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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:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by
5 adding Section 6-141.2 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/6-141.2 new)

Sec. 6-141.2. Minimum annuity for certain widows. 7 8 Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Article, the 9 widow's annuity payable to the widow of a fireman who dies on or after July 1, 1997 while an active fireman with at least 10 10 years of creditable service shall be no less than 50% of 11 12 the retirement annuity that the deceased fireman would have 13 been eligible to receive if he had attained age 50 and 20 years of service on the day before his death and retired on 14 15 that day. In the case of a widow's annuity that is payable on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 93rd 16 17 General Assembly, the increase provided by this Section, if 18 any, shall begin to accrue on the first annuity payment date 19 following that effective date.

20 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding 21 Section 8.27 as follows:

22 (30 ILCS 805/8.27 new)

23 <u>Sec. 8.27. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6</u> 24 <u>and 8 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required</u> 25 <u>for the implementation of any mandate created by this</u> 26 <u>amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.</u>

27 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon28 becoming law.