

## 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

# 2003 and 2004

#### SB2485

Introduced 2/3/2004, by John J. Cullerton

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/17-119 30 ILCS 805/8.28 new from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-119

Amends the Chicago Teacher Article of the Pension Code. Accelerates the initial annual increase in retirement pension to the January following the first anniversary of retirement. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY PENSION IMPACT NOTE ACT MAY APPLY STATE MANDATES ACT MAY REQUIRE REIMBURSEMENT SB2485

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AN ACT in relation to 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
Section 17-119 as follows:

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(40 ILCS 5/17-119) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-119)

Sec. 17-119. Automatic annual increase in pension.

8 <u>(a)</u> Each teacher retiring on or after September 1, 1959, is 9 entitled to the annual increase in pension, defined herein, 10 while he is receiving a pension from the Fund.

 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.

14 2. The annual increase in pension shall be at the rate of 1 1/2% of base pension. This increase shall first occur 15 in January of the year next following the first anniversary 16 of retirement. At such time the Fund shall pay the pro rata 17 part of the increase for the period from the first 18 19 anniversary date to the date of the first increase in pension. Beginning January 1, 1972, the rate of annual 20 increase in pension shall be 2% of the base pension. 21 Beginning January 1, 1979, the rate of annual increase in 22 pension shall be 3% of the base pension. Beginning January 23 24 1, 1990, all automatic annual increases payable under this 25 Section shall be calculated as a percentage of the total 26 pension payable at the time of the increase, including all 27 increases previously granted under this Article, notwithstanding Section 17-157. 28

3. For a retired teacher who withdraws from service
 before January 1, 2005, 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

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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.

For a retired teacher who withdraws from service on or after January 1, 2005, the increase in pension shall begin in the January next following the first anniversary of retirement. At such time the Fund shall also pay the pro rata part of the increase from the first anniversary of retirement to the date of first increase in pension.

11 (b) In addition to other increases which may be provided by 12 this Section, on January 1, 1981 any teacher who was receiving a retirement pension on or before January 1, 1971 shall have 13 his retirement pension then being paid increased \$1 per month 14 for each year of creditable service. On January 1, 1982, any 15 16 teacher whose retirement pension began on or before January 1, 17 1977, shall have his retirement pension then being paid increased \$1 per month for each year of creditable service. 18

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.

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

25 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding 26 Section 8.28 as follows:

27 (30 ILCS 805/8.28 new)

28 Sec. 8.28. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8 29 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the 30 implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of 31 the 93rd General Assembly.

32 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 33 becoming law.