95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/11-158 30 ILCS 805/8.31 new from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 11-158

Amends the Chicago Laborers Article of the Illinois Pension Code. With respect to certain duty and ordinary disability benefits and widow's compensation and supplemental benefits payable by the Fund, replaces existing provisions relating to the offset of amounts received under the Workers' Compensation Act or Workers' Occupational Diseases Act or related settlements with new provisions applying to those offsets and the administration, commencement, and amount of those benefits. 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

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AN ACT in relation to public employee benefits.

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

Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by changing
Section 11-158 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/11-158) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 11-158)

Sec. 11-158. When disability benefit not payable.

(a) If an employee receiving duty or ordinary disability 8 9 benefit refuses to submit to examination by a physician appointed by the board, or fails or refuses to consent to and 10 11 sign an authorization allowing the board to receive copies of or examine the employee's medical and hospital records, or 12 fails or refuses to provide complete information regarding any 13 14 other employment for compensation he has received since he has become disabled, he shall have no further right to receive the 15 16 benefit.

(b) Disability benefit shall not be paid for any time for which the employee receives any part of his salary or while employed by any public body supported in whole or in part by taxation.

(c) <u>Before any action is taken by the Board on an</u>
 <u>application for a duty disability benefit or a widow's</u>
 <u>compensation or supplemental benefit, the employee or widow</u>

1 shall file a claim with the employer to establish that the 2 disability or death occurred while the employee was acting 3 within the scope of and in the course of his duties.

4 Any amounts provided to the employee or surviving spouse 5 either as temporary total disability payments, permanent total disability payments, a lump sum settlement, award, or other 6 payment under the Workers' Compensation Act or Workers' 7 8 Occupational Diseases Act shall be applied as an offset to the 9 disability benefit paid by the Fund, whether duty or ordinary, or any widow compensation or supplemental benefit payable 10 11 hereunder until a period of time has elapsed when the benefit 12 payable equals the amount of such compensation, payment, or award. The duty disability benefit will be offset at the rate 13 14 of the amount of temporary total disability payments or permanent disability payments made under the Workers' 15 16 Compensation Act or Workers' Occupational Diseases Act.

17 If such amounts are not readily determinable or if an employee has not received temporary total disability payments 18 19 or permanent weekly or monthly payments for the entire period 20 of disability up to the time of the compensation, payment, or 21 award under the Workers' Compensation Act or Workers' 22 Occupational Diseases Act, the disability benefit paid by the 23 Fund will be offset by 66 2/3% of the employee's salary on the 24 date of disablement. The offset will not be greater than the 25 amount of disability benefits due from the Fund. The offset will be applied until a period of time has elapsed when the 26

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benefit payable equals the amount of such compensation, 1 2 payment, or award. This offset will not apply to the initial 3 days of disability when workers' compensation would not 4 ordinarily be payable. 5 The amount of compensation or supplemental annuity payable to a widow will be offset by any compensation, payment, or 6 7 award until a period of time has elapsed when the benefit 8 payable equals the amount of such compensation, payment, or 9 award. 10 If an employee who has been disabled has received ordinary 11 disability from the fund and also receives any compensation or 12 payment for specific loss, disability, or death under the Workers' Compensation Act or Workers' Occupational Diseases 13 14 Act, the ordinary disability benefit must be repaid to the fund before any other benefit under this Article can be granted or 15 16 paid. If no other benefit is applied for, the ordinary 17 disability would be offset according to the provisions of this 18 Section. 19 The employee and the employer shall provide the Fund on a 20 timely basis, with the entry of the settlement contract lump sum petition and order settlement of any such lawsuit, 21 22 including all details of the settlement. 23 If an employee who shall be disabled or his widow rece 24 any compensation or payment from the city for specific loss, 25 disability or death under the Workers' Compensation Act,

26 Workers' Occupational Diseases Act, and the disability or

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injury or loss which forms the basis for any compensation, 1 2 award, pension or payment for a specific loss is also a condition which renders such employee incapable of performing 3 his duties in the service, the disability benefit shall be 4 5 reduced by any amount so received if such amount is less than 6 the benefit or, subject to adjustment when final determination 7 of the amount received can be made, the amount estimated to be received under the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act 8 9 or Workers' Occupational Diseases Act. If the amount received 10 as compensation, payment or award under the aforesaid Acts 11 exceeds the disability benefit, no payment of benefit shall be 12 made until a period of time has elapsed when the benefit payable at the rate herein stated equals the amount of 13 such compensation, payment or award. In calculating any such period 14 of time, interest upon the amounts involved shall not be 15 16 considered.

17 (d) An employee who enters service after December 31, 1987, or an employee who makes application for a disability benefit 18 or applies for a disability benefit for a recurrence of a 19 20 previous disability, and who, while in receipt of an ordinary duty disability benefit, assumes any employment for 21 or 22 compensation, shall not be entitled to receive any amount of 23 such disability benefit which, when added to his compensation for such employment during disability, plus any amount payable 24 25 under the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act or 26 Workers' Occupational Diseases Act, would exceed the rate of

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1	salary on which his disabili	ty benefi	t is based.
2	(Source: P.A. 85-964.)		
3	Section 90. The State	Mandates	Act is amended by adding
4	Section 8.31 as follows:		
5	(30 ILCS 805/8.31 new)		
6	Sec. 8.31. Exempt mandat	te. Notwit	hstanding Sections 6 and 8
7	of this Act, no reimburseme	nt by the	State is required for the
8	implementation of any mandat	te created	by this amendatory Act of
9	the 95th General Assembly.		
10	Section 99. Effective	date. Th	is Act takes effect upon

11 becoming law.