

## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 HB4566

Introduced 2/5/2020, by Rep. John M. Cabello

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/4-108.7 40 ILCS 5/6-227.1 30 ILCS 805/8.44 new

Amends the Downstate Firefighter and Chicago Firefighter Articles of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that until January 1, 2021 (instead of 6 months after August 23, 2019 (the effective date of Public Act 101-474)), creditable service may be transferred from a municipal firefighters' pension fund to the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago and may be transferred from the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago to a municipal firefighters' pension fund. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

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

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

Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by changing

Sections 4-108.7 and 6-227.1 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/4-108.7)

Sec. 4-108.7. Transfer of creditable service from the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago. Until <u>January 1</u>, <u>2021 6 months after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 101st General Assembly</u>, any active participant in a fund established under this Article may transfer to that fund creditable service accumulated under Article 6 of this Code upon payment to the Article 4 fund, within 5 years after the date of application, of an amount equal to the difference between the amount of employee and employer contributions transferred to the Article 4 fund under Section 6-227.1 and the amounts determined by the Article 4 fund in accordance with this Section, plus interest on that difference at the actuarially assumed rate, compounded annually, from the date of service to the date of payment.

The Article 4 fund must determine the firefighter's payment required to establish creditable service under this Section by taking into account the appropriate actuarial assumptions,

including without limitation the firefighter's service, age, 1 2 and salary history; the level of funding of the Article 4 fund; and any other factors that the Article 4 fund determines to be 3 relevant. For this purpose, the firefighter's required payment 5 should result in no significant increase to the Article 4 fund's unfunded actuarial accrued liability determined as of 6 7 the most recent actuarial valuation, based on the same 8 assumptions and methods used to develop and report the Article 9 4 fund's actuarial accrued liability and actuarial value of 10 assets under Statement No. 25 of Governmental Accounting 11 Standards Board or any subsequent applicable Statement.

13 (40 ILCS 5/6-227.1)

(Source: P.A. 101-474, eff. 8-23-19.)

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Sec. 6-227.1. Transfer of creditable service to Article 4.

- (a) Until January 1, 2021 6 months after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 101st General Assembly, any active participant in an Article 4 pension fund may apply for transfer of creditable service accumulated in the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago to any Article 4 pension fund. Such creditable service shall be transferred only upon payment by the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago to the Article 4 fund of an amount equal to:
  - (1) the amounts accumulated to the credit of the applicant on the books of the fund on the date of transfer;
    - (2) employer contributions in an amount equal to the

- 1 amount determined under subparagraph (1); and
- 2 (3) any interest paid by the applicant in order to
- 3 reinstate service.
- 4 Participation in the Firemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of
- 5 Chicago as to any credits transferred under this Section shall
- 6 terminate on the date of transfer.
- 7 (b) An active participant in an Article 4 pension fund
- 8 applying for a transfer of creditable service under subsection
- 9 (a) may reinstate credits and creditable service terminated
- 10 upon receipt of a refund by payment to the Article 4 pension
- 11 fund of the amount of the refund with interest thereon at the
- 12 actuarially assumed rate, compounded annually, from the date of
- 13 the refund to the date of payment.
- 14 (Source: P.A. 101-474, eff. 8-23-19.)
- 15 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding
- 16 Section 8.44 as follows:
- 17 (30 ILCS 805/8.44 new)
- Sec. 8.44. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8
- of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the
- 20 implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of
- 21 the 101st General Assembly.
- 22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 23 becoming law.