### 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

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#### SB1613

Introduced 2/9/2011, by Sen. Iris Y. Martinez

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/1-107 30 ILCS 805/8.35 new from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 1-107

Amends the Illinois Pension Code. Requires (rather than authorizes) every retirement system other than the State-funded retirement systems to indemnify and protect its board of trustees from damage claims for negligent or wrongful acts. Authorizes the State-funded retirement systems and the Illinois State Board of Investment to offer similar indemnification. Amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement. Effective immediately.

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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
  Section 1-107 as follows:
- 6 (40 ILCS 5/1-107) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 1-107)

Sec. 1-107. Indemnification of trustees, consultants and
employees of retirement systems and pension funds.

9 (a) Every retirement system, pension fund, or other system or fund established under this Code, other than a retirement 10 system established under Article 2, 14, 15, 16, or 18 of this 11 12 Code or the investment board established under Article 22A of this Code, must indemnify and protect the trustees against all 13 14 damage claims and suits, including defense thereof, when damages are sought for negligent or wrongful acts alleged to 15 16 have been committed in the scope of their powers and duties as 17 trustees.

Every retirement system established under Article 2, 14, 19 <u>15, 16, or 18 of this Code may indemnify and protect the</u> 20 <u>trustees against all damage claims and suits, including defense</u> 21 <u>thereof, when damages are sought for negligent or wrongful acts</u> 22 <u>alleged to have been committed in the scope of their powers and</u> 23 <u>duties as trustees.</u> - 2 - LRB097 07600 JDS 47711 b

1 <u>The investment board established under Article 22A of this</u> 2 <u>Code may indemnify and protect its members against all damage</u> 3 <u>claims and suits, including defense thereof, when damages are</u> 4 <u>sought for negligent or wrongful acts alleged to have been</u> 5 committed in the scope of their powers and duties as members.

(b) Except as provided in subsection (a), every Every 6 7 retirement system, pension fund or other system or fund 8 established under this Code may indemnify and protect the 9 trustees, staff and consultants against all damage claims and 10 suits, including defense thereof, when damages are sought for 11 negligent or wrongful acts alleged to have been committed in 12 the scope of employment or under the direction of the trustees. 13 However, the trustees, staff and consultants shall not be for 14 indemnified willful wilful misconduct and aross 15 negligence. Each board is authorized to insure against loss or 16 liability of the trustees, staff and consultants which may 17 result from these damage claims. This insurance shall be carried in a company which is licensed to write such coverage 18 19 in this State.

20 (Source: P.A. 80-1364.)

21 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding 22 Section 8.35 as follows:

23 (30 ILCS 805/8.35 new)

24 Sec. 8.35. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8

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of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly.

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