- 1 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:
- 4 Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by
- 5 adding Section 16-153.5 as follows:
- 6 (40 ILCS 5/16-153.5 new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 16-153.5. Election of medicare coverage.</u>
- 8 <u>(a) The System shall conduct a divided medicare coverage</u>
- 9 referendum, open to teachers continuously employed by the
- same employer since March 31, 1986. The referendum shall be
- 11 <u>conducted in accordance with the applicable provisions of</u>
- 12 <u>federal law and Article 21 of this Code.</u>
- 13 (b) As used in this Section and in compliance with
- 14 <u>federal law, "referendum" means the process whereby teachers</u>
- 15 <u>are granted the opportunity to make an irrevocable individual</u>
- 16 <u>election to participate in the medicare program on a</u>
- 17 <u>prospective basis.</u>
- 18 <u>(c) Employers shall pay the necessary employer</u>
- 19 <u>contributions and make the necessary deductions from salary</u>
- 20 <u>for teachers who elect to participate in the federal medicare</u>
- 21 program under this Section, as required by the System,
- 22 <u>Article 21 of this Code, and federal law.</u>
- 23 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding
- 24 Section 8.27 as follows:
- 25 (30 ILCS 805/8.27 new)
- 26 <u>Sec. 8.27. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6</u>
- 27 and 8 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required
- 28 for the implementation of any mandate created by this
- 29 <u>amendatory Act of the 93rd General Assembly.</u>

- Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 1
- 2 becoming law.