

## 94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2005 and 2006 HB3493

Introduced 2/23/2005, by Rep. Thomas Holbrook

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/16-132

from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 16-132

Amends the Downstate Teacher Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that a member who is eligible to receive a retirement annuity of at least 74.6% of final average salary and who will attain age 55 on or after May 15 of the calendar year of retirement shall be deemed to attain age 55 on May 15 of that calendar year (now who will attain age 55 on or before December 31 during the year which commences on July 1 shall be deemed to attain age 55 on the preceding June 1). 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:

4 Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by changing 5 Section 16-132 as follows:

(40 ILCS 5/16-132) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 16-132) 6

Sec. 16-132. Retirement annuity eligibility. A member who has at least 20 years of creditable service is entitled to a retirement annuity upon or after attainment of age 55. A member who has at least 10 but less than 20 years of creditable service is entitled to a retirement annuity upon or after attainment of age 60. A member who has at least 5 but less than 10 years of creditable service is entitled to a retirement annuity upon or after attainment of age 62. A member who (i) has earned during the period immediately preceding the last day of service at least one year of contributing creditable service as an employee of a department as defined in Section 14-103.04, (ii) has earned at least 5 years of contributing creditable service as an employee of a department as defined in Section 14-103.04, and (iii) retires on or after January 1, 2001 is entitled to a retirement annuity upon or after attainment of an age which, when added to the number of years of his or her total creditable service, equals at least 85. Portions of years shall be counted as decimal equivalents.

A member who is eligible to receive a retirement annuity of at least 74.6% of final average salary and will attain age 55 on or <u>after May 15 and on or before December 31 of the calendar</u> year of retirement before December 31 during the year which commences on July 1 shall be deemed to attain age 55 on May 15 of that calendar year the preceding June 1.

A member meeting the above eligibility conditions is entitled to a retirement annuity upon written application to

- 1 the board setting forth the date the member wishes the
- 2 retirement annuity to commence. However, the effective date of
- 3 the retirement annuity shall be no earlier than the day
- 4 following the last day of creditable service, regardless of the
- 5 date of official termination of employment.
- To be eligible for a retirement annuity, a member shall not
- 7 be employed as a teacher in the schools included under this
- 8 System or under Article 17, except (i) as provided in Section
- 9 16-118 or 16-150.1, (ii) if the member is disabled (in which
- 10 event, eligibility for salary must cease), or (iii) if the
- 11 System is required by federal law to commence payment due to
- 12 the member's age; the changes to this sentence made by this
- amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly apply without
- 14 regard to whether the member terminated employment before or
- 15 after its effective date.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 93-320, eff. 7-23-03.)
- 17 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 18 becoming law.