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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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40 ILCS 5/17-139
from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-138
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Amends the Chicago Teacher Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that the trustee position currently held by a principal may be held by an assistant principal or administrator and makes corresponding changes. Effective immediately.

AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by changing Sections 17-137, 17-138, and 17-139 as follows:
(40 ILCS 5/17-137) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-137)
Sec. 17-137. Board created. There shall be elected a Board of Trustees, herein also referred to as the "Board", to administer and control the Fund created by this Article. The Board shall consist of 12 members, 2 of whom shall be members of the Board of Education, 6 of whom shall be contributors who are not principals, assistant principals, or administrators, one of whom shall be a contributor who is a principal, assistant principal, or administrator, and 3 of whom shall be pensioners, all to be chosen as provided in this Article. (Source: P.A. 89-136, eff. 7-14-95; 90-566, eff. 1-2-98.)
(40 ILCS 5/17-138) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-138)
Sec. 17-138. Board membership. At the first meeting of the Board of Education in November of each year, the Board of Education shall appoint one of its members to serve, while a member of the Board of Education, on the Board of Trustees for a term of 2 years.

On the last school day of the 4 th week of October of each year there shall be elected 2 members of the Board from the teachers other than principals, assistant principals, and administrators, who shall hold office for terms of 3 years while retaining their status as teachers other than principals, assistant principals, and administrators, and other members to fill unexpired terms. In the event that schools are not in session on or during the week prior to the last Friday in October, this election shall be held on the Friday of the first
subsequent full week of school. The election shall be by secret ballot and shall be held in such manner as the Board by bylaws or rules shall provide. Only teachers who are not principals, assistant principals, or administrators shall be eligible to vote in the election.

During the first week of November of 1995 and every third year thereafter, one contributor who is a principal, assistant principal, or administrator shall be elected a member of the Board. This trustee shall hold office for a term of 3 years while retaining his or her status as a principal, assistant principal, or administrator. The election shall be by mail ballot and only contributors who are principals, assistant principals, or administrators shall be eligible to vote. The election shall be held in the manner provided by the Board by rule or bylaw.

During the first week of November of each odd-numbered year there shall be elected 3 members of the Board from the pensioners, who shall hold office for a term of 2 years while retaining their status as pensioners. The election shall be by mail ballot to all service and disability pensioners, and shall be held in such manner as the Board by bylaws or rules shall provide.

All trustees, while members of the Board of Education or while (i) principals, assistant principals, administrators, (ii) teachers other than principals, assistant principals, and administrators, or (iii) pensioners, as the case may be, shall hold their offices until their successors shall have been appointed or elected and qualified by subscribing to the constitutional oath of office at the immediately succeeding regular meeting of the Board.
(Source: P.A. 89-136, eff. 7-14-95; 90-566, eff. 1-2-98.)
(40 ILCS 5/17-139) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-139)
Sec. 17-139. Board elections and vacancies.
(1) Contributors other than principals election. Every member who is not a principal, assistant principal, or
administrator may vote at the election for as many persons as there are trustees to be elected by the contributors who are not principals, assistant principals, or administrators. The name of a candidate shall not be printed upon the ballot unless he or she has been assigned on a regular certificate for at least 10 years in the Chicago public schools or charter schools and nominated by a petition signed by not less than 200 contributors who are not principals, assistant principals, or administrators.

Petitions shall be filed with the recording secretary of the fund on or after September 15 of each year and not later than October 1st of that year. No more than one candidate may be nominated by any one petition. If the nominations do not exceed the number of candidates to be elected, the canvassing board shall declare the nominated candidates elected. Otherwise, candidates receiving the highest number of votes cast for their respective terms shall be declared elected. The location and number of polling places shall be designated by the Board. The election shall be conducted by the teachers who are not principals, assistant principals, or administrators, and the judges of the election shall be selected from the teachers who are not principals, assistant principals, or administrators, in such manner as the board in its bylaws or rules provides.

Elections to fill vacancies on the Board shall be held at the next annual election.
(2) Pensioners election. The name of a candidate shall not be printed on the ballot unless he or she has been nominated by a petition signed by not less than 100 pensioners of the Fund. Petitions shall be filed with the recording secretary of the Fund on or before October 1 of the odd-numbered year. If the nominations do not exceed 3, the mailing of ballots shall be eliminated and the nominated candidates shall be declared elected. Otherwise, the 3 candidates receiving the highest number of votes cast shall be declared elected. The mailing and counting of the ballots shall be conducted by the office of the

Fund with volunteer assistance from pensioners at the request of the Board.
(3) Election of principal, assistant principal, or administrator Pine eletion. The name of a candidate shall not be printed on the ballot unless he or she has been nominated by a petition signed by at least 25 contributors who are principals, assistant principals, or administrators. Petitions shall be filed with the recording secretary of the Fund on or before October 1 of the election year. If only one eligible candidate is nominated, the election shall not be held and the nominated candidate shall be declared elected. Otherwise, the candidate receiving the highest number of votes cast shall be declared elected. The mailing and counting of the ballots shall be conducted by the office of the Fund.
(4) Vacancies. The Board may fill vacancies occurring in the membership of the Board elected by the principals, assistant principals, or administrators, the teachers other than principals, assistant principals, or administrators, or the pensioners at any regular meeting of the Board. The Board of Education may fill vacancies occurring in the membership of the Board appointed by the Board of Education at any regular meeting of the Board of Education. (Source: P.A. 89-136, eff. 7-14-95; 90-566, eff. 1-2-98.)

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

