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AN ACT in relation to 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 Section 6-164 as follows:

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

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

(a) A fireman qualifying for a minimum annuity who 9 retires from service after September 1, 1959 shall, upon 10 either the first of the month following the first anniversary 11 of his date of retirement if he is age 60 (age 55 if born 12 13 before January 1, 1945) or over on that anniversary date, or upon the first of the month following his attainment of age 14 60 (age 55 if born before January 1, 1945) if that occurs 15 16 after the first anniversary of his retirement date, have his then fixed and payable monthly annuity increased by 1 1/2%, 17 and such first fixed annuity as granted at retirement 18 increased by an additional 1 1/2% in January of each year 19 20 thereafter up to a maximum increase of 30%. Beginning July 1982 for firemen born before January 1, 1930, and 21 1, beginning January 1, 1990 for firemen born after December 31, 22 1929 and before January 1, 1940, and beginning January 1, 23 1996 for firemen born after December 31, 1939 but before 24 January 1, 1945, and beginning January 1, 2004 for all 25 firemen qualifying under this subsection without regard to 26 27 date of birth, such increases shall be 3% and such firemen 28 shall not be subject to the 30% maximum increase. <u>Beginning</u> 29 January 1, 2004, the increases provided under this subsection shall be 3% of the total amount of annuity payable at the 30 time of the increase, including any previous increases 31

1 granted under this Article.

Any fireman born before January 1, 1945 who qualifies for 2 a minimum annuity and retires after September 1, 1967 but 3 4 before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly and has not received the initial increase 5 under this subsection before January 1, 1996 is entitled to 6 receive the initial increase under this subsection on (1) 7 January 1, 1996, (2) the first anniversary of the date of 8 9 retirement, or (3) attainment of age 55, whichever occurs The changes to this Section made by this amendatory 10 last. 11 Act of 1995 apply beginning January 1, 1996 and apply without regard to whether the fireman or annuitant terminated service 12 before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1995. 13

A fireman who withdraws from service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly with at least 20 years of service credit is entitled to receive the initial increase under this subsection on the first anniversary of the date of retirement, regardless of age.

A fireman who withdrew from service before the effective 20 21 date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly with 22 at least 20 years of service credit and has not received the 23 initial increase under this subsection before January 1, 2004 is entitled to receive the initial increase under this 24 subsection on the later of January 1, 2004 or the first 25 anniversary of the date of retirement, regardless of age. 26 The changes to this Section made by this amendatory Act apply 27 without regard to whether the fireman or annuitant terminated 28 29 service before the effective date of this amendatory Act.

30 (b) Subsection (a) of this Section is not applicable to31 an employee receiving a term annuity.

32 (c) To help defray the cost of such increases in 33 annuity, there shall be deducted, beginning September 1, 34 1959, from each payment of salary to a fireman, 1/8 of 1% of each such salary payment and an additional 1/8 of 1%
 beginning on September 1, 1961, and September 1, 1963,
 respectively, concurrently with and in addition to the salary
 deductions otherwise made for annuity purposes.

5 Each such additional 1/8 of 1% deduction from salary 6 which shall, on September 1, 1963, result in a total increase 7 of 3/8 of 1% of salary, shall be credited to the Automatic 8 Increase Reserve, to be used, together with city 9 contributions as provided in this Article, to defray the cost of the 1\$1/2% annuity increments herein specified. 10 Anv 11 balance in such reserve as of the beginning of each calendar year shall be credited with interest at the rate of 3% per 12 13 annum.

The salary deductions provided in this Section are not 14 15 subject to refund, except to the fireman himself, in any case 16 in which a fireman withdraws prior to qualification for minimum annuity and applies for refund, or applies for 17 annuity, and also where a term annuity becomes payable. 18 Τn 19 such cases, the total of such salary deductions shall be refunded to the fireman, without interest, and charged to the 20 21 aforementioned reserve.

22 (Source: P.A. 89-136, eff. 7-14-95.)

- 23 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding 24 Section 8.27 as follows:
- 25 (30 ILCS 805/8.27 new)

26 <u>Sec. 8.27. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6</u> 27 <u>and 8 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required</u> 28 <u>for the implementation of any mandate created by this</u> 29 <u>amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.</u>

30 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 31 becoming law.