

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 HB4458

Introduced 1/30/2012, by Rep. Dan Brady

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS	5/3-110	from	Ch.	108	1/2,	par.	3-110
40 ILCS	5/3-110.6	from	Ch.	108	1/2,	par.	3-110.6
40 ILCS	5/15-113	from	Ch.	108	1/2,	par.	15-113
40 ILCS	5/15-113.12 new						
40 ILCS	5/15-134.4	from	Ch.	108	1/2,	par.	15-134.4
30 ILCS	805/8.36 new						

Amends the Illinois Pension Code. For a period of 6 months, allows a police officer to transfer up to 10 years of creditable service in either direction between a downstate police pension fund and the State Universities Retirement System. Applies only to service as a police officer. Requires payment by the police officer of the difference between the amount of contributions transferred and the true cost of allowing the creditable service to be established. Authorizes reinstatement of transferable credits. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately

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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 3-110, 3-110.6, 15-113, and 15-134.4 and by adding Section 15-113.12 as follows:
- 7 (40 ILCS 5/3-110) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-110)
- 8 Sec. 3-110. Creditable service.
- 9 (a) "Creditable service" is the time served by a police officer as a member of a regularly constituted police force of 10 a municipality. In computing creditable service furloughs 11 without pay exceeding 30 days shall not be counted, but all 12 leaves of absence for illness or accident, regardless of 13 14 length, and all periods of disability retirement for which a police officer has received no disability pension payments 15 16 under this Article shall be counted.
 - (a-5) Up to 3 years of time during which the police officer receives a disability pension under Section 3-114.1, 3-114.2, 3-114.3, or 3-114.6 shall be counted as creditable service, provided that (i) the police officer returns to active service after the disability for a period at least equal to the period for which credit is to be established and (ii) the police officer makes contributions to the fund based on the rates

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specified in Section 3-125.1 and the salary upon which the disability pension is based. These contributions may be paid at any time prior to the commencement of a retirement pension. The police officer may, but need not, elect to have contributions deducted from the disability pension or to pay them in installments on a schedule approved by the board. If not deducted from the disability pension, the contributions shall include interest at the rate of 6% per year, compounded annually, from the date for which service credit is being established to the date of payment. If contributions are paid under this subsection (a-5) in excess of those needed to establish the credit, the excess shall be refunded. subsection (a-5) applies to persons receiving a disability pension under Section 3-114.1, 3-114.2, 3-114.3, or 3-114.6 on the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly, as well as persons who begin to receive such a disability pension after that date.

(b) Creditable service includes all periods of service in the military, naval or air forces of the United States entered upon while an active police officer of a municipality, provided that upon applying for a permanent pension, and in accordance with the rules of the board, the police officer pays into the fund the amount the officer would have contributed if he or she had been a regular contributor during such period, to the extent that the municipality which the police officer served has not made such contributions in the officer's behalf. The

total amount of such creditable service shall not exceed 5
years, except that any police officer who on July 1, 1973 had
more than 5 years of such creditable service shall receive the
total amount thereof.

- (b-5) Creditable service includes all periods of service in the military, naval, or air forces of the United States entered upon before beginning service as an active police officer of a municipality, provided that, in accordance with the rules of the board, the police officer pays into the fund the amount the police officer would have contributed if he or she had been a regular contributor during such period, plus an amount determined by the Board to be equal to the municipality's normal cost of the benefit, plus interest at the actuarially assumed rate calculated from the date the employee last became a police officer under this Article. The total amount of such creditable service shall not exceed 2 years.
- (c) Creditable service also includes service rendered by a police officer while on leave of absence from a police department to serve as an executive of an organization whose membership consists of members of a police department, subject to the following conditions: (i) the police officer is a participant of a fund established under this Article with at least 10 years of service as a police officer; (ii) the police officer received no credit for such service under any other retirement system, pension fund, or annuity and benefit fund included in this Code; (iii) pursuant to the rules of the board

the police officer pays to the fund the amount he or she would have contributed had the officer been an active member of the police department; (iv) the organization pays a contribution equal to the municipality's normal cost for that period of service; and (v) for all leaves of absence under this subsection (c), including those beginning before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, the police officer continues to remain in sworn status, subject to the professional standards of the public employer or those terms established in statute.

- (d) (1) Creditable service also includes periods of service originally established in another police pension fund under this Article or in the Fund or System established under Article 7 or 15 of this Code for which (i) the contributions have been transferred under Section 3-110.7, or Section 7-139.9, or 15-134.4 and (ii) any additional contribution required under paragraph (2) of this subsection has been paid in full in accordance with the requirements of this subsection (d).
- (2) If the board of the pension fund to which creditable service and related contributions are transferred under Section 7-139.9 or 15-134.4 determines that the amount transferred is less than the true cost to the pension fund of allowing that creditable service to be established, then in order to establish that creditable service the police officer must pay to the pension fund,

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If the board of the pension fund to which creditable service and related contributions are transferred under Section 3-110.7 determines that the amount transferred is less than the true cost to the pension fund of allowing that creditable service to be established, then the police officer may elect (A) to establish that creditable service by paying to the pension fund, within the payment period specified in paragraph (3) of this subsection (d), an additional contribution equal to the difference, determined by the board in accordance with the rules and procedures adopted under paragraph (6) of this subsection (d) or (B) to have his or her creditable service reduced by amount equal to the difference between the amount transferred under Section 3-110.7 and the true cost to the pension fund of allowing that creditable service to be established, as determined by the board in accordance with the rules and procedures adopted under paragraph (6) of this subsection (d).

(3) Except as provided in paragraph (4), the additional contribution that is required or elected under paragraph(2) of this subsection (d) must be paid to the board (i)

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within 5 years from the date of the transfer of contributions under Section 3-110.7, or 7-139.9, or 15-134.4 and (ii) before the police officer terminates service with the fund. The additional contribution may be paid in a lump sum or in accordance with a schedule of installment payments authorized by the board.

- (4) If the police officer dies in service before payment in full has been made and before the expiration of the 5-year payment period, the surviving spouse of the officer may elect to pay the unpaid amount on the officer's behalf within 6 months after the date of death, in which case the creditable service shall be granted as though the deceased police officer had paid the remaining balance on the day before the date of death.
- (5) If the additional contribution that is required or elected under paragraph (2) of this subsection (d) is not paid in full within the required time, the creditable service shall not be granted and the police officer (or the officer's surviving spouse or estate) shall be entitled to receive a refund of (i) any partial payment of the additional contribution that has been made by the police officer and (ii) those portions of the amounts transferred subdivision (a) (1) of Section 3-110.7under subdivisions (a) (1) and (a) (3) of Section 7-139.9 or subdivisions (b-5)(1) and (b-5)(3) of Section 15-134.4 that represent employee contributions paid by the police

officer (but not the accumulated interest on those contributions) and interest paid by the police officer to the prior pension fund in order to reinstate service terminated by acceptance of a refund.

At the time of paying a refund under this item (5), the pension fund shall also repay to the pension fund from which the contributions were transferred under Section 3-110.7, or 7-139.9, or 15-134.4 the amount originally transferred under subdivision (a)(2) of that Section, plus interest at the rate of 6% per year, compounded annually, from the date of the original transfer to the date of repayment. Amounts repaid to the Article 7 fund under this provision shall be credited to the appropriate municipality.

Transferred credit that is not granted due to failure to pay the additional contribution within the required time is lost; it may not be transferred to another pension fund and may not be reinstated in the pension fund from which it was transferred.

(6) The Public Employee Pension Fund Division of the Department of Insurance shall establish by rule the manner of making the calculation required under paragraph (2) of this subsection, taking into account the appropriate actuarial assumptions; the police officer's service, age, and salary history; the level of funding of the pension fund to which the credits are being transferred; and any

other factors that the Division determines to be relevant. The rules may require that all calculations made under paragraph (2) be reported to the Division by the board performing the calculation, together with documentation of the creditable service to be transferred, the amounts of contributions and interest to be transferred, the manner in which the calculation was performed, the numbers relied upon in making the calculation, the results of the calculation, and any other information the Division may deem useful.

- (e) (1) Creditable service also includes periods of service originally established in the Fund established under Article 7 of this Code for which the contributions have been transferred under Section 7-139.11.
- (2) If the board of the pension fund to which creditable service and related contributions are transferred under Section 7-139.11 determines that the amount transferred is less than the true cost to the pension fund of allowing that creditable service to be established, then the amount of creditable service the police officer may establish under this subsection (e) shall be reduced by an amount equal to the difference, as determined by the board in accordance with the rules and procedures adopted under paragraph (3) of this subsection.
- (3) The Public Pension Division of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation shall establish by

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(4) Until January 1, 2010, a police officer who transferred service from the Fund established under Article 7 of this Code under the provisions of Public Act 94-356 may establish additional credit, but only for the amount of the service credit reduction in that transfer, as calculated under paragraph (3) of this subsection (e). This credit may be established upon payment by the police officer of an amount to be determined by the board, equal to (1) the amount that would have been contributed as employee and employer contributions had all of the service been as an employee under this Article, plus interest

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thereon at the rate of 6% per year, compounded annually from the date of service to the date of transfer, less (2) the total amount transferred from the Article 7 Fund, plus (3) interest on the difference at the rate of 6% per year, compounded annually, from the date of the transfer to the date of payment. The additional service credit is allowed under this amendatory Act of the 95th General Assembly notwithstanding the provisions of Article 7 terminating all transferred credits on the date of transfer.

- 10 (Source: P.A. 96-297, eff. 8-11-09; 96-1260, eff. 7-23-10; 11 97-651, eff. 1-5-12.)
- 12 (40 ILCS 5/3-110.6) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 3-110.6)

 Sec. 3-110.6. Transfer to Article 14 or 15 System.
- 14 (a) Any active member of the State Employees' Retirement 15 System who is a State policeman, an investigator for the 16 Secretary of State, a conservation police officer, investigator for the Office of the Attorney General, an 17 18 investigator for the Department of Revenue, an investigator for 19 the Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor, or a 20 controlled substance inspector may apply for transfer of some 21 or all of his or her creditable service accumulated in any 22 police pension fund under this Article to the State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with Section 14-110. The 23 24 creditable service shall be transferred only upon payment by 25 the police pension fund to the State Employees' Retirement

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- 2 (1) the amounts accumulated to the credit of the 3 applicant for the service to be transferred on the books of 4 the fund on the date of transfer; and
 - (2) employer contributions in an amount equal to the amount determined under subparagraph (1); and
- 7 (3) any interest paid by the applicant in order to reinstate service to be transferred.
 - Participation in the police pension fund with respect to the service to be transferred shall terminate on the date of transfer.
 - (a-5) No later than 6 months after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, any active member of the State Universities Retirement System who is a police officer under that System may apply for transfer of up to 10 years of his or her creditable service accumulated in any police pension fund under this Article to the State Universities Retirement System in accordance with Section 15-113.12. The creditable service shall be transferred only upon payment by the police pension fund to the State Universities Retirement System of an amount equal to:
 - (1) the amounts accumulated to the credit of the applicant for the service to be transferred on the books of the fund on the date of transfer; and
 - (2) employer contributions in an amount equal to the amount determined under subparagraph (1); and

- 1 (3) any interest paid by the applicant in order to
- 2 reinstate service to be transferred.
- 3 Participation in the police pension fund with respect to the
- 4 service to be transferred shall terminate on the date of
- 5 transfer.
- 6 (b) Any person applying to transfer service under this
- 7 Section may reinstate <u>transferable</u> service that was terminated
- 8 by receipt of a refund, by paying to the police pension fund
- 9 the amount of the refund with interest thereon at the
- 10 actuarially assumed rate of interest, compounded annually,
- from the date of refund to the date of payment.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 95-530, eff. 8-28-07; 96-745, eff. 8-25-09.)
- 13 (40 ILCS 5/15-113) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 15-113)
- 14 Sec. 15-113. Service. "Service": The periods defined in
- 15 Sections 15-113.1 through 15-113.12 15-113.9.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 84-1472.)
- 17 (40 ILCS 5/15-113.12 new)
- 18 Sec. 15-113.12. Transfer of creditable service from
- 19 Article 3 police pension fund.
- 20 (a) For a period of 6 months after the effective date of
- 21 this Section, a participant who is a police officer may
- 22 transfer to the System up to 10 years of creditable service
- 23 accumulated under any police pension fund established under
- 24 Article 3 of this Code upon payment to the System of an amount

- 1 to be determined by the Board, equal to the difference between
- 2 <u>the amount transferred to the System under Section 3-110.6 and</u>
- 3 the true cost to the System of allowing that creditable service
- 4 to be established, as determined by the Board. The total amount
- 5 of creditable service established under this Section by a
- 6 participant shall not exceed 10 years.
- 7 (b) Creditable service established under this Section by a
- 8 participant shall be deemed to be service as a police officer
- 9 for the purposes of this Article, unless the participant has
- 10 filed a written notice under Section 15-157 waiving the
- 11 retirement formula provided by Rule 4 of Section 15-136.
- 12 (40 ILCS 5/15-134.4) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 15-134.4)
- 13 Sec. 15-134.4. Transfer of creditable service as a police
- officer or criminal justice teacher to the Article 5 Pension
- 15 Fund or Article 14 System.
- 16 (a) An active member of the Pension Fund established under
- 17 Article 5 of this Code may apply, not later than January 1,
- 18 1990, to transfer his or her credits and creditable service
- 19 accumulated under this System for service with the City
- 20 Colleges of Chicago teaching in the Criminal Justice Program,
- 21 to the Article 5 Fund. Such credits and creditable service
- shall be transferred forthwith.
- 23 Payment by this System to the Article 5 Fund shall be made
- 24 at the same time and shall consist of:
- 25 (1) the amounts credited to the applicant for such

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- 3 (2) employer contributions equal in amount to the 4 accumulated employee contributions as determined in item 5 (1).
- Participation in this System with respect to such credits shall terminate on the date of transfer.
 - (b) Any active member of the State Employees' Retirement System who is a State policeman, an investigator for the Secretary of State, or a conservation police officer may apply for transfer of some or all of his or her creditable service accumulated in this System for service as a police officer to the State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with Section 14-110. The creditable service shall be transferred only upon payment by this System to the State Employees' Retirement System of an amount equal to:
 - (1) the amounts accumulated to the credit of the applicant for the service to be transferred, including interest, as of the date of transfer; and
 - (2) employer contributions equal in amount to the accumulated employee contributions as determined in item (1); and
- 23 (3) any interest paid by the applicant to reinstate such service.
- 25 Participation in this System as to any credits transferred 26 under this subsection (b) Section shall terminate on the date

1 of transfer.

- (b-5) No later than 6 months after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly, any active member of a police pension fund established under Article 3 of this Code may apply for transfer of up to 10 years of his or her creditable service accumulated in this System for service as a police officer to that police pension fund in accordance with subsection (d) of Section 3-110. The creditable service shall be transferred only upon payment by this System to that police pension fund of an amount equal to:
- (1) the amounts accumulated to the credit of the applicant for the service to be transferred, including interest, as of the date of transfer; and
- 2) employer contributions equal in amount to the
 accumulated employee contributions as determined in item

 (1); and
- 17 <u>(3) any interest paid by the applicant to reinstate</u>
 18 such service.
 - Participation in this System as to any credits transferred under this subsection (b-5) shall terminate on the date of transfer.
 - (c) Any person applying to transfer service under subsection (b) or (b-5) may reinstate transferable credits and creditable service terminated upon receipt of a refund by paying to the System the amount of the refund plus interest thereon at the rate of 6% per year from the date of the refund

- 1 to the date of payment.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 95-530, eff. 8-28-07.)
- 3 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding
- 4 Section 8.36 as follows:
- 5 (30 ILCS 805/8.36 new)
- 6 Sec. 8.36. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8
- of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the
- 8 <u>implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of</u>
- 9 <u>the 97th General Assembly.</u>
- 10 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 11 becoming law.