97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB5354

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

| 40 ILCS 5/11-223.1 | from Ch. 108 | 1/2, par. | 11-223.1 |
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| 40 ILCS 5/11-223.2 | from Ch. 108 | 1/2, par. | 11-223.2 |

Amends the Chicago Laborer Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Adds dental and vision plans to the list of health benefit plans for which an annuitant may assign his or her annuity or disability benefit to cover payment of premiums. Deletes the limitation that the group hospital and medical insurance plans must be non-profit. Effective immediately.

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PENSION IMPACT NOTE ACT MAY APPLY 1

AN ACT concerning 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
Sections 11-223.1 and 11-223.2 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/11-223.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 11-223.1)
7 Sec. 11-223.1. Assignment for health, hospital and medical
8 insurance.

9 The board may provide, by regulation, that any annuitant or pensioner, may assign his annuity or disability benefit, or any 10 part thereof, for the purpose of premium payment for a 11 membership for the annuitant, and his or her spouse and 12 13 children, in a non profit group hospital care plan, or group 14 medical surgical plan, group dental plan, or group vision plan, provided, however, that the board may, in its discretion, 15 16 terminate the right of assignment. Any such hospital insurance 17 plan, or medical insurance plan, dental plan, or vision plan may include provision for the beneficiaries thereof who rely on 18 19 treatment by spiritual means alone through prayer for healing 20 in accordance with the tenets and practice of a well recognized 21 religious denomination.

22 Upon the adoption of a regulation permitting such 23 assignment, the board shall establish and administer a plan for

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| 1 | the maintenance of the insurance plan membership by the |
| 2 | annuitant or pensioner. |
| 3 | (Source: Laws 1965, p. 2290.) |
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| 4 | (40 ILCS 5/11-223.2) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 11-223.2) |
| 5 | Sec. 11-223.2. Notification of assignment. |
| 6 | The annuitant or pensioner shall notify the board in |
| 7 | writing of the assignment of his annuity or disability benefit |
| 8 | for payment of health, hospital <u>,</u> or medical <u>, dental, or visior</u> |
| 9 | insurance premiums. Such notification of assignment is |
| 10 | authorization for the board to make insurance premium payments |
| 11 | for the benefit of the annuitant or pensioner out of his |
| 12 | annuity or disability benefit. |
| 13 | (Source: Laws 1965, p. 2290.) |
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Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.