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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 17-142.1 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/17-142.1) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-142.1)

Sec. 17-142.1. To defray health insurance costs. To provide
for the partial reimbursement of health insurance costs.

9 (1) On the first day of September of each year, beginning 10 in 1988, the Board may, by separate warrant, pay to each 11 recipient of a service retirement, disability retirement or 12 survivor's pension an amount to be determined by the Board, 13 which shall represent partial reimbursement for the cost of the 14 recipient's health insurance coverage.

15 (2) In lieu of the annual payment authorized in subdivision (1), for pensioners enrolled in the Fund's regular health care 16 17 deduction plans, the Fund may pay the health insurance premium reimbursement on a monthly rather than annual basis, at the 18 19 percentage rate established from time to time by the Board. If 20 the Board so directs, these monthly payments may be made in the form of a direct payment of premium and a reduction in the 21 22 amount deducted from the annuity, rather than in the form of 23 reimbursement by separate warrant.

(3) Total payments under this Section in any year may not
exceed <u>\$65,000,000</u> \$40,000,000 plus any amount that was
authorized to be paid under this Section in the preceding year
but was not actually paid by the Board, including any interest
<u>earned thereon</u>.

29 (Source: P.A. 90-566, eff. 1-2-98; 91-852, eff. 6-22-00.)

30 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding 31 Section 8.27 as follows:

1	(30 ILCS 805/8.27 new)
2	Sec. 8.27. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and
3	8 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for
4	the implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory
5	Act of the 93rd General Assembly.
6	Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

7 becoming law.