. The tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as the general taxes 24 25 of the municipality, and in addition to all other taxes now or 26 hereafter authorized to be levied upon all property within the

1 municipality, and shall be in addition to the amount authorized 2 to be levied for general purposes as provided by Section 8-3-1 3 of the Illinois Municipal Code, approved May 29, 1961, as 4 amended. The tax shall be forwarded directly to the treasurer 5 of the board within 30 business days after receipt by the 6 county.

7 (b) For purposes of determining the required employer 8 contribution to <u>the Fund</u> a pension fund, the value of the 9 pension fund's assets shall be equal to the actuarial value of 10 the pension fund's assets, which shall be calculated as 11 follows:

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13 14 (1) <u>(Blank)</u>. On March 30, 2011, the actuarial value of a pension fund's assets shall be equal to the market value of the assets as of that date.

(2) In determining the actuarial value of the System's
assets of the account of the participating municipality for
fiscal years after March 30, 2011, any actuarial gains or
losses from investment return incurred in a fiscal year
shall be recognized in equal annual amounts over the 5-year
period following that fiscal year.

(c) If a participating municipality fails to transmit to the <u>Fund</u> fund contributions required of it under this Article for more than 90 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the <u>Fund</u> fund may, after giving notice to the municipality, certify to the State Comptroller the amounts of the delinquent payments in accordance with any applicable rules of the Comptroller, and the Comptroller must, beginning in fiscal year 2016, deduct and remit to the <u>Fund, for credit to</u> <u>the account of the participating municipality</u>, <u>fund</u> the certified amounts or a portion of those amounts from the following proportions of payments of State funds to the municipality:

- 7 (1) in fiscal year 2016, one-third of the total amount
 8 of any payments of State funds to the municipality;
- 9 (2) in fiscal year 2017, two-thirds of the total amount 10 of any payments of State funds to the municipality; and

11 (3) in fiscal year 2018 and each fiscal year 12 thereafter, the total amount of any payments of State funds 13 to the municipality.

The State Comptroller may not deduct from any payments of State funds to the municipality more than the amount of delinquent payments certified to the State Comptroller by the <u>Fund fund</u>.

- 18 (d) <u>(Blank).</u> The police pension fund shall consist of the 19 following moneys which shall be set apart by the treasurer of 20 the municipality:
- 21 (1) All moneys derived from the taxes levied hereunder;
 22 (2) Contributions by police officers under Section
 23 3-125.1;
- 24 (3) All moneys accumulated by the municipality under
 25 any previous legislation establishing a fund for the
 26 benefit of disabled or retired police officers;

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1	(4) Donations, gift	s or other	transfers authorized by
2	this Article.		
3	(e) <u>(Blank).</u> The Commis	sion on Go	vernment Forecasting and
4	Accountability shall conduc	t a study (of all funds established
5	under this Article and shall	report it:	findings to the General
6	Assembly on or before Janua	ary 1, 2013	8. To the fullest extent
7	possible, the study shall i	nclude, bu t	t not be limited to, the
8	following:		
9	(1) fund balances;		
10	(2) historical emp	loyer cont :	ribution rates for each
11	fund;		
12	(3) the actuarial fo	ermulas used	d as a basis for employer
13	contributions, includin	g the actua	l assumed rate of return
14	for each year, for each	fund;	
15	(4) available contra	ibution fun	ding sources;
16	(5) the impact of	any revenu	e limitations caused by
17	PTELL and employer home	rule or nor	home rule status; and
18	(6) existing statu	tory fundir	ng compliance procedures
19	and funding enforceme	nt mechani	sms for all municipal
20	pension funds.		
21	(Source: P.A. 99-8, eff. 7-9	9-15.)	
22	(40 ILCS 5/3-125.1) (fro	om Ch. 108 1	/2, par. 3-125.1)
23	Sec. 3-125.1. Contrib	utions by	police officers. Each
24	police officer shall contri	ibute to th	e <u>Fund</u> pension fund the

25 following percentages of salary for the periods stated:

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1 Beginning July 1, 1909 and prior to July 23, 1943, 1% (except 2 that prior to July 1, 1921 not more than one dollar per month shall be deducted, and except that beginning July 1, 1921 and 3 prior to July 1, 1927 not more than \$2 per month shall be 4 5 deducted); beginning July 23, 1943 and prior to July 20, 1949, 6 3%; beginning July 20, 1949 and prior to July 17, 1959, 5%; 7 beginning July 17, 1959 and prior to July 1, 1971, 7%; beginning July 1, 1971 and prior to July 1, 1975, 7 1/2%; 8 9 beginning July 1, 1975 and prior to January 1, 1987, 8 1/2%; 10 beginning January 1, 1987 and prior to January 1, 2001, 9%; and 11 beginning January 1, 2001, 9.91%. Such sums shall be paid or 12 deducted monthly. Contribution to the self-managed plan shall 13 be no less than 10% of salary.

"Salary" means the annual salary, including longevity, 14 15 attached to the police officer's rank, as established by the 16 municipality's appropriation ordinance, including any 17 compensation for overtime which is included in the salary so established, but excluding any "overtime pay", "holiday pay", 18 "bonus pay", "merit pay", or any other cash benefit not 19 20 included in the salary so established.

21 (Source: P.A. 91-939, eff. 2-1-01.)

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22 (40 ILCS 5/3-128) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-128)
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23 Sec. 3-128. Board created.

24 (a) This subsection (a) applies until January 1, 2021.

25 A board of 5 members shall constitute a board of trustees to

administer the pension fund and to designate the beneficiaries
 thereof. The board shall be known as the "Board of Trustees of
 the Police Pension Fund" of the municipality.

Two members of the board shall be appointed by the mayor or president of the board of trustees of the municipality involved. The 3rd and 4th members of the board shall be elected from the active participants of the pension fund by such active participants. The 5th member shall be elected by and from the beneficiaries.

One of the members appointed by the mayor or president of the board of trustees shall serve for one year beginning on the 2nd Tuesday in May after the municipality comes under this Article. The other appointed member shall serve for 2 years beginning on the same date. Their successors shall serve for 2 years each or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

17 (b) The members of the boards of trustees serving on 18 December 31, 2020 may continue to exercise the powers of that 19 office until March 1, 2021 for the sole purpose of assisting in 20 the consolidation of their respective pension funds, but 21 subject to the supervision and requirements of the Transition 22 Board and the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund.

(c) Beginning January 1, 2021, the Board of Trustees of the
 Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund shall assume the duties of
 the former boards of trustees.

26 The election for board members shall be held biennially on

1 the 3rd Monday in April, at such place or places in the 2 municipality and under the Australian ballot system and such 3 other regulations as shall be prescribed by the appointed 4 members of the board.

5 The active pension fund participants shall be entitled to 6 vote only for the active participant members of the board. All 7 beneficiaries of legal age may vote only for the member chosen 8 from among the beneficiaries. No person shall be entitled to 9 cast more than one ballot at such election. The term of elected 10 members shall be 2 years, beginning on the 2nd Tuesday of the 11 first May after the election.

12 Upon the death, resignation or inability to act of any 13 elected board member, his or her successor shall be elected for 14 the unexpired term at a special election, to be called by the 15 board and conducted in the same manner as the regular biennial 16 election.

Members of the board shall neither receive nor have any right to receive any salary from the pension fund for services performed as trustees in that office.

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20 (Source: P.A. 83-1440.)
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(40 ILCS 5/3-134) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-134)
Sec. 3-134. To submit annual list of <u>Fund</u> fund payments. To
submit annually to the <u>governing body of each participating</u>
<u>municipality</u> city council or board of trustees at the close of
the municipality's fiscal year, a list of persons entitled to

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1 payments from the Fund that are chargeable to the account of 2 the participating municipality fund, stating the amount of payments, and their purpose, as ordered by the Board board. It 3 shall also include items of income accrued to the account of 4 5 the participating municipality fund during the fiscal year. The 6 list shall be signed by the secretary and president of the 7 Board board, and attested under oath. A resolution or order for the payment of money shall not be valid unless approved by a 8 9 majority of the Board board members, and signed by the 10 president and secretary of the Board board.

11 (Source: P.A. 83-1440.)

12 (40 ILCS 5/3-135) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-135)

Sec. 3-135. To invest funds. To determine the limitations 13 on the amounts of cash to be invested in order to maintain such 14 15 cash balances as may be deemed advisable to meet current 16 annuity, benefit, and expense requirements, and to invest the remaining available cash in securities, in accordance with the 17 18 prudent person investment rule and the other provisions of this Article. Beginning on the consolidation date, the Article 1 and 19 20 1A restrictions on the investment of Article 3 Funds no longer 21 apply, except to the extent that they do not also apply to 22 Article 7 of this Code. Beginning January 1, 1998, the board shall invest funds in accordance with Sections 1-113.1 through 23 24 1-113.10 of this Code.

25 (Source: P.A. 90-507, eff. 8-22-97.)

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(40 ILCS 5/3-141) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-141)

Sec. 3-141. Annual report by treasurer. On the 2nd Tuesday 2 3 in May annually through 2021, the treasurer of the municipality 4 and all other officials of the municipality who had the custody 5 of any pension funds herein provided, shall make a sworn 6 statement to the pension board, and to the mayor and council or president and board of trustees of the municipality, of all 7 8 moneys received and paid out by them on account of the pension 9 fund during the year, and of the amount of funds then on hand 10 and owing to the pension fund. The final report required under 11 this subsection shall be due in May of 2021 and shall include 12 the period up to and including the consolidation of the 13 municipality's pension fund into the Fund. All surplus then 14 remaining with any official other than the treasurer shall be 15 paid to the treasurer of the municipality or as directed by the 16 Board. Upon demand of the Board pension board, any official shall furnish a statement relative to the official method of 17 collection or handling of the pension funds. All books and 18 records of that official shall be produced at any time by him 19 20 for examination and inspection by the Board board.

21 (Source: P.A. 83-1440.)

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(40 ILCS 5/3-141a new)

23 <u>Sec. 3-141a. Termination of participation by a</u> 24 <u>participating municipality. If a participating municipality</u> - 65 - LRB101 06695 RPS 51722 b

1	terminates participation because it fails to meet the
2	requirements of Section 3-103, it shall pay to the Fund the
3	amount equal to any net debit balance in its municipality
4	account and any account receivable. Its successors, assigns,
5	and transferees of its assets shall be obligated to make this
6	payment to the extent of the value of assets transferred to
7	them. The Fund shall pay an amount equal to any net credit
8	balance to the participating municipality, its successors or
9	assigns. Any remaining net debit or credit balance not
9 10	assigns. Any remaining net debit or credit balance not collectible or payable shall be transferred to a terminated
10	collectible or payable shall be transferred to a terminated
10 11	collectible or payable shall be transferred to a terminated municipality reserve account. The Fund shall pay to each police
10 11 12	collectible or payable shall be transferred to a terminated municipality reserve account. The Fund shall pay to each police officer of the participating municipality an amount equal to
10 11 12 13	collectible or payable shall be transferred to a terminated municipality reserve account. The Fund shall pay to each police officer of the participating municipality an amount equal to his or her credits in the employee reserves. The employees

17	(40	ILCS	5/3-	-141b	new)
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18	<u>Sec. 3-141b. Authorizations.</u>
19	(a) Each participating municipality shall:
20	(1) deduct all normal and additional contributions
21	from each payment of earnings payable to each participating
22	employee who is entitled to any earnings from the
23	municipality, and remit all normal and additional
24	contributions immediately to the Board; and

25 (2) pay to the Board contributions required by this

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1	Article.
2	(b) Each participating employee shall, by virtue of the
3	payment of contributions to this Fund, receive a vested
4	interest in the annuities and benefits provided in this Article
5	and in consideration of such vested interest shall be deemed to
6	have agreed and authorized the deduction from earnings of all
7	contributions payable to this Fund in accordance with this
8	Article.
9	(c) Payment of earnings less the amounts of contributions
10	provided in this Article shall be a full and complete discharge
11	of all claims for payment for services rendered by any employee
12	during the period covered by any such payment.
13	(40 ILCS 5/4-102.1 new)
14	Sec. 4-102.1. Fund. "Fund" or "pension fund": Until January
15	1, 2021, a firefighters' pension fund established by a
16	municipality under this Article.
17	Beginning January 1, 2021, "Fund" or "pension fund" means
18	the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund with respect to this
19	Article; depending on the context, the terms may include one or
20	more of those previously established pension funds.
21	(40 ILCS 5/4-103) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-103)
22	Sec. 4-103. Municipality; participating municipality;
23	governing body.
24	(a) "Municipality": (1) Any city, township, village or

incorporated town of 5,000 or more but less than 500,000 inhabitants, and any fire protection district having any full-time paid firefighters, and (2) any city, village, incorporated town or township of less than 5,000 inhabitants having a full-time paid fire department which adopts the provisions of this <u>Article</u> article pursuant to the provisions of Section 4-141.

8 (b) The term "participating municipality" means a 9 municipality, as defined in subsection (a), that both is 10 required (or has elected) to and does in fact participate in 11 the Fund with respect to its firefighters under this Article.

12 (c) The term <u>"governing body"</u>, "city council", or "board of 13 trustees" includes the board of trustees of a fire protection 14 district and the board of town trustees or other persons 15 empowered to draft the tentative budget and appropriation 16 ordinance and the electors of such a township acting at the 17 annual or special meeting of town electors.

18 (Source: P.A. 83-1440.)

19 (40 ILCS 5/4-105) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-105)

Sec. 4-105. Board. "Board": <u>Until January 1, 2021, the</u> The "Board of Trustees of the Firefighters' Pension Fund" of a municipality as established in <u>subsection (a) of</u> Section 4-121. <u>Beginning January 1, 2021, the Board of Trustees of the</u> <u>Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund; depending on the context,</u> the term may include the former board of trustees of one or

1	more of those previously established pension funds.
2	(Source: P.A. 83-1440.)
3	(40 ILCS 5/4-105c)
4	Sec. 4-105c. Participant. "Participant": A firefighter or
5	deferred pensioner of <u>the Fund</u> a pension fund, or a beneficiary
6	of the <u>Fund</u> pension fund .
7	(Source: P.A. 90-507, eff. 8-22-97.)
8	(40 ILCS 5/4-105d)
9	Sec. 4-105d. Beneficiary. "Beneficiary": A person
10	receiving benefits from <u>the Fund</u> a pension fund , including, but
11	not limited to, retired pensioners, disabled pensioners, their
12	surviving spouses, minor children, disabled children, and
13	dependent parents.
14	(Source: P.A. 90-507, eff. 8-22-97.)
15	(40 ILCS 5/4-106.5 new)
16	Sec. 4-106.5. Authorized agent of a participating
17	municipality.
18	(a) Each participating municipality shall appoint an
19	authorized agent who shall have the powers and duties set forth
20	in this Section. In the absence of such an appointment, the
21	duties of the authorized agent shall devolve upon the clerk or
22	secretary of the municipality. The authorized agent may be the
23	same person appointed as the authorized agent under Section

1	<u>7-135.</u>
2	(b) The authorized agent of the municipality shall have the
3	following powers and duties:
4	(1) To certify to the Fund whether or not a given
5	person is authorized to participate in the Fund.
6	(2) To certify to the Fund when a participating
7	employee is on a leave of absence authorized by the
8	municipality.
9	(3) To request the proper officer to cause employee
10	contributions to be withheld from salary and promptly
11	transmitted to the Fund.
12	(4) To request the proper officer to cause municipality
13	contributions to be promptly forwarded to the Fund.
14	(5) To forward promptly to all participating employees
15	any communications for such employees from the Fund or the
16	municipality.
17	(6) To forward promptly to the Board of the Fund all
18	applications, claims reports, and other communications
19	delivered to the agent by participating employees.
20	(7) To perform all duties related to the administration
21	of the Fund as requested by the Fund or the governing body
22	of the municipality.
23	(c) The governing body of each participating municipality
24	may delegate either or both of the following powers to its
25	authorized agent:
26	(1) To file a petition for nomination of an executive

1	trustee of the Fund.
2	(2) To cast the ballot for election of an executive
3	trustee of the Fund.
4	If a governing body does not authorize its agent to perform
5	the powers set forth in this Section, they shall be performed
6	by the governing body itself, unless the governing body by
7	resolution duly certified to the Fund delegates them to some
8	other officer or employee.
9	(d) The delivery of any communication or document by an

10 <u>employee or a municipality to the authorized agent of the</u> 11 <u>municipality does not constitute delivery to the Fund.</u>

12 (40 ILCS 5/4-108) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-108)

13 Sec. 4-108. Creditable service.

(a) Creditable service is the time served as a firefighter of a municipality. In computing creditable service, furloughs and leaves of absence without pay exceeding 30 days in any one year shall not be counted, but leaves of absence for illness or accident regardless of length, and periods of disability for which a firefighter received no disability pension payments under this Article, shall be counted.

21 <u>(a-5) Upon the consolidation of the firefighters' pension</u>
22 <u>funds under this Article into the Illinois Municipal Retirement</u>
23 <u>Fund on January 1, 2021, creditable service under any</u>
24 <u>firefighters' pension fund shall be deemed to be creditable</u>
25 <u>service in the Fund, subject to the following provisions:</u>

1	(1) The consolidation of firefighters' pension funds
2	into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund shall not
3	result in the duplication of any service credit based on
4	the same period of service in this or any other pension
5	fund or retirement system subject to this Code.
6	(2) If this Section or any other provision of this
7	Article imposes a limit on the amount of creditable service
8	that may be established for a particular activity or
9	purpose, and prior to consolidation a firefighter has
10	established periods of creditable service for that
11	activity or purpose in more than one former firefighters'
12	pension fund under this Article, which periods are within
13	that limitation for each such fund but together exceed that

14 limitation, then upon consolidation all such credit 15 previously established by the firefighter shall be 16 preserved under the Fund, but no additional creditable 17 service for that activity or purpose may be established by 18 that firefighter in the Fund.

19 <u>(3) The consolidation of firefighters' pension funds</u> 20 <u>into the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund shall not</u> 21 <u>entitle any person or pension fund to a refund of any</u> 22 <u>contribution or payment previously paid or transferred in</u> 23 <u>order to establish or transfer creditable service under</u> 24 <u>this Article.</u>

(b) Furloughs and leaves of absence of 30 days or less inany one year may be counted as creditable service, if the

1 firefighter makes the contribution to the Fund fund that would 2 have been required had he or she not been on furlough or leave 3 of absence. To qualify for this creditable service, the firefighter must pay the required contributions to the Fund 4 5 fund not more than 90 days subsequent to the termination of the furlough or leave of absence, to the extent that 6 the 7 municipality has not made such contribution on his or her 8 behalf.

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(c) Creditable service includes:

10 (1) Service in the military, naval or air forces of the 11 United States entered upon when the person was an active 12 firefighter, provided that, upon applying for a permanent pension, and in accordance with the rules of the board the 13 14 firefighter pays into the Fund fund the amount that would 15 have been contributed had he or she been a regular 16 contributor during such period of service, if and to the 17 extent that the municipality which the firefighter served made no such contributions in his or her behalf. The total 18 19 amount of such creditable service shall not exceed 5 years, 20 except that any firefighter who on July 1, 1973 had more than 5 years of such creditable service shall receive the 21 total amount thereof as of that date. 22

(1.5) Up to 24 months of service in the military,
naval, or air forces of the United States that was served
prior to employment by a municipality or fire protection
district as a firefighter. To receive the credit for the

1 military service prior to the employment as a firefighter, 2 the firefighter must apply in writing to the Fund fund and 3 must make contributions to the Fund fund equal to (i) the employee contributions that would have been required had 4 the service been rendered as a member, plus (ii) an amount 5 6 determined by the Fund fund to be equal to the employer's normal cost of the benefits accrued for that military 7 8 service, plus (iii) interest at the prescribed rate 9 actuarially assumed rate provided by the Department of 10 Financial and Professional Regulation, compounded annually 11 from the first date of membership in the Fund fund to the 12 date of payment on items (i) and (ii). The changes to this paragraph (1.5) made by Public Act 95-1056 this amendatory 13 Act of the 95th General Assembly apply only to 14 15 participating employees in service on or after April 10, 16 2009 (its effective date).

17 (2) Service prior to July 1, 1976 by a firefighter
18 initially excluded from participation by reason of age who
19 elected to participate and paid the required contributions
20 for such service.

(3) Up to 8 years of service by a firefighter as an officer in a statewide firefighters' association when he is on a leave of absence from a municipality's payroll, provided that (i) the firefighter has at least 10 years of creditable service as an active firefighter, (ii) the firefighter contributes to the <u>Fund</u> the amount that he

1 would have contributed had he remained an active member of 2 the Fund fund, (iii) the employee or statewide firefighter 3 association contributes to the Fund fund an amount equal to the employer's required contribution as determined by the 4 5 board, and (iv) for all leaves of absence under this 6 subdivision (3), including those beginning before <u>January</u> 7 5, 2012 (the effective date of Public Act 97-651) this 8 amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, the 9 firefighter continues to remain in sworn status, subject to the professional standards of the public employer or those 10 11 terms established in statute.

12 on-call fireman for (4) Time spent as an а 13 municipality, calculated at the rate of one year of 14 creditable service for each 5 years of time spent as an 15 on-call fireman, provided that (i) the firefighter has at 16 least 18 years of creditable service as an active 17 firefighter, (ii) the firefighter spent at least 14 years as an on-call firefighter for the municipality, (iii) the 18 19 firefighter applies for such creditable service within 30 20 days after August 23, 1989 (the effective date of Public 21 Act 86-273) this amendatory Act of 1989, (iv) the 22 firefighter contributes to the Fund an amount representing 23 employee contributions for the number of years of 24 creditable service granted under this subdivision (4), 25 based on the salary and contribution rate in effect for the firefighter at the date of entry into the Fund, to be 26

determined by the board, and (v) not more than 3 years of creditable service may be granted under this subdivision (4).

Except as provided in Section 4-108.5, creditable 4 5 service shall not include time spent as a volunteer 6 firefighter, whether or not any compensation was received therefor. The change made in this Section by Public Act 7 83-0463 is intended to be a restatement and clarification 8 9 of existing law, and does not imply that creditable service 10 was previously allowed under this Article for time spent as 11 a volunteer firefighter.

12 (5) Time served between July 1, 1976 and July 1, 1988 the position of protective inspection officer or 13 in 14 administrative assistant for fire services, for а 15 municipality with a population under 10,000 that is located 16 in a county with a population over 3,000,000 and that 17 maintains a firefighters' pension fund under this Article, included 18 if the position firefighting duties, 19 notwithstanding that the person may not have held an 20 appointment as a firefighter, provided that application is 21 made to the pension fund within 30 days after November 19, 22 1991 (the effective date of Public Act 87-794) this 23 amendatory Act of 1991, and the corresponding 24 contributions are paid for the number of years of service 25 granted, based upon the salary and contribution rate in 26 effect for the firefighter at the date of entry into the

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pension fund, as determined by the Board.

(6) Service before becoming a participant by a
firefighter initially excluded from participation by
reason of age who becomes a participant under the amendment
to Section 4-107 made by <u>Public Act 87-1265</u> this amendatory
Act of 1993 and pays the required contributions for such
service.

(7) Up to 3 years of time during which the firefighter 8 receives a disability pension under Section 4-110, 9 10 4-110.1, or 4-111, provided that (i) the firefighter 11 returns to active service after the disability for a period at least equal to the period for which credit is to be 12 established and (ii) the firefighter makes contributions 13 14 to the Fund fund based on the rates specified in Section 15 4-118.1 and the salary upon which the disability pension is 16 based. These contributions may be paid at any time prior to the commencement of a retirement pension. The firefighter 17 may, but need not, elect to have the contributions deducted 18 19 from the disability pension or to pay them in installments 20 on a schedule approved by the board. If not deducted from 21 the disability pension, the contributions shall include 22 interest at the rate of 6% per year, compounded annually, from the date for which service credit is being established 23 24 to the date of payment. If contributions are paid under 25 this subdivision (c)(7) in excess of those needed to 26 establish the credit, the excess shall be refunded. This

subdivision (c)(7) applies to persons receiving a disability pension under Section 4-110, 4-110.1, or 4-111 on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly, as well as persons who begin to receive such a disability pension after that date.

6 (8) Up to 6 years of service as a police officer and 7 participant in an Article 3 police pension fund 8 administered by the unit of local government that employs 9 the firefighter under this Article, provided that the 10 service has been transferred to, and the required payment 11 received by, the Article 4 fund in accordance with Section 12 3-110.12 of this Code.

13 (Source: P.A. 100-544, eff. 11-8-17.)

14 (40 ILCS 5/4-118) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-118)

15 Sec. 4-118. Financing; tax.

16 The governing body city council or the board of (a) trustees of a participating the municipality shall annually 17 18 levy a tax upon all the taxable property of the municipality at the rate on the dollar which will produce an amount which, when 19 20 added to the deductions from the salaries or wages of 21 firefighters and revenues available from other sources, will 22 sufficient to meet the annual actuarial equal a sum 23 requirements of the account of the participating municipality 24 pension fund, as determined by an enrolled actuary employed by 25 the Fund Hlinois Department of Insurance or by an enrolled

actuary retained by the pension fund or municipality. For the 1 2 purposes of this Section, the annual actuarial requirements of 3 the account of the participating municipality pension fund are equal to (1) the normal cost of benefits attributable to the 4 5 participating municipality and its firefighters, as determined by an enrolled actuary employed by the Fund of the pension 6 7 fund, or 17.5% of the salaries and wages to be paid to firefighters for the year involved, whichever is greater, plus 8 9 (2) an annual amount sufficient to bring the total assets of 10 the account of the participating municipality pension fund up 11 to 90% of the total actuarial liabilities of the account of the 12 participating municipality pension fund by the end of municipal 13 fiscal year 2040, as annually updated and determined by an enrolled actuary employed by the Fund Hilinois Department of 14 15 Insurance or by an enrolled actuary retained by the pension 16 fund or the municipality. In making these determinations, the 17 required minimum employer contribution shall be calculated each year as a level percentage of payroll over the years 18 remaining up to and including fiscal year 2040 and shall be 19 20 determined under the projected unit credit actuarial cost method. The amount to be applied towards the amortization of 21 22 the unfunded accrued liability in any year shall not be less 23 than the annual amount required to amortize the unfunded accrued liability, including interest, as a level percentage of 24 25 payroll over the number of years remaining in the 40 year 26 amortization period.

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1 (a-5) For purposes of determining the required employer 2 contribution to <u>the Fund</u> a pension fund, the value of the 3 <u>pension fund's</u> assets <u>of the account of the participating</u> 4 <u>municipality</u> shall be equal to the actuarial value of the 5 <u>pension fund's</u> assets <u>of the account of the participating</u> 6 <u>municipality</u>, which shall be calculated as follows:

7 (1) (Blank). On March 30, 2011, the actuarial value of
a pension fund's assets shall be equal to the market value
of the assets as of that date.

10 (2) In determining the actuarial value of the pension 11 fund's assets of the account of the participating 12 municipality for fiscal years after March 30, 2011, any 13 actuarial gains or losses from investment return incurred 14 in a fiscal year shall be recognized in equal annual 15 amounts over the 5-year period following that fiscal year.

16 (b) The tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner as the general taxes of the municipality, and shall be 17 in addition to all other taxes now or hereafter authorized to 18 19 be levied upon all property within the municipality, and in 20 addition to the amount authorized to be levied for general purposes, under Section 8-3-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code or 21 22 under Section 14 of the Fire Protection District Act. The tax 23 shall be forwarded directly to the treasurer of the Fund board within 30 business days of receipt by the county (or, in the 24 25 case of amounts added to the tax levy under subsection (f), 26 used by the municipality to pay the employer contributions

1 required under subsection (b-1) of Section 15-155 of this
2 Code).

3 (b-5) If a participating municipality fails to transmit to the Fund fund contributions required of it under this Article 4 5 for more than 90 days after the payment of those contributions is due, the Fund fund may, after giving notice to the 6 7 municipality, certify to the State Comptroller the amounts of 8 the delinquent payments in accordance with any applicable rules 9 of the Comptroller, and the Comptroller must, beginning in 10 fiscal year 2016, deduct and remit to the Fund, for credit to 11 the account of the participating municipality, fund the 12 certified amounts or a portion of those amounts from the 13 following proportions of payments of State funds to the 14 municipality:

(1) in fiscal year 2016, one-third of the total amount
of any payments of State funds to the municipality;

17 (2) in fiscal year 2017, two-thirds of the total amount
18 of any payments of State funds to the municipality; and

(3) in fiscal year 2018 and each fiscal year
thereafter, the total amount of any payments of State funds
to the municipality.

The State Comptroller may not deduct from any payments of State funds to the municipality more than the amount of delinquent payments certified to the State Comptroller by the <u>Fund fund</u>.

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(c) The <u>Board</u> board shall make available to the membership

and the general public for inspection and copying at reasonable
 times the most recent Actuarial Valuation Balance Sheet and Tax
 Levy Requirement issued to the <u>Fund fund</u> by the Department of
 Insurance.

5 (d) (Blank). The firefighters' pension fund shall consist 6 of the following moneys which shall be set apart by the 7 treasurer of the municipality: (1) all moneys derived from the taxes levied hereunder; (2) contributions by firefighters as 8 provided under Section 4 118.1; (3) all rewards in money, fees, 9 10 gifts, and emoluments that may be paid or given for or on 11 account of extraordinary service by the fire department or any 12 member thereof, except when allowed to be retained by competitive awards; and (4) any money, real estate or personal 13 14 property received by the board.

15 (e) (Blank). For the purposes of this Section, "enrolled 16 actuary" means an actuary: (1) who is a member of the Society 17 of Actuaries or the American Academy of Actuaries; and (2) who is enrolled under Subtitle C of Title III of the Employee 18 Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, or who has been engaged 19 20 in providing actuarial services to one or more public 21 retirement systems for a period of at least 3 years as of July 22 1, 1983.

(f) The corporate authorities of a municipality that employs a person who is described in subdivision (d) of Section 4-106 may add to the tax levy otherwise provided for in this Section an amount equal to the projected cost of the employer

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contributions required to be paid by the municipality to the
 State Universities Retirement System under subsection (b-1) of
 Section 15-155 of this Code.

(g) (Blank). The Commission on Government Forecasting and
Accountability shall conduct a study of all funds established
under this Article and shall report its findings to the General
Assembly on or before January 1, 2013. To the fullest extent
possible, the study shall include, but not be limited to, the
following:

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(1) fund balances;

11 (2) historical employer contribution rates for each 12 fund;

13 (3) the actuarial formulas used as a basis for employer 14 contributions, including the actual assumed rate of return 15 for each year, for each fund;

16(4) available contribution funding sources;17(5) the impact of any revenue limitations caused by

18 PTELL and employer home rule or non home rule status; and 19 (6) existing statutory funding compliance procedures 20 and funding enforcement mechanisms for all municipal 21 pension funds.

22 (Source: P.A. 99-8, eff. 7-9-15.)

23	(40 I	LCS 5	5/4-118.1)	(from	Ch.	108	1/2,	par.	4-118.1)	

24 Sec. 4-118.1. Contributions by firefighters.

25 (a) Beginning January 1, 1976 and until <u>August 6, 1999 (</u>the

effective date of <u>Public Act 91-466</u>) this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly, each firefighter shall contribute to the pension fund 6 3/4% of salary towards the cost of his or her pension. Beginning <u>August 6, 1999</u> on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly, each firefighter shall contribute to the pension fund 6.955% of salary towards the cost of his or her pension.

8 (b) In addition, beginning January 1, 1976, each 9 firefighter shall contribute 1% of salary toward the cost of 10 the increase in pension provided in Section 4-109.1; beginning 11 January 1, 1987, such contribution shall be 1.5% of salary; 12 beginning July 1, 2004, the contribution shall be 2.5% of 13 salary.

(c) Beginning on July 1, 2004 (the effective date of Public 14 15 Act 93-689) this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly, 16 each firefighter who elects to receive a pension under Section 17 4-109.3 and who has participated in at least one other pension fund under this Article for a period of at least one year shall 18 contribute an additional 1.0% of salary toward the cost of the 19 20 increase in pensions provided in Section 4-109.3; except that beginning January 1, 2021, no additional contributions shall be 21 22 paid under this subsection (c).

In the event that a firefighter does not elect to receive a retirement pension provided under Section 4-109.3 from one or more of the pension funds <u>under this Article</u> in which the firefighter has credit, he or she shall, upon withdrawal from

the last pension fund as defined in Section 4-109.3, be 1 2 entitled to receive, from each such fund to which he or she has paid additional contributions under this subsection (c) and 3 from which he or she does not receive a refund under Section 4 5 4-116, a refund of those contributions without interest. Beginning January 1, 2021, however, such refunds shall be 6 payable from the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund and 7 8 chargeable to the appropriate municipal accounts and reserves.

9 A refund of total contributions to a particular firefighter 10 pension fund under Section 4-116 shall include any refund of 11 additional contributions paid to that fund under this 12 subsection (c), but a firefighter who accepts a refund from a 13 pension fund under Section 4-116 is thereafter ineligible to receive a pension provided under Section 4-109.3 from that 14 15 fund. A firefighter who meets the eligibility requirements of 16 Section 4-109.3 may receive a pension under Section 4-109.3 17 from any pension fund from which the firefighter has not received a refund under Section 4-116 or under this subsection 18 19 (c); except that beginning January 1, 2021 (the consolidation 20 date), such pensions shall be payable from the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund as provided in Section 4-109.3 and 21 22 chargeable to the appropriate municipal accounts and reserves.

(d) "Salary" means the annual salary, including longevity, attached to the firefighter's rank, as established by the municipality appropriation ordinance, including any compensation for overtime which is included in the salary so 1 established, but excluding any "overtime pay", "holiday pay", 2 "bonus pay", "merit pay", or any other cash benefit not 3 included in the salary so established.

4 (e) The contributions shall be deducted and withheld from5 the salary of firefighters.

6 (Source: P.A. 93-689, eff. 7-1-04.)

7 (40 ILCS 5/4-121) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-121)

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Sec. 4-121. Board created.

(a) This subsection (a) applies until January 1, 2021.

10 There is created in each municipality or fire protection 11 district a board of trustees to be known as the "Board of 12 Trustees of the Firefighters' Pension Fund". The membership of the board for each municipality shall be, respectively, as 13 follows: in cities, the treasurer, clerk, marshal or chief 14 15 officer of the fire department, and the comptroller if there is 16 one, or if not, the mayor; in each township, village or incorporated town, the president of the municipality's board of 17 trustees, the village or town clerk, village or town attorney, 18 village or town treasurer, and the chief officer of the fire 19 20 department; and in each fire protection district, the president 21 and other 2 members of its board of trustees and the marshal or 22 chief of its fire department or service, as the case may be; and in all the municipalities above designated 3 additional 23 24 persons chosen from their active firefighters and one other 25 person who has retired under the Firemen's Pension Fund Act of

1 1919, or this Article. <u>The Notwithstanding any provision of</u> this Section to the contrary, the term of office of each member of a board established on or before the 3rd Monday in April, 2006 shall terminate on the 3rd Monday in April, 2006, but all incumbent members shall continue to exercise all of the powers and be subject to all of the duties of a member of the board until all the new members of the board take office.

8 Beginning on the 3rd Monday in April, 2006 and until 9 January 1, 2021, the board of trustees for each municipality or fire protection district shall consist of 5 members. Two 10 11 members of the board shall be appointed by the mayor or 12 president of the board of trustees of the municipality or fire 13 protection district involved. Two members of the board shall be active participants of the pension fund who are elected from 14 15 the active participants of the fund. One member of the board 16 shall be a person who is retired under the Firemen's Pension 17 Fund Act of 1919 or this Article who is elected from persons retired under the Firemen's Pension Fund Act of 1919 or this 18 19 Article.

For the purposes of this Section, a firefighter receiving a disability pension shall be considered a retired firefighter. In the event that there are no retired firefighters under the Fund or if none is willing to serve on the board, then an additional active firefighter shall be elected to the board in lieu of the retired firefighter that would otherwise be elected.

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Ιf regularly constituted fire department 1 the of а 2 municipality is dissolved and Section 4-106.1 is not applicable, the board shall continue to exist and administer 3 4 the Fund so long as there continues to be any annuitant or 5 deferred pensioner in the Fund. In such cases, elections shall 6 continue to be held as specified in this Section, except that: 7 (1) deferred pensioners shall be deemed to be active members for the purposes of such elections; (2) any otherwise 8 9 unfillable positions on the board, including ex officio positions, shall be filled by election from the remaining 10 11 firefighters and deferred pensioners of the Fund, to the extent 12 possible; and (3) if the membership of the board falls below 3 13 persons, the Illinois Director of Insurance or his designee shall be deemed a member of the board, ex officio. 14

15 <u>(b) The members of the boards of trustees serving on</u> 16 <u>December 31, 2020 may continue to exercise the powers of that</u> 17 <u>office until March 1, 2021 for the sole purpose of assisting in</u> 18 <u>the consolidation of their respective pension funds, but</u> 19 <u>subject to the supervision and requirements of the Transition</u> 20 Board.

(c) Beginning January 1, 2021, the Board of Trustees of the
 Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund shall assume the duties of
 the former boards of trustees.

The members chosen from the active and retired firefighters shall be elected by ballot at elections to be held on the 3rd Monday in April of the applicable years under the Australian

ballot system, at such place or places, in the municipality, 1 and under such regulations as shall be prescribed by the board. 2 No person shall cast more than one vote for each candidate 3 for whom he or she is eligible to vote. In the elections for 4 board members to be chosen from the active firefighters, all 5 active firefighters and no others may vote. In the elections 6 for board members to be chosen from retired firefighters, the 7 retired firefighters and no others may vote. 8

Each member of the board so elected shall hold office for a 9 10 term of 3 years and until his or her successor has been duly 11 elected and qualified.

12 The board shall canvass the ballots and declare which persons have been elected and for what term or terms 13 respectively. In case of a tie vote between 2 or more 14 candidates, the board shall determine by lot which candidate or 15 16 candidates have been elected and for what term or terms respectively. In the event of the failure, resignation, or 17 inability to act of any board member, a successor shall be 18 19 elected for the unexpired term at a special election called by 20 the board and conducted in the same manner as a regular election. 21

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The board shall elect annually from its members a president 23 and secretary.

Board members shall not receive or have any right to 24 25 receive any salary from a pension fund for services performed 26 as board members.

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1 (Source: P.A. 100-201, eff. 8-18-17.)

(40 ILCS 5/4-124) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-124) 2 3 Sec. 4-124. To enforce contributions. To assess each 4 firefighter the contributions required under Section 4-118.1. 5 The contributions deducted from salaries, together with all 6 interest accruing thereon, shall be paid promptly placed by the 7 treasurer of the municipality as ex officio treasurer of the board, to the Treasurer credit of the Fund pension fund, 8 9 subject to the order of the Board board.

10 (Source: P.A. 83-1440.)

11 (40 ILCS 5/4-128) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-128)

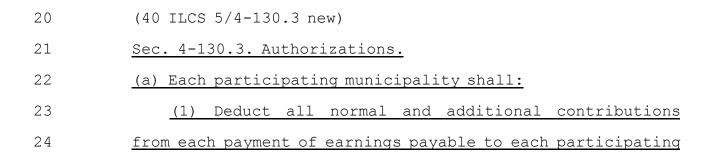
Sec. 4-128. To invest funds. To determine the limitations 12 13 on the amounts of cash to be invested in order to maintain such 14 cash balances as may be deemed advisable to meet current 15 annuity, benefit, and expense requirements, and to invest the remaining available cash in securities, in accordance with the 16 17 prudent person investment rule and the other provisions of this 18 Article. Beginning on the consolidation date, the Article 1 and 19 1A restrictions on the investment of Article 4 Funds no longer 20 apply, to the extent that they do not also apply to Article 7 21 of this Code. Beginning January 1, 1998, the board shall invest 22 funds in accordance with Sections 1-113.1 through 1-113.10 of 23 this Code.

24 (Source: P.A. 90-507, eff. 8-22-97.)

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(40 ILCS 5/4-130.1 new)

2 Sec. 4-130.1. Termination of participation by a 3 participating municipality. If a participating municipality 4 terminates participation because it fails to meet the requirements of Section 3-103, it shall pay to the Fund the 5 amount equal to any net debit balance in its municipality 6 7 account and any account receivable. Its successors, assigns, 8 and transferees of its assets shall be obligated to make this 9 payment to the extent of the value of assets transferred to 10 them. The Fund shall pay an amount equal to any net credit 11 balance to the participating municipality, its successors or 12 assigns. Any remaining net debit or credit balance not 13 collectible or payable shall be transferred to a terminated municipality reserve account. The Fund shall pay to each 14 15 firefighter of the participating municipality an amount equal 16 to his or her credits in the employee reserves. The employees shall have no further rights to any benefits from the Fund, 17 18 except that annuities awarded prior to the date of termination 19 shall continue to be paid.



1	employee who is entitled to any earnings from the			
2	municipality, and remit all normal and additional			
3	contributions immediately to the Board; and			
4	(2) Pay to the Board contributions required by this			
5	Article.			
6	(b) Each participating employee shall, by virtue of the			
7	payment of contributions to this Fund, receive a vested			
8	interest in the annuities and benefits provided in this Article			
9	and in consideration of such vested interest shall be deemed to			
10	have agreed and authorized the deduction from earnings of all			
11	contributions payable to this Fund in accordance with this			
12	<u>Article.</u>			
13	(c) Payment of earnings less the amounts of contributions			
14	provided in this Article shall be a full and complete discharge			
15	of all claims for payment for services rendered by any employee			
16	during the period covered by any such payment.			
17	(40 ILCS 5/4-134) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 4-134)			
18	Sec. 4-134. Report for tax levy.			
19	(a) The <u>Board</u> board shall report to the <u>governing body of</u>			
20	each participating city council or board of trustees of the			
21	municipality on the condition of the <u>Fund</u> pension fund at the			
22	end of its most recently completed fiscal year. The report			
23	shall be made prior to the council or board meeting held for			
24	appropriating and levying taxes for the year for which the			
25	report is made.			

- 1 The pension board in the report shall certify and provide 2 the following information to the city council or board of 3 trustees of the municipality:
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 (1) the total assets of the fund and <u>the</u> their current market value of those assets;

6 (2) the estimated receipts during the next succeeding 7 fiscal year from deductions from the salaries or wages of 8 firefighters, and from all other sources;

9 (3) the estimated amount necessary during the fiscal 10 year to meet the annual actuarial requirements of the 11 pension fund as provided in Sections 4-118 and 4-120;

(4) the total net income received from investment of assets along with the assumed investment return and actual investment return received by the <u>Fund fund</u> during its most recently completed fiscal year compared to the total net income, assumed investment return, and actual investment return received during the preceding fiscal year;

18 (5) the increase in employer pension contributions 19 that results from the implementation of the provisions of 20 <u>Public Act 93-689</u> this amendatory Act of the 93rd General 21 Assembly;

(6) the total number of active employees who arefinancially contributing to the fund;

(7) the total amount that was disbursed in benefits
during the fiscal year, including the number of and total
amount disbursed to (i) annuitants in receipt of a regular

1 retirement pension, (ii) recipients being paid a
2 disability pension, and (iii) survivors and children in
3 receipt of benefits;

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(8) the funded ratio of the Fund fund; and

5 (9) the unfunded liability carried by the <u>Fund</u> fund,
6 along with an actuarial explanation of the unfunded
7 liability.; and

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the statutory investment restrictions imposed on the fund.

(10) the investment policy of the pension board under

Before the <u>Board</u> pension board makes its report, the <u>Fund</u> municipality shall have the assets of the <u>Fund</u> fund and their current market value verified by an independent certified public accountant of its choice.

14 (b) A participating The municipality is authorized to 15 publish the report submitted under this Section. This 16 publication may be made, without limitation, by publication in 17 a local newspaper of general circulation in the municipality or by publication on the municipality's Internet website. If the 18 19 municipality publishes the report, then that publication must 20 include all of the information relating to that municipality 21 submitted by the Board pension board under subsection (a).

22 (Source: P.A. 95-950, eff. 8-29-08.)

23 (40 ILCS 5/7-175) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 7-175)

24 Sec. 7-175. Board elections.

25 (a) During the period beginning on August 1 and ending on

September 15 of each year the board shall accept nominations of
 candidates for election to the trusteeships for terms beginning
 the next January 1, new trusteeships or vacancies to be filled
 by election.

5 (b) All nominations shall be by petition. Three petitions 6 for an executive trustee shall be signed by governing bodies of 7 contributing participating municipalities or 8 instrumentalities.

9 A petition for an employee trustee shall be signed by at 10 least 350 participating employees who were participants during 11 July of the current year and who, if their employment status 12 remained unchanged, would be eligible to vote for such 13 candidate at the following election.

A petition for an annuitant trustee shall be signed by at least 100 persons who were annuitants of the Fund during July of the current year and who, if their annuitant status remains unchanged, would be eligible to vote for the candidate at the following election.

(c) A separate ballot shall be used for each class of trustee and the names of all candidates properly nominated in petitions received by the board shall be placed in alphabetical order upon the proper ballot. Where two employee trustees are elected to a full term in the same year, there shall be one election for the two trusteeships and the two candidates getting the highest number of votes shall be elected.

26 (d) At any election, each contributing participating

and participating instrumentality 1 municipality and each 2 contributing participating employee employed by such 3 participating municipality or participating instrumentality during September of any year, shall be entitled to vote as 4 5 follows:

6 1. The governing body of each such participating 7 municipality and participating instrumentality shall have 8 one vote at any election in which an executive trustee is 9 to be elected, and may cast such vote for any candidate on 10 the executive trustee ballot.

Each participating employee shall have one vote at
 any election in which an employee trustee is to be elected,
 and may cast such vote for any candidate on the employee
 trustee ballot.

15 3. Each annuitant of the Fund shall have one vote at 16 any election in which an annuitant trustee is to be 17 elected, and may cast that vote for any candidate on the 18 annuitant trustee ballot.

4. A vote may be cast for a person not on the ballot by
 writing in his or her name.

(e) The election shall be by ballot pursuant to the rules and regulations established by the board and shall be completed by December 31 of the year. The results shall be entered in the minutes of the meeting of the board following the tally of votes.

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(f) In case of a tie vote, the candidate employed by or

retired from the participating municipality or participating
 instrumentality having the greatest number of participating
 employees at the time shall be elected.

4 (q) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Article, if 5 only one candidate is properly nominated in petitions received by the Board, that candidate shall be deemed the winner. In the 6 7 case of 2 employee trustees elected to a full term in the same 8 year, if only 2 candidates are properly nominated in petitions 9 received by the Board, those 2 candidates shall both be deemed 10 winners. If a candidate is deemed a winner under this 11 paragraph, no election under this Section or Section 7-175.1 12 shall be required.

(h) For the purposes of this Section, "annuitant" includes
 a person who receives an annuity pursuant to Article 3 or 4.

15 For the purposes of this Section, "contributing 16 participating municipality" includes a municipality that 17 participates in Article 3 or 4.

18 For the purposes of this Section, "participating employee" 19 includes a police officer under Article 3 or a firefighter 20 under Article 4.

21 (Source: P.A. 98-932, eff. 8-15-14.)

(40 ILCS 5/7-175.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 7-175.1)
Sec. 7-175.1. Election of employee and annuitant trustees.
(a) The board shall prepare and send ballots and ballot
envelopes to the employees, including police officers under

Article 3 and firefighters under Article 4, and annuitants eligible to vote as of September of that year. The ballots shall contain the names of all candidates in alphabetical order and an appropriate place where a name may be written in on the ballot. The ballot envelope shall have on the outside a form of certificate stating that the person voting the ballot is a participating employee or annuitant entitled to vote.

8 (b) Employees and annuitants, upon receipt of the ballot, 9 shall vote the ballot and place it in the ballot envelope, seal 10 the envelope, execute the certificate thereon and return the 11 ballot to the Fund.

12 (c) The board shall set a final date for ballot return, and 13 ballots received prior to that date in a ballot envelope with a 14 properly executed certificate and properly voted, shall be 15 valid ballots.

16 (d) The board shall set a day for counting the ballots and 17 name judges and clerks of election to conduct the count of 18 ballots, and shall make any rules and regulations necessary for 19 the conduct of the count.

(e) No election under this Section shall be required if a
candidate is deemed the winner under subsection (g) of Section
7-175.

(f) Nothing in this Section shall preclude the Board from adopting rules that provide for Internet balloting or phone balloting in addition to election by mail under this Section. An Internet or phone ballot cast in accordance with rules

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1	adopted under this subsection shall be a valid ballot.
2	(Source: P.A. 100-935, eff. 1-1-19.)
3	Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding
4	Section 8.43 as follows:
5	(30 ILCS 805/8.43 new)
6	Sec. 8.43. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8
7	of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the
8	implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of
9	the 101st General Assembly.
10	Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
11	becoming law, except that Sections 5 and 15 take effect January

12 1, 2021.

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