

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB0230

Introduced 1/13/2005, by Rep. Calvin L. Giles

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/17-130.3 new 30 ILCS 805/8.29 new

Amends the Chicago Teacher Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Directs the Fund to conduct a divided medicare coverage referendum, open to teachers continuously employed by the same employer since March 31, 1986. Allows eligible teachers to irrevocably elect to participate in the federal medicare program. 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 adding
Section 17-130.3 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/17-130.3 new)

7 <u>Sec. 17-130.3. Election of medicare coverage.</u>

8 <u>(a) The Fund shall conduct a divided medicare coverage</u> 9 <u>referendum, open to teachers continuously employed by the same</u> 10 <u>employer since March 31, 1986. The referendum shall be</u> 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 federal 14 law, "referendum" means the process whereby teachers are 15 granted the opportunity to make an irrevocable individual 16 election to participate in the medicare program on a 17 prospective basis.

18 (c) Employers shall pay the necessary employer
19 contributions and make the necessary deductions from salary for
20 teachers who elect to participate in the federal medicare
21 program under this Section, as required by the System, Article
22 21 of this Code, and federal law.

23 Section 90. The State Mandates Act is amended by adding 24 Section 8.29 as follows:

- (30 ILCS 805/8.29 new)
 Sec. 8.29. Exempt mandate. Notwithstanding Sections 6 and 8
 of this Act, no reimbursement by the State is required for the
 implementation of any mandate created by this amendatory Act of
 the 94th General Assembly.
- 30 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

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1 becoming law.