

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2009 and 2010 HB2584

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/17-119 from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-119 40 ILCS 5/17-156.1 from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-156.1 30 ILCS 805/8.33 new

Amends the Chicago Teacher Article of the Illinois Pension Code. In provisions concerning increases in teacher's and retired member's pensions, changes the amount of the annual increase from 3% to 4%. 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 State government.

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 17-119 and 17-156.1 as follows:
- 6 (40 ILCS 5/17-119) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-119)
- Sec. 17-119. Automatic annual increase in pension. Each teacher retiring on or after September 1, 1959, is entitled to the annual increase in pension, defined herein, while he is receiving a pension from the Fund.
- 1. The term "base pension" means a service retirement or 12 disability retirement pension in the amount fixed and payable 13 at the date of retirement of a teacher.
- 14 2. The annual increase in pension shall be at the rate of 1 1/2% of base pension. This increase shall first occur in 15 16 January of the year next following the first anniversary of 17 retirement. At such time the Fund shall pay the pro rata part of the increase for the period from the first anniversary date 18 19 to the date of the first increase in pension. Beginning January 1, 1972, the rate of annual increase in pension shall be 2% of 20 21 the base pension. Beginning January 1, 1979, the rate of annual 22 increase in pension shall be 3% of the base pension. Beginning January 1, 1990, all automatic annual increases payable under 23

this Section shall be calculated as a percentage of the total pension payable at the time of the increase, including all increases previously granted under this Article, notwithstanding Section 17-157. Beginning January 1, 2010, all annual increases in pension payable under this Section shall be calculated at the rate of 4% of the amount of pension payable at the time of the increase, including all increases previously granted under this Article, notwithstanding Section 17-157.

3. An increase in pension shall be granted only if the retired teacher is age 60 or over. If the teacher attains age 60 after retirement, the increase in pension shall begin in January of the year following the 61st birthday. At such time the Fund also shall pay the pro rata part of the increase from the 61st birthday to the date of first increase in pension.

In addition to other increases which may be provided by this Section, on January 1, 1981 any teacher who was receiving a retirement pension on or before January 1, 1971 shall have his retirement pension then being paid increased \$1 per month for each year of creditable service. On January 1, 1982, any teacher whose retirement pension began on or before January 1, 1977, shall have his retirement pension then being paid increased \$1 per month for each year of creditable service.

On January 1, 1987, any teacher whose retirement pension began on or before January 1, 1977, shall have the monthly retirement pension increased by an amount equal to 8¢ per year of creditable service times the number of years that have

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- 1 elapsed since the retirement pension began.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 90-566, eff. 1-2-98.)
- 3 (40 ILCS 5/17-156.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-156.1)

Sec. 17-156.1. Increases to retired members. A teacher who retired prior to September 1, 1959 on service retirement pension who was at least 55 years of age at date of retirement and had at least 20 years of validated service shall be entitled to receive benefits under this Section.

These benefits shall be in an amount equal to 1-1/2% of the total of (1) the initial service retirement pension plus (2) any emeritus payment payable under Sections 34-86 and 34-87 (now repealed) of the School Code, multiplied by the number of full years on pension. This payment shall begin in January of 1970. An additional 1-1/2% shall be added in January of each year thereafter. Beginning January 1, 1972 the rate of increase in the service retirement pension each year shall be 2%. Beginning January 1, 1979, the rate of increase in the service retirement pension each year shall be 3%. Beginning January 1, 1990, all automatic annual increases payable under this Section shall be calculated as a percentage of the total pension payable at the time of the increase, including all increases previously granted under this Article, notwithstanding Section 17-157. Beginning January 1, 2010, all annual increases in pension payable under this Section shall be calculated at the rate of 4% of the amount of pension payable at the time of the increase, including all increases previously granted under
this Article, notwithstanding Section 17-157.

3 A pensioner who otherwise qualifies for the aforesaid benefit shall make a one-time payment of 1% of the final 4 5 monthly average salary multiplied by the number of completed years of service forming the basis of his service retirement 6 7 pension or, if the pension was not computed according to 8 average salary as defined in Section 17-116, 1% of the monthly 9 base pension multiplied by each complete year of service 10 forming the basis of his service retirement pension. Unless the pensioner rejects the benefits of this Section, such sum shall 11 12 be deducted from the pensioner's December 1969 pension check 13 and shall not be refundable.

- 14 (Source: P.A. 94-1105, eff. 6-1-07.)
- Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding Section 8.33 as follows:
- 17 (30 ILCS 805/8.33 new)
- Sec. 8.33. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8

 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the
- implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of
- 21 the 96th General Assembly.
- 22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 23 becoming law.