

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 5-167.5, 6-164.2, 8-164.1, 8-164.2, 11-160.1, and 11-160.2 as follows:

(40 ILCS 5/5-167.5) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 5-167.5)

Sec. 5-167.5. Payments to city.

(a) For the purposes of this Section, "city annuitant" means a person receiving an age and service annuity, a widow's annuity, a child's annuity, or a minimum annuity under this Article as a direct result of previous employment by the City of Chicago ("the city").

(b) The board shall pay to the city, on behalf of the board's city annuitants who participate in any of the city's health care plans, the following amounts:

(1) From July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2008, \$85 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$55 per month for each such annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

(2) Beginning ~~From~~ July 1, 2008 and until such time as the city no longer provides a health care plan for such annuitants or December 31, 2016, whichever comes first

~~through June 30, 2013,~~ \$95 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$65 per month for each such annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

The payments described in this subsection shall be paid from the tax levy authorized under Section 5-168; such amounts shall be credited to the reserve for group hospital care and group medical and surgical plan benefits, and all payments to the city required under this subsection shall be charged against it.

(c) The city health care plans referred to in this Section and the board's payments to the city under this Section are not and shall not be construed to be pension or retirement benefits for the purposes of Section 5 of Article XIII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970.

(Source: P.A. 92-599, eff. 6-28-02; 93-42, eff. 7-1-03.)

(40 ILCS 5/6-164.2) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 6-164.2)

Sec. 6-164.2. Payments to city.

(a) For the purposes of this Section, "city annuitant" means a person receiving an age and service annuity, a widow's annuity, a child's annuity, or a minimum annuity under this Article as a direct result of previous employment by the City of Chicago ("the city").

(b) The board shall pay to the city, on behalf of the board's city annuitants who participate in any of the city's

health care plans, the following amounts:

(1) From July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2008, \$85 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$55 per month for each such annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

(2) Beginning From July 1, 2008 and until such time as the city no longer provides a health care plan for such annuitants or December 31, 2016, whichever comes first ~~through June 30, 2013,~~ \$95 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$65 per month for each such annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

The payments described in this subsection shall be paid from the tax levy authorized under Section 6-165; such amounts shall be credited to the reserve for group hospital care and group medical and surgical plan benefits, and all payments to the city required under this subsection shall be charged against it.

(c) The city health care plans referred to in this Section and the board's payments to the city under this Section are not and shall not be construed to be pension or retirement benefits for the purposes of Section 5 of Article XIII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970.

(Source: P.A. 92-599, eff. 6-28-02; 93-42, eff. 7-1-03.)

(40 ILCS 5/8-164.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 8-164.1)

Sec. 8-164.1. Payments to city.

(a) For the purposes of this Section, "city annuitant" means a person receiving an age and service annuity, a widow's annuity, a child's annuity, or a minimum annuity under this Article as a direct result of previous employment by the City of Chicago ("the city").

(b) The board shall pay to the city, on behalf of the board's city annuitants who participate in any of the city's health care plans, the following amounts:

(1) From July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2008, \$85 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$55 per month for each such annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

(2) Beginning From July 1, 2008 and until such time as the city no longer provides a health care plan for such annuitants or December 31, 2016, whichever comes first ~~through June 30, 2013,~~ \$95 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$65 per month for each such annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

The payments described in this subsection shall be paid from the tax levy authorized under Section 8-173; such amounts shall be credited to the reserve for group hospital care and group medical and surgical plan benefits, and all payments to the city required under this subsection shall be charged against it.

(c) The city health care plans referred to in this Section and the board's payments to the city under this Section are not and shall not be construed to be pension or retirement benefits for the purposes of Section 5 of Article XIII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970.

(Source: P.A. 92-599, eff. 6-28-02; 93-42, eff. 7-1-03.)

(40 ILCS 5/8-164.2)

Sec. 8-164.2. Payments to board of education for group health benefits.

(a) Should the Board of Education continue to sponsor a retiree health plan, the board is authorized to pay to the Board of Education, on behalf of each eligible annuitant who chooses to participate in the Board of Education's retiree health benefit plan, the following amounts:

(1) From July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2008, \$85 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$55 per month for each such annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

(2) Beginning From July 1, 2008 and until such time as the city no longer provides a health care plan for such annuitants or December 31, 2016, whichever comes first ~~through June 30, 2013,~~ \$95 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$65 per month for each such annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

The payments described in this subsection shall be paid from the tax levy authorized under Section 8-173; such amounts shall be credited to the reserve for group hospital care and group medical and surgical plan benefits, and all payments to the Board of Education under this subsection shall be charged against it.

(b) The Board of Education health benefit plan referred to in this Section and the board's payments to the Board of Education under this Section are not and shall not be construed to be pension or retirement benefits for the purposes of Section 5 of Article XIII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970. (Source: P.A. 93-42, eff. 7-1-03.)

(40 ILCS 5/11-160.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 11-160.1)
Sec. 11-160.1. Payments to city.

(a) For the purposes of this Section, "city annuitant" means a person receiving an age and service annuity, a widow's annuity, a child's annuity, or a minimum annuity under this Article as a direct result of previous employment by the City of Chicago ("the city").

(b) The board shall pay to the city, on behalf of the board's city annuitants who participate in any of the city's health care plans, the following amounts:

(1) From July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2008, \$85 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$55 per month for each such

annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

(2) Beginning From July 1, 2008 and until such time as the city no longer provides a health care plan for such annuitants or December 31, 2016, whichever comes first through June 30, 2013, \$95 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$65 per month for each such annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

The payments described in this subsection shall be paid from the tax levy authorized under Section 11-169; such amounts shall be credited to the reserve for group hospital care and group medical and surgical plan benefits, and all payments to the city required under this subsection shall be charged against it.

(c) The city health care plans referred to in this Section and the board's payments to the city under this Section are not and shall not be construed to be pension or retirement benefits for the purposes of Section 5 of Article XIII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970.

(Source: P.A. 92-599, eff. 6-28-02; 93-42, eff. 7-1-03.)

(40 ILCS 5/11-160.2)

Sec. 11-160.2. Payments to board of education for group health benefits.

(a) Should the Board of Education continue to sponsor a retiree health plan, the board is authorized to pay to the

Board of Education, on behalf of each eligible annuitant who chooses to participate in the Board of Education's retiree health benefit plan, the following amounts:

(1) From July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2008, \$85 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$55 per month for each such annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

(2) Beginning From July 1, 2008 and until such time as the city no longer provides a health care plan for such annuitants or December 31, 2016, whichever comes first ~~through June 30, 2013,~~ \$95 per month for each such annuitant who is not eligible to receive Medicare benefits and \$65 per month for each such annuitant who is eligible to receive Medicare benefits.

The payments described in this subsection shall be paid from the tax levy authorized under Section 11-169; such amounts shall be credited to the reserve for group hospital care and group medical and surgical plan benefits, and all payments to the Board of Education under this subsection shall be charged against it.

(b) The Board of Education health benefit plan referred to in this Section and the board's payments to the Board of Education under this Section are not and shall not be construed to be pension or retirement benefits for the purposes of Section 5 of Article XIII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970.

(Source: P.A. 93-42, eff. 7-1-03.)

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Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.