

## 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2003 and 2004 HB4642

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/14-114	from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 14-114
40 ILCS 5/14-119	from Ch. $108 \ 1/2$ , par. $14-119$
40 ILCS 5/14-121	from Ch. $108 \ 1/2$ , par. $14-121$
40 ILCS 5/15-136	from Ch. $108 \ 1/2$ , par. $15-136$
40 ILCS 5/15-136.3	
40 ILCS 5/15-145	from Ch. $108 \ 1/2$ , par. $15-145$
40 ILCS 5/16-133.1	from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 16-133.1
40 ILCS 5/16-143.1	from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 16-143.1
40 ILCS 5/17-119	from Ch. $108 \ 1/2$ , par. $17-119$
40 ILCS 5/17-122	from Ch. $108 1/2$ , par. $17-122$
30 ILCS 805/8.28 new	

Amends the State Employee, State Universities, Downstate Teacher, and Chicago Teacher Articles of the Illinois Pension Code to provide for a one-time increase in certain retirement and survivor's annuities. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT in relation to public employee pensions, amending named Acts.

## 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 14-114, 14-119, 14-121, 15-136, 15-136.3, 15-145,
  16-133.1, 16-143.1, 17-119, and 17-122 as follows:
- 8 (40 ILCS 5/14-114) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 14-114)
   9 Sec. 14-114. Automatic increase in retirement annuity.
- (a) Any person receiving a retirement annuity under this 10 Article who retires having attained age 60, or who retires 11 before age 60 having at least 35 years of creditable service, 12 or who retires on or after January 1, 2001 at an age which, 13 14 when added to the number of years of his or her creditable service, equals at least 85, shall, on January 1 next following 15 the first full year of retirement, have the amount of the then 16 17 fixed and payable monthly retirement annuity increased 3%. Any person receiving a retirement annuity under this Article who 18 19 retires before attainment of age 60 and with less than (i) 35 years of creditable service if retirement is before January 1, 20 2001, or (ii) the number of years of creditable service which, 21 22 when added to the member's age, would equal 85, if retirement 23 is on or after January 1, 2001, shall have the amount of the fixed and payable retirement annuity increased by 3% on the 24 25 January 1 occurring on or next following (1) attainment of age 26 60, or (2) the first anniversary of retirement, whichever occurs later. However, for persons who receive the alternative 27 28 retirement annuity under Section 14-110, references in this 29 subsection (a) to attainment of age 60 shall be deemed to refer 30 to attainment of age 55. For a person receiving early retirement incentives under Section 14-108.3 whose retirement 31 32 annuity began after January 1, 1992 pursuant to an extension

granted under subsection (e) of that Section, the first anniversary of retirement shall be deemed to be January 1, 1993. For a person who retires on or after June 28, 2001 and on or before October 1, 2001, and whose retirement annuity is calculated, in whole or in part, under Section 14-110 or subsection (g) or (h) of Section 14-108, the first anniversary of retirement shall be deemed to be January 1, 2002.

On each January 1 following the date of the initial increase under this subsection, the employee's monthly retirement annuity shall be increased by an additional 3%.

Beginning January 1, 1990, all automatic annual increases payable under this Section shall be calculated as a percentage of the total annuity payable at the time of the increase, including previous increases granted under this Article.

- (b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this Section shall be applicable to an employee only if the employee makes the additional contributions required after December 31, 1969 for the purpose of the automatic increases for not less than the equivalent of one full year. If an employee becomes an annuitant before his additional contributions equal one full year's contributions based on his salary at the date of retirement, the employee may pay the necessary balance of the contributions to the system, without interest, and be eligible for the increasing annuity authorized by this Section.
- (c) The provisions of subsection (a) of this Section shall not be applicable to any annuitant who is on retirement on December 31, 1969, and thereafter returns to State service, unless the member has established at least one year of additional creditable service following reentry into service.
- (d) In addition to other increases which may be provided by this Section, on January 1, 1981 any annuitant who was receiving a retirement annuity on or before January 1, 1971 shall have his retirement annuity then being paid increased \$1 per month for each year of creditable service. On January 1, 1982, any annuitant who began receiving a retirement annuity on or before January 1, 1977, shall have his retirement annuity

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then being paid increased \$1 per month for each year of creditable service.

On January 1, 1987, any annuitant who began receiving a retirement annuity on or before January 1, 1977, shall have the monthly retirement annuity increased by an amount equal to 8¢ per year of creditable service times the number of years that have elapsed since the annuity began.

(d-1) On January 1, 2005, every annuitant who began receiving a retirement annuity on or before January 1, 1991 shall have the monthly retirement annuity increased by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of creditable service multiplied by the number of full years that have elapsed since the annuity began. Every annuitant who begins receiving a retirement annuity after January 1, 1991 and before January 1, 1998 shall have the monthly retirement annuity increased on January 1, 2005 or on the January 1 occurring on or next following the seventh anniversary of retirement, whichever is later, by an amount equal to \$1.75 multiplied by the number of full years of creditable service upon which the retirement annuity is based. The increase under this subsection shall be included in the calculation of increases granted simultaneously or thereafter under subsection (a).

(e) Every person who receives the alternative retirement annuity under Section 14-110 and who is eligible to receive the 3% increase under subsection (a) on January 1, 1986, shall also receive on that date a one-time increase in retirement annuity equal to the difference between (1) his actual retirement annuity on that date, including any increases received under subsection (a), and (2) the amount of retirement annuity he would have received on that date if the amendments to subsection (a) made by Public Act 84-162 had been in effect since the date of his retirement.

34 (Source: P.A. 91-927, eff. 12-14-00; 92-14, eff. 6-28-01;

35 92-651, eff. 7-11-02.)

- 1 (40 ILCS 5/14-119) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 14-119)
- 2 Sec. 14-119. Amount of widow's annuity.
  - (a) The widow's annuity shall be 50% of the amount of retirement annuity payable to the member on the date of death while on retirement if an annuitant, or on the date of his death while in service if an employee, regardless of his age on such date, or on the date of withdrawal if death occurred after termination of service under the conditions prescribed in the preceding Section.
  - (b) If an eligible widow, regardless of age, has in her care any unmarried child or children of the member under age 18 (under age 22 if a full-time student), the widow's annuity shall be increased in the amount of 5% of the retirement annuity for each such child, but the combined payments for a widow and children shall not exceed 66 2/3% of the member's earned retirement annuity.

The amount of retirement annuity from which the widow's annuity is derived shall be that earned by the member without regard to whether he attained age 60 prior to his withdrawal under the conditions stated or prior to his death.

(c) Adopted children shall be considered as children of the member only if the proceedings for adoption were commenced at least 1 year prior to the member's death.

Marriage of a child shall render the child ineligible for further consideration in the increase in the amount of the widow's annuity.

Attainment of age 18 (age 22 if a full-time student) shall render a child ineligible for further consideration in the increase of the widow's annuity, but the annuity to the widow shall be continued thereafter, without regard to her age at that time.

(d) A widow's annuity payable on account of any covered employee who shall have been a covered employee for at least 18 months shall be reduced by 1/2 of the amount of survivors benefits to which his beneficiaries are eligible under the provisions of the Federal Social Security Act, except that (1)

- the amount of any widow's annuity payable under this Article shall not be reduced by reason of any increase under that Act which occurs after the offset required by this subsection is first applied to that annuity, and (2) for benefits granted on or after January 1, 1992, the offset under this subsection (d) shall not exceed 50% of the amount of widow's annuity otherwise payable.
  - (e) Upon the death of a recipient of a widow's annuity the excess, if any, of the member's accumulated contributions plus credited interest over all annuity payments to the member and widow, exclusive of the \$500 lump sum payment, shall be paid to the named beneficiary of the widow, or if none has been named, to the estate of the widow, provided no reversionary annuity is payable.
  - (f) On January 1, 1981, any recipient of a widow's annuity who was receiving a widow's annuity on or before January 1, 1971, shall have her widow's annuity then being paid increased by 1% for each full year which has elapsed from the date the widow's annuity began. On January 1, 1982, any recipient of a widow's annuity who began receiving a widow's annuity after January 1, 1971, but before January 1, 1981, shall have her widow's annuity then being paid increased by 1% for each full year which has elapsed from the date the widow's annuity began. On January 1, 1987, any recipient of a widow's annuity who began receiving the widow's annuity on or before January 1, 1977, shall have the monthly widow's annuity increased by \$1 for each full year which has elapsed since the date the annuity began.
  - (f-1) On January 1, 2005, every widow who began receiving a widow's annuity on or before January 1, 1991 shall have the monthly widow's annuity increased by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of the deceased spouse's creditable service multiplied by the sum of (i) the number of full years that have elapsed since the widow's annuity began and (ii) the number of full years, if any, during which the deceased spouse received a retirement annuity under this

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1 Article. Every widow who begins receiving a widow's annuity 2 after January 1, 1991 and before January 1, 2005 shall have the monthly widow's annuity increased on January 1, 2005 or on the 3 January 1 occurring on or next following the seventh 4 5 anniversary of the commencement of the widow's annuity, whichever is later, by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the 6 number of full years of the deceased spouse's creditable 7 service multiplied by the sum of (i) the number of full years 8 that have elapsed since the widow's annuity began and (ii) the 9 number of full years, if any, during which the deceased spouse 10 11 received a retirement annuity under this Article. The increase 12 under this subsection shall be included in the calculation of increases granted simultaneously or thereafter under 13 subsection (g). 14

- (g) Beginning January 1, 1990, every widow's annuity shall be increased (1) on each January 1 occurring on or after the commencement of the annuity if the deceased member died while receiving a retirement annuity, or (2) in other cases, on each January 1 occurring on or after the first anniversary of the commencement of the annuity, by an amount equal to 3% of the current amount of the annuity, including any previous increases under this Article. Such increases shall apply without regard to whether the deceased member was in service on or after the effective date of Public Act 86-1488, but shall not accrue for any period prior to January 1, 1990.
- 26 (Source: P.A. 90-448, eff. 8-16-97.)
- 27 (40 ILCS 5/14-121) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 14-121)
- Sec. 14-121. Amount of survivors annuity. A survivors annuity beneficiary shall be entitled upon death of the member to a single sum payment of \$1,000, payable pro rata among all persons entitled thereto, together with a survivors annuity payable at the rates and under the conditions specified in this Article.
- 34 (a) If the survivors annuity beneficiary is a spouse, the 35 survivors annuity shall be 30% of final average compensation

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- subject to a maximum payment of \$400 per month.
- (b) If an eligible child or children under the care of a spouse also survives the member, such spouse as natural quardian of the child or children shall receive, in addition to the foregoing annuity, 20% of final average compensation on account of each such child and 10% of final compensation divided pro rata among such children, subject to a account of all survivor maximum payment on beneficiaries of \$600 per month, or 80% of the member's final average compensation, whichever is the lesser.
  - (c) If the survivors annuity beneficiary or beneficiaries consists of an unmarried child or children, the amount of survivors annuity shall be 20% of final average compensation to each child, and 10% of final average compensation divided pro rata among all such children entitled to such annuity, subject to a maximum payment to all children combined of \$600 per month or 80% of the member's final average compensation, whichever is the lesser.
  - (d) If the survivors annuity beneficiary is one or more dependent parents, the annuity shall be 20% of final average compensation to each parent and 10% of final average compensation divided pro rata among the parents who qualify for this annuity, subject to a maximum payment to both dependent parents of \$400 per month.
  - (e) The survivors annuity to the spouse, children or dependent parents of a member whose death occurs after the date of last withdrawal, or after retirement, or while in service following reentry into service after retirement but before completing 1 1/2 years of additional creditable service, shall not exceed the lesser of 80% of the member's earned retirement annuity at the date of death or the maximum previously established in this Section.
  - (f) In applying the limitation prescribed on the combined payments to 2 or more survivors annuity beneficiaries, the annuity on account of each beneficiary shall be reduced pro rata until such time as the number of beneficiaries makes the

reduction no longer applicable.

- employee who shall have been a covered employee for at least 18 months at date of death or last withdrawal, whichever is the later, shall be reduced by 1/2 of the survivors benefits to which his beneficiaries are eligible under the federal Social Security Act, except that (1) the survivors annuity payable under this Article shall not be reduced by any increase under that Act which occurs after the offset required by this subsection is first applied to that annuity, and (2) for benefits granted on or after January 1, 1992, the offset under this subsection (g) shall not exceed 50% of the amount of survivors annuity otherwise payable.
- (h) The minimum payment to a beneficiary hereunder shall be \$60 per month, which shall be reduced in accordance with the limitation prescribed on the combined payments to all beneficiaries of a member.
  - (i) Subject to the conditions set forth in Section 14-120, the minimum total survivors annuity benefit payable to the survivors annuity beneficiaries of a deceased member or annuitant whose death occurs on or after January 1, 1984, shall be 50% of the amount of retirement annuity that was or would have been payable to the deceased on the date of death, regardless of the age of the deceased on such date. If the minimum total benefit provided by this subsection exceeds the maximum otherwise imposed by this Section, the minimum total benefit shall nevertheless be payable. Any increase in the total survivors annuity benefit resulting from the operation of this subsection shall be divided among the survivors annuity beneficiaries of the deceased in proportion to their shares of the total survivors annuity benefit otherwise payable under this Section.
  - (j) Any survivors annuity beneficiary whose annuity terminates due to any condition specified in this Article other than death shall be entitled to a refund of the excess, if any, of the accumulated contributions of the member plus credited

- interest over all payments to the member and beneficiary or beneficiaries, exclusive of the single sum payment of \$1,000, provided no future survivors or reversionary annuity benefits are payable.
  - (k) Upon the death of the last eligible recipient of a survivors annuity the excess, if any, of the member's accumulated contributions plus credited interest over all annuity payments to the member and survivors exclusive of the single sum payment of \$1000, shall be paid to the named beneficiary of the last eligible survivor, or if none has been named, to the estate of the last eligible survivor, provided no reversionary annuity is payable.
  - (1) On January 1, 1981, any survivor who was receiving a survivors annuity on or before January 1, 1971, shall have his survivors annuity then being paid increased by 1% for each full year which has elapsed from the date the annuity began. On January 1, 1982, any survivor who began receiving a survivor's annuity after January 1, 1971, but before January 1, 1981, shall have his survivor's annuity then being paid increased by 1% for each full year that has elapsed from the date the annuity began. On January 1, 1987, any survivor who began receiving a survivor's annuity on or before January 1, 1977, shall have the monthly survivor's annuity increased by \$1 for each full year which has elapsed since the date the survivor's annuity began.
  - (m) Beginning January 1, 1990, every survivor's annuity shall be increased (1) on each January 1 occurring on or after the commencement of the annuity if the deceased member died while receiving a retirement annuity, or (2) in other cases, on each January 1 occurring on or after the first anniversary of the commencement of the annuity, by an amount equal to 3% of the current amount of the annuity, including any previous increases under this Article. Such increases shall apply without regard to whether the deceased member was in service on or after the effective date of Public Act 86-1488, but shall not accrue for any period prior to January 1, 1990.

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1 (n) On January 1, 2005, every survivor who began receiving 2 a survivor's annuity on or before January 1, 1991 shall have the monthly survivor's annuity increased by an amount equal to 3 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of the deceased's 4 5 creditable service multiplied by the sum of (i) the number of full years that have elapsed since the survivor's annuity began 6 and (ii) the number of full years, if any, during which the 7 deceased received a retirement annuity under this Article. 8 9 Every survivor who begins receiving a survivor's annuity after January 1, 1991 and before January 1, 2005 shall have the 10 11 monthly survivor's annuity increased on January 1, 2005 or on 12 the January 1 occurring on or next following the seventh anniversary of the commencement of the survivor's annuity, 13 whichever is later, by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the 14 number of full years of the deceased's creditable service 15 16 multiplied by the sum of (i) the number of full years that have elapsed since the survivor's annuity began and (ii) the number 17 of full years, if any, during which the deceased received a 18 retirement annuity under this Article. The increase under this 19 20 subsection shall be included in the calculation of increases granted simultaneously or thereafter under subsection (m). 21 (Source: P.A. 86-273; 86-1488; 87-794.) 22

23 (40 ILCS 5/15-136) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 15-136)

Sec. 15-136. Retirement annuities - Amount. The provisions of this Section 15-136 apply only to those participants who are participating in the traditional benefit package or the portable benefit package and do not apply to participants who are participating in the self-managed plan.

(a) The amount of a participant's retirement annuity, expressed in the form of a single-life annuity, shall be determined by whichever of the following rules is applicable and provides the largest annuity:

Rule 1: The retirement annuity shall be 1.67% of final rate of earnings for each of the first 10 years of service, 1.90% for each of the next 10 years of service, 2.10% for each year

- of service in excess of 20 but not exceeding 30, and 2.30% for
- 2 each year in excess of 30; or for persons who retire on or
- 3 after January 1, 1998, 2.2% of the final rate of earnings for
- 4 each year of service.
- 5 Rule 2: The retirement annuity shall be the sum of the
- 6 following, determined from amounts credited to the participant
- 7 in accordance with the actuarial tables and the prescribed rate
- 8 of interest in effect at the time the retirement annuity
- 9 begins:
- 10 (i) the normal annuity which can be provided on an
- 11 actuarially equivalent basis, by the accumulated normal
- contributions as of the date the annuity begins;
- 13 (ii) an annuity from employer contributions of an
- 14 amount equal to that which can be provided on an
- 15 actuarially equivalent basis from the accumulated normal
- 16 contributions made by the participant under Section
- 17 15-113.6 and Section 15-113.7 plus 1.4 times all other
- accumulated normal contributions made by the participant;
- 19 and
- 20 (iii) the annuity that can be provided on an
- 21 actuarially equivalent basis from the entire contribution
- 22 made by the participant under Section 15-113.3.
- With respect to a police officer or firefighter who retires
- on or after August 14, 1998, the accumulated normal
- contributions taken into account under clauses (i) and (ii) of
- 26 this Rule 2 shall include the additional normal contributions
- 27 made by the police officer or firefighter under Section
- 28 15-157 (a).
- The amount of a retirement annuity calculated under this
- 30 Rule 2 shall be computed solely on the basis of the
- 31 participant's accumulated normal contributions, as specified
- 32 in this Rule and defined in Section 15-116. Neither an employee
- or employer contribution for early retirement under Section
- 34 15-136.2 nor any other employer contribution shall be used in
- 35 the calculation of the amount of a retirement annuity under
- 36 this Rule 2.

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This amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly is a clarification of existing law and applies to every participant and annuitant without regard to whether status as an employee terminates before the effective date of this amendatory Act.

Rule 3: The retirement annuity of a participant who is employed at least one-half time during the period on which his or her final rate of earnings is based, shall be equal to the participant's years of service not to exceed 30, multiplied by (1) \$96 if the participant's final rate of earnings is less than \$3,500, (2) \$108 if the final rate of earnings is at least \$3,500 but less than \$4,500, (3) \$120 if the final rate of earnings is at least \$4,500 but less than \$5,500, (4) \$132 if the final rate of earnings is at least \$5,500 but less than \$6,500, (5) \$144 if the final rate of earnings is at least \$6,500 but less than \$7,500, (6) \$156 if the final rate of earnings is at least \$7,500 but less than \$8,500, (7) \$168 if the final rate of earnings is at least \$8,500 but less than \$9,500, and (8) \$180 if the final rate of earnings is \$9,500 or more, except that the annuity for those persons having made an election under Section 15-154(a-1) shall be calculated and payable under the portable retirement benefit program pursuant to the provisions of Section 15-136.4.

Rule 4: A participant who is at least age 50 and has 25 or more years of service as a police officer or firefighter, and a participant who is age 55 or over and has at least 20 but less than 25 years of service as a police officer or firefighter, shall be entitled to a retirement annuity of 2 1/4% of the final rate of earnings for each of the first 10 years of service as a police officer or firefighter, 2 1/2% for each of the next 10 years of service as a police officer or firefighter, and 2 3/4% for each year of service as a police officer or firefighter in excess of 20. The retirement annuity for all other service shall be computed under Rule 1.

For purposes of this Rule 4, a participant's service as a firefighter shall also include the following:

(i) service that is performed while the person is an

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employee under subsection (h) of Section 15-107; and

of an individual who was (ii) in the case participating employee employed in the fire department of University of Illinois's Champaign-Urbana immediately prior to the elimination of that fire department and who immediately after the elimination of that fire department transferred to another job with the University of Illinois, service performed as an employee of the University of Illinois in a position other than police officer or firefighter, from the date of that transfer until the employee's next termination of service with the University of Illinois.

Rule 5: The retirement annuity of a participant who elected early retirement under the provisions of Section 15-136.2 and who, on or before February 16, 1995, brought administrative proceedings pursuant to the administrative rules adopted by the System to challenge the calculation of his or her retirement annuity shall be the sum of the following, determined from amounts credited to the participant in accordance with the actuarial tables and the prescribed rate of interest in effect at the time the retirement annuity begins:

- (i) the normal annuity which can be provided on an actuarially equivalent basis, by the accumulated normal contributions as of the date the annuity begins; and
- (ii) an annuity from employer contributions of an amount equal to that which can be provided on an actuarially equivalent basis from the accumulated normal contributions made by the participant under Section 15-113.6 and Section 15-113.7 plus 1.4 times all other accumulated normal contributions made by the participant; and
- (iii) an annuity which can be provided on an actuarially equivalent basis from the employee contribution for early retirement under Section 15-136.2, and an annuity from employer contributions of an amount equal to that which can be provided on an actuarially

equivalent basis from the employee contribution for early retirement under Section 15-136.2.

In no event shall a retirement annuity under this Rule 5 be lower than the amount obtained by adding (1) the monthly amount obtained by dividing the combined employee and employer contributions made under Section 15-136.2 by the System's annuity factor for the age of the participant at the beginning of the annuity payment period and (2) the amount equal to the participant's annuity if calculated under Rule 1, reduced under Section 15-136(b) as if no contributions had been made under Section 15-136.2.

With respect to a participant who is qualified for a retirement annuity under this Rule 5 whose retirement annuity began before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly, and for whom an employee contribution was made under Section 15-136.2, the System shall recalculate the retirement annuity under this Rule 5 and shall pay any additional amounts due in the manner provided in Section 15-186.1 for benefits mistakenly set too low.

The amount of a retirement annuity calculated under this Rule 5 shall be computed solely on the basis of those contributions specifically set forth in this Rule 5. Except as provided in clause (iii) of this Rule 5, neither an employee nor employer contribution for early retirement under Section 15-136.2, nor any other employer contribution, shall be used in the calculation of the amount of a retirement annuity under this Rule 5.

The General Assembly has adopted the changes set forth in Section 25 of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly in recognition that the decision of the Appellate Court for the Fourth District in Mattis v. State Universities Retirement System et al. might be deemed to give some right to the plaintiff in that case. The changes made by Section 25 of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly are a legislative implementation of the decision of the Appellate Court for the Fourth District in Mattis v. State Universities Retirement

1 System et al. with respect to that plaintiff.

The changes made by Section 25 of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly apply without regard to whether the person is in service as an employee on or after its effective date.

- (b) The retirement annuity provided under Rules 1 and 3 above shall be reduced by 1/2 of 1% for each month the participant is under age 60 at the time of retirement. However, this reduction shall not apply in the following cases:
  - (1) For a disabled participant whose disability benefits have been discontinued because he or she has exhausted eligibility for disability benefits under clause (6) of Section 15-152;
  - (2) For a participant who has at least the number of years of service required to retire at any age under subsection (a) of Section 15-135; or
  - (3) For that portion of a retirement annuity which has been provided on account of service of the participant during periods when he or she performed the duties of a police officer or firefighter, if these duties were performed for at least 5 years immediately preceding the date the retirement annuity is to begin.
- (c) The maximum retirement annuity provided under Rules 1, 2, 4, and 5 shall be the lesser of (1) the annual limit of benefits as specified in Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as such Section may be amended from time to time and as such benefit limits shall be adjusted by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and (2) 80% of final rate of earnings.
- (d) An annuitant whose status as an employee terminates after August 14, 1969 shall receive automatic increases in his or her retirement annuity as follows:

Effective January 1 immediately following the date the retirement annuity begins, the annuitant shall receive an increase in his or her monthly retirement annuity of 0.125% of the monthly retirement annuity provided under Rule 1, Rule 2,

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Rule 3, Rule 4, or Rule 5, contained in this Section, multiplied by the number of full months which elapsed from the 3 date the retirement annuity payments began to January 1, 1972, plus 0.1667% of such annuity, multiplied by the number of full 5 months which elapsed from January 1, 1972, or the date the 6 retirement annuity payments began, whichever is later, to January 1, 1978, plus 0.25% of such annuity multiplied by the number of full months which elapsed from January 1, 1978, or the date the retirement annuity payments began, whichever is later, to the effective date of the increase.

The annuitant shall receive an increase in his or her monthly retirement annuity on each January 1 thereafter during the annuitant's life of 3% of the monthly annuity provided under Rule 1, Rule 2, Rule 3, Rule 4, or Rule 5 contained in this Section. The change made under this subsection by P.A. 81-970 is effective January 1, 1980 and applies to each annuitant whose status as an employee terminates before or after that date.

Beginning January 1, 1990, all automatic annual increases payable under this Section shall be calculated as a percentage of the total annuity payable at the time of the increase, including all increases previously granted under this Article.

The change made in this subsection by P.A. 85-1008 is effective January 26, 1988, and is applicable without regard to whether status as an employee terminated before that date.

(e) If, on January 1, 1987, or the date the retirement annuity payment period begins, whichever is later, the sum of the retirement annuity provided under Rule 1 or Rule 2 of this Section and the automatic annual increases provided under the preceding subsection or Section 15-136.1, amounts to less than the retirement annuity which would be provided by Rule 3, the retirement annuity shall be increased as of January 1, 1987, or the date the retirement annuity payment period begins, whichever is later, to the amount which would be provided by Rule 3 of this Section. Such increased amount shall be considered as the retirement annuity in determining benefits

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- provided under other Sections of this Article. This paragraph applies without regard to whether status as an employee terminated before the effective date of this amendatory Act of provided that the annuitant was employed at least one-half time during the period on which the final rate of earnings was based.
  - (f) A participant is entitled to such additional annuity as may be provided on an actuarially equivalent basis, by any accumulated additional contributions to his or her credit. However, the additional contributions made by the participant toward the automatic increases in annuity provided under this Section shall not be taken into account in determining the amount of such additional annuity.
    - (g) If, (1) by law, a function of a governmental unit, as defined by Section 20-107 of this Code, is transferred in whole or in part to an employer, and (2) a participant transfers employment from such governmental unit to such employer within 6 months after the transfer of the function, and (3) the sum of (A) the annuity payable to the participant under Rule 1, 2, or 3 of this Section (B) all proportional annuities payable to the participant by all other retirement systems covered by Article 20, and (C) the initial primary insurance amount to which the participant is entitled under the Social Security Act, is less than the retirement annuity which would have been payable if all of the participant's pension credits validated under 20-109 had been validated under this system, Section supplemental annuity equal to the difference in such amounts shall be payable to the participant.
  - (h) On January 1, 1981, an annuitant who was receiving a retirement annuity on or before January 1, 1971 shall have his or her retirement annuity then being paid increased \$1 per month for each year of creditable service. On January 1, 1982, an annuitant whose retirement annuity began on or before January 1, 1977, shall have his or her retirement annuity then being paid increased \$1 per month for each year of creditable service.

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- (i) On January 1, 1987, any annuitant whose retirement annuity began on or before January 1, 1977, shall have the monthly retirement annuity increased by an amount equal to 8¢ per year of creditable service times the number of years that have elapsed since the annuity began.
- (j) On January 1, 2005, every annuitant who began receiving 6 a retirement annuity on or before January 1, 1991 shall have 7 the monthly retirement annuity increased by an amount equal to 8 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of creditable 9 service multiplied by the number of full years that have 10 11 elapsed since the annuity began. Every annuitant who begins 12 receiving a retirement annuity after January 1, 1991 and before January 1, 1998 shall have the monthly retirement annuity 13 increased on January 1, 2005 or on the January 1 occurring on 14 or next following the seventh anniversary of retirement, 15 16 whichever is later, by an amount equal to \$1.75 multiplied by 17 the number of full years of creditable service upon which the retirement annuity is based. The increase under this subsection 18 shall be included in the calculation of increases granted 19 20 simultaneously or thereafter under subsection (d).
- 21 (Source: P.A. 92-16, eff. 6-28-01; 93-347, eff. 7-24-03.)
- 22 (40 ILCS 5/15-136.3)
- Sec. 15-136.3. Minimum retirement annuity.
- (a) Beginning January 1, 1997, any person who is receiving 24 25 a monthly retirement annuity under this Article which, after 26 inclusion of (1) all one-time and automatic annual increases to 27 which the person is entitled, (2) any supplemental annuity payable under Section 15-136.1, and (3) any amount deducted 28 29 under Section 15-138 or 15-140 to provide a reversionary 30 annuity, is less than the minimum monthly retirement benefit 31 amount specified in subsection (b) of this Section, shall be entitled to a monthly supplemental payment equal to the 32 33 difference.
- 34 (b) For purposes of the calculation in subsection (a), the 35 minimum monthly retirement benefit amount is the sum of \$25 for

- each year of service credit, up to a maximum of 30 years of
- 2 service, plus the amount of the increase received by the
- 3 <u>annuitant under subsection (j) of Section 15-136, if any.</u>
- 4 (c) This Section applies to all persons receiving a
- 5 retirement annuity under this Article, without regard to
- 6 whether or not employment terminated prior to the effective
- 7 date of this Section.
- 8 (Source: P.A. 89-616, eff. 8-9-96.)
- 9 (40 ILCS 5/15-145) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 15-145)
- 10 Sec. 15-145. Survivors insurance benefits; conditions and
- 11 amounts.
- 12 (a) The survivors insurance benefits provided under this
- 13 Section shall be payable to the eligible survivors of a
- 14 participant covered under the traditional benefit package upon
- the death of (1) a participating employee with at least 1 1/2
- 16 years of service, (2) a participant who terminated employment
- 17 with at least 10 years of service, and (3) an annuitant in
- 18 receipt of a retirement annuity or disability retirement
- 19 annuity under this Article.
- 20 Service under the State Employees' Retirement System of
- 21 Illinois, the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of
- 22 Illinois and the Public School Teachers' Pension and Retirement
- 23 Fund of Chicago shall be considered in determining eligibility
- for survivors benefits under this Section.
- 25 If by law, a function of a governmental unit, as defined by
- 26 Section 20-107, is transferred in whole or in part to an
- 27 employer, and an employee transfers employment from this
- governmental unit to such employer within 6 months after the
- 29 transfer of this function, the service credits in the
- 30 governmental unit's retirement system which have been
- 31 validated under Section 20-109 shall be considered in
- 32 determining eligibility for survivors benefits under this
- 33 Section.
- 34 (b) A surviving spouse of a deceased participant, or of a
- 35 deceased annuitant who did not take a refund or additional

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annuity consisting of accumulated survivors insurance contributions, shall receive a survivors annuity of 30% of the final rate of earnings. Payments shall begin on the day following the participant's or annuitant's death or the date the surviving spouse attains age 50, whichever is later, and continue until the death of the surviving spouse. The annuity shall be payable to the surviving spouse prior to attainment of age 50 if the surviving spouse has in his or her care a deceased participant's or annuitant's dependent unmarried child under age 18 (under age 22 if a full-time student) who is eligible for a survivors annuity.

Remarriage of a surviving spouse prior to attainment of age 55 that occurs before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly shall disqualify him or her for the receipt of a survivors annuity until July 6, 2000.

A surviving spouse whose survivors annuity has been terminated due to remarriage may apply for reinstatement of that annuity. The reinstated annuity shall begin to accrue on July 6, 2000, except that if, on July 6, 2000, the annuity is payable to an eligible surviving child or parent, payment of the annuity to the surviving spouse shall not be reinstated until the annuity is no longer payable to any eligible surviving child or parent. The reinstated annuity shall include any one-time or annual increases received prior to the date of termination, as well as any increases that would otherwise have date of termination to the accrued from the reinstatement. An eligible surviving spouse whose expectation of receiving a survivors annuity was lost due to remarriage before attainment of age 50 shall also be entitled to reinstatement under this subsection, but the survivors annuity shall not begin to accrue sooner than upon the surviving spouse's attainment of age 50.

The changes made to this subsection by this amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly (pertaining to remarriage prior to age 55 or 50) apply without regard to whether the deceased participant or annuitant was in service on or after the

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effective date of this amendatory Act.

(c) Each dependent unmarried child under age 18 (under age 22 if a full-time student) of a deceased participant, or of a deceased annuitant who did not take a refund or additional annuity consisting of accumulated survivors insurance contributions, shall receive a survivors annuity equal to the sum of (1) 20% of the final rate of earnings, and (2) 10% of the final rate of earnings divided by the number of children entitled to this benefit. Payments shall begin on the day following the participant's or annuitant's death and continue until the child marries, dies, or attains age 18 (age 22 if a full-time student). If the child is in the care of a surviving spouse who is eligible for survivors insurance benefits, the child's benefit shall be paid to the surviving spouse.

Each unmarried child over age 18 of a deceased participant or of a deceased annuitant who had a survivor's insurance beneficiary at the time of his or her retirement, and who was dependent upon the participant or annuitant by reason of a physical or mental disability which began prior to the date the child attained age 18 (age 22 if a full-time student), shall receive a survivor's annuity equal to the sum of (1) 20% of the final rate of earnings, and (2) 10% of the final rate of earnings divided by the number of children entitled to survivors benefits. Payments shall begin on the day following the participant's or annuitant's death and continue until the child marries, dies, or is no longer disabled. If the child is in the care of a surviving spouse who is eligible for survivors insurance benefits, the child's benefit may be paid to the surviving spouse. For the purposes of this Section, disability means inability to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment that can be expected to result in death or that has lasted or can be expected to last for a continuous period of at least one year.

(d) Each dependent parent of a deceased participant, or of a deceased annuitant who did not take a refund or additional

annuity consisting of accumulated survivors insurance contributions, shall receive a survivors annuity equal to the sum of (1) 20% of final rate of earnings, and (2) 10% of final rate of earnings divided by the number of parents who qualify for the benefit. Payments shall begin when the parent reaches age 55 or the day following the participant's or annuitant's death, whichever is later, and continue until the parent dies. Remarriage of a parent prior to attainment of age 55 shall disqualify the parent for the receipt of a survivors annuity.

- (e) In addition to the survivors annuity provided above, each survivors insurance beneficiary shall, upon death of the participant or annuitant, receive a lump sum payment of \$1,000 divided by the number of such beneficiaries.
- (f) The changes made in this Section by Public Act 81-712 pertaining to survivors annuities in cases of remarriage prior to age 55 shall apply to each survivors insurance beneficiary who remarries after June 30, 1979, regardless of the date that the participant or annuitant terminated his employment or died.

The change made to this Section by this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly, pertaining to remarriage prior to age 55, applies without regard to whether the deceased participant or annuitant was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly.

(g) On January 1, 1981, any person who was receiving a survivors annuity on or before January 1, 1971 shall have the survivors annuity then being paid increased by 1% for each full year which has elapsed from the date the annuity began. On January 1, 1982, any survivor whose annuity began after January 1, 1971, but before January 1, 1981, shall have the survivor's annuity then being paid increased by 1% for each year which has elapsed from the date the survivor's annuity began. On January 1, 1987, any survivor who began receiving a survivor's annuity on or before January 1, 1977, shall have the monthly survivor's annuity increased by \$1 for each full year which has elapsed since the date the survivor's annuity began.

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- (g-1) On January 1, 2005, every survivor who began receiving a survivor's annuity on or before January 1, 1991 shall have the monthly survivor's annuity increased by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of the deceased's creditable service multiplied by the sum of (i) the number of full years that have elapsed since the survivor's annuity began and (ii) the number of full years, if any, during which the deceased received a retirement annuity under this Article. Every survivor who begins receiving a survivor's annuity after January 1, 1991 and before January 1, 2005 shall have the monthly survivor's annuity increased on January 1, 2005 or on the January 1 occurring on or next following the seventh anniversary of the commencement of the survivor's annuity, whichever is later, by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of the deceased's creditable service multiplied by the sum of (i) the number of full years that have elapsed since the survivor's annuity began and (ii) the number of full years, if any, during which the deceased received a retirement annuity under this Article. The increase under this subsection shall be included in the calculation of increases granted simultaneously or thereafter under subsection (j).
  - (h) If the sum of the lump sum and total monthly survivor benefits payable under this Section upon the death of a participant amounts to less than the sum of the death benefits payable under items (2) and (3) of Section 15-141, the difference shall be paid in a lump sum to the beneficiary of the participant who is living on the date that this additional amount becomes payable.
  - (i) If the sum of the lump sum and total monthly survivor benefits payable under this Section upon the death of an annuitant receiving a retirement annuity or disability retirement annuity amounts to less than the death benefit payable under Section 15-142, the difference shall be paid to the beneficiary of the annuitant who is living on the date that this additional amount becomes payable.

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- (j) Effective on the later of (1) January 1, 1990, or (2) the January 1 on or next after the date on which the survivor annuity begins, if the deceased member died while receiving a retirement annuity, or in all other cases the January 1 nearest the first anniversary of the date the survivor annuity payments begin, every survivors insurance beneficiary shall receive an increase in his or her monthly survivors annuity of 3%. On each January 1 after the initial increase, the monthly survivors annuity shall be increased by 3% of the total survivors annuity provided under this Article, including previous increases provided by this subsection. Such increases shall apply to the survivors insurance beneficiaries of each participant and annuitant, whether or not the employment status of the participant or annuitant terminates before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1990. This subsection (j) also applies to persons receiving a survivor annuity under the portable benefit package.
  - (k) If the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, requires that the survivors benefits be payable at an age earlier than that specified in this Section the benefits shall begin at the earlier age, in which event, the survivor's beneficiary shall be entitled only to that amount which is equal to the actuarial equivalent of the benefits provided by this Section.
- (1) The changes made to this Section and Section 15-131 by this amendatory Act of 1997, relating to benefits for certain unmarried children who are full-time students under age 22, apply without regard to whether the deceased member was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997. These changes do not authorize the repayment of a refund or a re-election of benefits, and any benefit or increase in benefits resulting from these changes is not payable retroactively for any period before the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1997.
- 35 (Source: P.A. 91-887, eff. 7-6-00; 92-749, eff. 8-2-02.)

- 1 (40 ILCS 5/16-133.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 16-133.1)
- 2 Sec. 16-133.1. Automatic annual increase in annuity.
  - (a) Each member with creditable service and retiring on or after August 26, 1969 is entitled to the automatic annual increases in annuity provided under this Section while receiving a retirement annuity or disability retirement annuity from the system.

An annuitant shall first be entitled to an initial increase under this Section on the January 1 next following the first anniversary of retirement, or January 1 of the year next following attainment of age 61, whichever is later. At such time, the system shall pay an initial increase determined as follows:

- (1) 1.5% of the originally granted retirement annuity or disability retirement annuity multiplied by the number of years elapsed, if any, from the date of retirement until January 1, 1972, plus
- (2) 2% of the originally granted annuity multiplied by the number of years elapsed, if any, from the date of retirement or January 1, 1972, whichever is later, until January 1, 1978, plus
- (3) 3% of the originally granted annuity multiplied by the number of years elapsed from the date of retirement or January 1, 1978, whichever is later, until the effective date of the initial increase.

However, the initial annual increase calculated under this Section for the recipient of a disability retirement annuity granted under Section 16-149.2 shall be reduced by an amount equal to the total of all increases in that annuity received under Section 16-149.5 (but not exceeding 100% of the amount of the initial increase otherwise provided under this Section).

Following the initial increase, automatic annual increases in annuity shall be payable on each January 1 thereafter during the lifetime of the annuitant, determined as a percentage of the originally granted retirement annuity or disability retirement annuity for increases granted prior to January 1,

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- 1990, and calculated as a percentage of the total amount of 2 annuity, including previous increases under this Section, for increases granted on or after January 1, 1990, as follows: 1.5% 3
  - for periods prior to January 1, 1972, 2% for periods after
- 5 December 31, 1971 and prior to January 1, 1978, and 3% for
- 6 periods after December 31, 1977.
  - (b) The automatic annual increases in annuity provided under this Section shall not be applicable unless a member has made contributions toward such increases for a equivalent to one full year of creditable service. If a member contributes for service performed after August 26, 1969 but the member becomes an annuitant before such contributions amount to one full year's contributions based on the salary at the date of retirement, he or she may pay the necessary balance of the contributions to the system and be eligible for the automatic annual increases in annuity provided under this Section.
    - (c) Each member shall make contributions toward the cost of the automatic annual increases in annuity as provided under Section 16-152.
    - (d) An annuitant receiving a retirement annuity disability retirement annuity on July 1, 1969, who subsequently re-enters service as a teacher is eligible for the automatic annual increases in annuity provided under this Section if he or she renders at least one year of creditable service following the latest re-entry.
  - In addition to the automatic annual increases in annuity provided under this Section, an annuitant who meets the service requirements of this Section and whose retirement annuity or disability retirement annuity began on or before January 1, 1971 shall receive, on January 1, 1981, an increase in the annuity then being paid of one dollar per month for each year of creditable service. On January 1, 1982, an annuitant whose retirement annuity or disability retirement annuity began on or before January 1, 1977 shall receive an increase in the annuity then being paid of one dollar per month for each year of creditable service.

On January 1, 1987, any annuitant whose retirement annuity began on or before January 1, 1977, shall receive an increase in the monthly retirement annuity equal to 8¢ per year of creditable service times the number of years that have elapsed since the annuity began.

(f) On January 1, 2005, every annuitant who began receiving a retirement annuity on or before January 1, 1991 shall have the monthly retirement annuity increased by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of creditable service multiplied by the number of full years that have elapsed since the annuity began. Every annuitant who begins receiving a retirement annuity after January 1, 1991 and before July 1, 1998 shall have the monthly retirement annuity increased on January 1, 2005 or on the January 1 occurring on or next following the seventh anniversary of retirement, whichever is later, by an amount equal to \$1.75 multiplied by the number of full years of creditable service upon which the retirement annuity is based. The increase under this subsection shall be included in the calculation of increases granted simultaneously or thereafter under subsection (a).

21 (Source: P.A. 91-927, eff. 12-14-00.)

22 (40 ILCS 5/16-143.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 16-143.1)

Sec. 16-143.1. Increase in survivor benefits.

(a) Beginning January 1, 1990, each survivor's benefit and each reversionary annuity payable under Section 16-136 shall be increased by 3% of the currently payable amount thereof (1) on each January 1 occurring on or after the commencement of the annuity if the deceased teacher died while receiving a retirement or disability retirement annuity, or (2) in other cases, on each January 1 occurring on or after the first anniversary of the granting of the benefit, without regard to whether the deceased teacher was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1991, but such increases shall not accrue for any period prior to January 1, 1990.

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(Source: P.A. 86-273; 86-1488.)

(b) On January 1, 1981, any beneficiary who was receiving a survivor's monthly benefit on or before January 1, 1971, shall have the benefit then being paid increased by 1% for each full year elapsed from the date the survivor's benefit began. On January 1, 1982, any beneficiary who began receiving a survivor's monthly benefit after January 1, 1971, but before January 1, 1981 shall have the benefit then being paid increased by 1% for each year elapsed from the date the survivor's benefit began.

On January 1, 1987, any beneficiary whose monthly survivor's benefit began on or before January 1, 1977, shall have the monthly survivor's benefit increased by \$1 for each full year which has elapsed since the date the survivor's benefit began.

(c) On January 1, 2005, every survivor who began receiving a survivor's benefit on or before January 1, 1991 shall have the monthly survivor's benefit increased by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of the deceased's creditable service multiplied by the sum of (i) the number of full years that have elapsed since the survivor's benefit began and (ii) the number of full years, if any, during which the deceased received a retirement annuity under this Article. Every survivor who begins receiving a survivor's benefit after January 1, 1991 and before January 1, 2005 shall have the monthly survivor's benefit increased on January 1, 2005 or on the January 1 occurring on or next following the seventh anniversary of the commencement of the survivor's benefit, whichever is later, by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of the deceased's creditable service multiplied by the sum of (i) the number of full years that have elapsed since the survivor's benefit began and (ii) the number of full years, if any, during which the deceased received a retirement annuity under this Article. The increase under this subsection shall be included in the calculation of increases granted simultaneously or thereafter under subsection (a).

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- 1 (40 ILCS 5/17-119) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-119)
- 2 Sec. 17-119. Automatic annual increase in pension.
  - (a) 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 disability retirement pension in the amount fixed and payable at the date of retirement of a teacher.
    - 2. The annual increase in pension shall be at the rate of 1 1/2% of base pension. This increase shall first occur in January of the year next following the first anniversary of retirement. At such time the Fund shall pay the pro rata part of the increase for the period from the first anniversary date to the date of the first increase in pension. Beginning January 1, 1972, the rate of annual increase in pension shall be 2% of the base pension. Beginning January 1, 1979, the rate of annual increase in pension shall be 3% of the base pension. 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.
    - 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.
  - (b) 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

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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

elapsed since the retirement pension began.

(c) On January 1, 2005, every pensioner who began receiving a retirement pension on or before January 1, 1991 shall have the monthly retirement pension increased by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of creditable service multiplied by the number of full years that have elapsed since the pension began. Every pensioner who begins receiving a retirement pension after January 1, 1991 and before July 1, 1998 shall have the monthly retirement pension increased on January 1, 2005 or on the January 1 occurring on or next following the seventh anniversary of retirement, whichever is later, by an amount equal to \$1.75 multiplied by the number of full years of creditable service upon which the retirement pension is based. The increase under this subsection shall be included in the calculation of increases granted simultaneously or thereafter under subsection (a). Section 17-157 does not apply to the increase provided under this subsection.

26 (Source: P.A. 90-566, eff. 1-2-98.)

27 (40 ILCS 5/17-122) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-122)

Sec. 17-122. Survivor's and children's pensions - Amount.

(a) Upon the death of a teacher who has completed at least 1 1/2 years of contributing service with either this Fund or the State Universities Retirement System or the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois, provided his death occurred while (a) in active service covered by the Fund or during his first 18 months of continuous employment without a break in service under any other participating system as

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30% of average salary or 50% of the retirement pension earned by the teacher, whichever is larger, subject to the prescribed maximum monthly payment, for a surviving spouse alone on attainment of age 50;

60% of average salary for a surviving spouse and eligible minor children of the deceased teacher.

If no eligible spouse survives, or the surviving spouse remarries, or the parent of the children of the deceased member is otherwise ineligible for a survivor's pension, a children's pension for eligible minor children under age 18 shall be paid to their parent or legal guardian for their benefit according to the following percentages:

30% of average salary for one child;

60% of average salary for 2 or more children.

(b) On January 1, 1981, any survivor or child who was receiving a survivor's or children's pension on or before January 1, 1971, shall have his survivor's or children's pension then being paid increased by 1% for each full year which has elapsed from the date the pension began. On January 1, 1982, any survivor or child whose pension began after January 1, 1971, but before January 1, 1981, shall have his

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survivor's or children's pension then being paid increased 1% for each full year which has elapsed from the date the pension began. On January 1, 1987, any survivor or child whose pension began on or before January 1, 1977, shall have the monthly survivor's or children's pension increased by \$1 for each full

year which has elapsed since the pension began.

(c) On January 1, 2005, every survivor or child who began receiving a survivor's or children's pension on or before January 1, 1991 shall have the monthly pension increased by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of the deceased's creditable service multiplied by the sum of (i) the number of full years that have elapsed since the survivor's or children's pension began and (ii) the number of full years, if any, during which the deceased received a retirement pension under this Article. Every survivor or child who begins receiving a survivor's or children's pension after January 1, 1991 and before January 1, 2005 shall have the monthly pension increased on January 1, 2005 or on the January 1 occurring on or next following the seventh anniversary of the commencement of the pension, whichever is later, by an amount equal to 25¢ multiplied by the number of full years of the deceased's creditable service multiplied by the sum of (i) the number of full years that have elapsed since the survivor's annuity began and (ii) the number of full years, if any, during which the deceased received a retirement pension under this Article. The increase under this subsection shall be included in the calculation of increases granted simultaneously or thereafter under subsection (d). Section 17-157 does not apply to the increase provided under this subsection.

(d) Beginning January 1, 1990, every survivor's and children's pension shall be increased (1) on each January 1 occurring on or after the commencement of the pension if the deceased teacher died while receiving a retirement pension, or (2) in other cases, on each January 1 occurring on or after the first anniversary of the commencement of the pension, by an amount equal to 3% of the current amount of the pension,

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including all increases previously granted under this Article, notwithstanding Section 17-157. Such increases shall apply without regard to whether the deceased teacher was in service on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of 1991,

5 but shall not accrue for any period prior to January 1, 1990.

(e) Subject to the minimum established below, the maximum amount of pension for a surviving spouse alone or one minor child shall be \$400 per month, and the maximum combined pensions for a surviving spouse and children of the deceased teacher shall be \$600 per month, with individual pensions adjusted for all beneficiaries pro rata to conform with this limitation. If proration is unnecessary the minimum survivor's and children's pensions shall be \$40 per month. The minimum total survivor's and children's pension payable upon the death of a contributor or annuitant which occurs after December 31, 1986, shall be 50% of the earned retirement pension of such contributor or annuitant, calculated without early retirement discount in the case of death in service.

On death after retirement, the total survivor's and children's pensions shall not exceed the monthly retirement or disability pension paid to the deceased retirant. Survivor's and children's benefits described in this Section shall apply to all service and disability pensioners eligible for a pension as of July 1, 1981.

25 (Source: P.A. 90-32, eff. 6-27-97; 90-566, eff. 1-2-98.)

Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding Section 8.28 as follows:

28 (30 ILCS 805/8.28 new)

Sec. 8.28. 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
the 93rd General Assembly.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

1 becoming law.