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1	AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 5485
2	AMENDMENT NO Amend House Bill 5485 by replacing
3	everything after the enacting clause with the following:
4	"Section 5. The Illinois Public Labor Relations Act is
5	amended by changing Section 14 as follows:
6	(5 ILCS 315/14) (from Ch. 48, par. 1614)
7	Sec. 14. Security Employee, Peace Officer and Fire Fighter
8	Disputes.
9	(a) In the case of collective bargaining agreements
10	involving units of security employees of a public employer,
11	Peace Officer Units, or units of fire fighters or paramedics,
12	and in the case of disputes under Section 18, unless the
13	parties mutually agree to some other time limit, mediation
14	shall commence 30 days prior to the expiration date of such
15	agreement or at such later time as the mediation services
16	chosen under subsection (b) of Section 12 can be provided to

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1 the parties. In the case of negotiations for an initial collective bargaining agreement, mediation shall commence upon 2 3 15 days notice from either party or at such later time as the 4 mediation services chosen pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 5 12 can be provided to the parties. In mediation under this Section, if either party requests the use of mediation services 6 from the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, the other 7 8 party shall either join in such request or bear the additional cost of mediation services from another source. The mediator 9 10 shall have a duty to keep the Board informed on the progress of 11 the mediation. If any dispute has not been resolved within 15 days after the first meeting of the parties and the mediator, 12 13 or within such other time limit as may be mutually agreed upon 14 by the parties, either the exclusive representative or employer 15 may request of the other, in writing, arbitration, and shall 16 submit a copy of the request to the Board.

(b) Within 10 days after such a request for arbitration has been made, the employer shall choose a delegate and the employees' exclusive representative shall choose a delegate to a panel of arbitration as provided in this Section. The employer and employees shall forthwith advise the other and the Board of their selections.

(c) Within 7 days after the request of either party, the parties shall request a panel of impartial arbitrators from which they shall select the neutral chairman according to the procedures provided in this Section. If the parties have agreed 09800HB5485ham001 -3- LRB098 20096 OMW 56369 a

1 to a contract that contains a grievance resolution procedure as provided in Section 8, the chairman shall be selected using 2 3 their agreed contract procedure unless they mutually agree to 4 another procedure. If the parties fail to notify the Board of 5 their selection of neutral chairman within 7 days after receipt of the list of impartial arbitrators, the Board shall appoint, 6 at random, a neutral chairman from the list. In the absence of 7 an agreed contract procedure for selecting an impartial 8 9 arbitrator, either party may request a panel from the Board. 10 Within 7 days of the request of either party, the Board shall 11 select from the Public Employees Labor Mediation Roster 7 persons who are on the labor arbitration panels of either the 12 13 American Arbitration Association or the Federal Mediation and 14 Conciliation Service, or who are members of the National 15 Academy of Arbitrators, as nominees for impartial arbitrator of 16 the arbitration panel. The parties may select an individual on the list provided by the Board or any other individual mutually 17 agreed upon by the parties. Within 7 days following the receipt 18 of the list, the parties shall notify the Board of the person 19 20 they have selected. Unless the parties agree on an alternate selection procedure, they shall alternatively strike one name 21 22 from the list provided by the Board until only one name 23 remains. A coin toss shall determine which party shall strike 24 the first name. If the parties fail to notify the Board in a 25 timely manner of their selection for neutral chairman, the 26 Board shall appoint a neutral chairman from the Illinois Public 09800HB5485ham001

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Employees Mediation/Arbitration Roster.

2 (d) The chairman shall call a hearing to begin within 15 days and give reasonable notice of the time and place of the 3 4 hearing. The hearing shall be held at the offices of the Board 5 or at such other location as the Board deems appropriate. The 6 chairman shall preside over the hearing and shall take testimony. Any oral or documentary evidence and other data 7 8 deemed relevant by the arbitration panel may be received in 9 evidence. The proceedings shall be informal. Technical rules of 10 evidence shall not apply and the competency of the evidence 11 shall not thereby be deemed impaired. A verbatim record of the proceedings shall be made and the arbitrator shall arrange for 12 13 the necessary recording service. Transcripts may be ordered at 14 the expense of the party ordering them, but the transcripts 15 shall not be necessary for a decision by the arbitration panel. 16 The expense of the proceedings, including a fee for the chairman, shall be borne equally by each of the parties to the 17 dispute. The delegates, if public officers or employees, shall 18 continue on the payroll of the public employer without loss of 19 20 pay. The hearing conducted by the arbitration panel may be adjourned from time to time, but unless otherwise agreed by the 21 22 parties, shall be concluded within 30 days of the time of its 23 commencement. Majority actions and rulings shall constitute 24 the actions and rulings of the arbitration panel. Arbitration 25 proceedings under this Section shall not be interrupted or 26 terminated by reason of any unfair labor practice charge filed 09800HB5485ham001

1 by either party at any time.

2 (e) The arbitration panel may administer oaths, require the attendance of witnesses, and the production of such books, 3 4 papers, contracts, agreements and documents as may be deemed by 5 it material to a just determination of the issues in dispute, 6 and for such purpose may issue subpoenas. If any person refuses to obey a subpoena, or refuses to be sworn or to testify, or if 7 8 any witness, party or attorney is guilty of any contempt while 9 in attendance at any hearing, the arbitration panel may, or the 10 attorney general if requested shall, invoke the aid of any 11 circuit court within the jurisdiction in which the hearing is being held, which court shall issue an appropriate order. Any 12 13 failure to obey the order may be punished by the court as 14 contempt.

15 (f) At any time before the rendering of an award, the 16 chairman of the arbitration panel, if he is of the opinion that it would be useful or beneficial to do so, may remand the 17 dispute to the parties for further collective bargaining for a 18 period not to exceed 2 weeks. If the dispute is remanded for 19 20 further collective bargaining the time provisions of this Act shall be extended for a time period equal to that of the 21 22 remand. The chairman of the panel of arbitration shall notify the Board of the remand. 23

(g) At or before the conclusion of the hearing held pursuant to subsection (d), the arbitration panel shall identify the economic issues in dispute, and direct each of the 09800HB5485ham001 -6- LRB098 20096 OMW 56369 a

1 parties to submit, within such time limit as the panel shall prescribe, to the arbitration panel and to each other its last 2 offer of settlement on each economic issue. The determination 3 4 of the arbitration panel as to the issues in dispute and as to 5 which of these issues are economic shall be conclusive. The arbitration panel, within 30 days after the conclusion of the 6 hearing, or such further additional periods to which the 7 8 parties may agree, shall make written findings of fact and 9 promulgate a written opinion and shall mail or otherwise 10 deliver a true copy thereof to the parties and their 11 representatives and to the Board. As to each economic issue, the arbitration panel shall adopt the last offer of settlement 12 13 which, in the opinion of the arbitration panel, more nearly 14 complies with the applicable factors prescribed in subsection 15 (h). The findings, opinions and order as to all other issues 16 shall be based upon the applicable factors prescribed in 17 subsection (h).

18 (h) Where there is no agreement between the parties, or 19 where there is an agreement but the parties have begun 20 negotiations or discussions looking to a new agreement or 21 amendment of the existing agreement, and wage rates or other 22 conditions of employment under the proposed new or amended 23 agreement are in dispute, the arbitration panel shall base its 24 findings, opinions and order upon the following factors, as 25 applicable:

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(1) The lawful authority of the employer.

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(2) Stipulations of the parties.

2 (3) The interests and welfare of the public and the 3 financial ability of the unit of government to meet those 4 costs.

5 (4) Comparison of the wages, hours and conditions of 6 employment of the employees involved in the arbitration 7 proceeding with the wages, hours and conditions of 8 employment of other employees performing similar services 9 and with other employees generally:

10 (A) In public employment in comparable11 communities.

12 (B) In private employment in comparable13 communities.

14 (5) The average consumer prices for goods and services,
15 commonly known as the cost of living.

(6) The overall compensation presently received by the
employees, including direct wage compensation, vacations,
holidays and other excused time, insurance and pensions,
medical and hospitalization benefits, the continuity and
stability of employment and all other benefits received.

(7) Changes in any of the foregoing circumstances
during the pendency of the arbitration proceedings.

(8) Such other factors, not confined to the foregoing,
which are normally or traditionally taken into
consideration in the determination of wages, hours and
conditions of employment through voluntary collective

bargaining, mediation, fact-finding, arbitration or
otherwise between the parties, in the public service or in
private employment.

4 (i) In the case of peace officers, the arbitration decision 5 shall be limited to wages, hours, and conditions of employment 6 (which may include residency requirements in municipalities with a population under 1,000,000, but those residency 7 requirements shall not allow residency outside of Illinois) and 8 9 shall not include the following: i) residency requirements in 10 municipalities with a population of at least 1,000,000; ii) the 11 type of equipment, other than uniforms, issued or used; iii) manning; iv) the total number of employees employed by the 12 13 department; v) mutual aid and assistance agreements to other units of government; and vi) the criterion pursuant to which 14 15 force, including deadly force, can be used; provided, nothing 16 herein shall preclude an arbitration decision regarding equipment or manning levels if such decision is based on a 17 finding that the equipment or manning considerations in a 18 19 specific work assignment involve a serious risk to the safety 20 of a peace officer beyond that which is inherent in the normal performance of police duties. Limitation of the terms of the 21 22 arbitration decision pursuant to this subsection shall not be 23 construed to limit the factors upon which the decision may be 24 based, as set forth in subsection (h).

In the case of fire fighter, and fire department or fire district paramedic matters, the arbitration decision shall be 09800HB5485ham001 -9- LRB098 20096 OMW 56369 a

1 limited to wages, hours, and conditions of employment 2 (including manning and also including which may include residency requirements in municipalities with a population 3 4 under 1,000,000, but those residency requirements shall not 5 allow residency outside of Illinois) and shall not include the 6 following matters: i) residency requirements in municipalities 7 with a population of at least 1,000,000; ii) the type of 8 equipment (other than uniforms and fire fighter turnout gear) issued or used; iii) the total number of employees employed by 9 10 the department; iv) mutual aid and assistance agreements to 11 other units of government; and v) the criterion pursuant to which force, including deadly force, can be used; provided, 12 13 however, nothing herein shall preclude an arbitration decision regarding equipment levels if such decision is based on a 14 15 finding that the equipment considerations in a specific work 16 assignment involve a serious risk to the safety of a fire fighter beyond that which is inherent in the normal performance 17 of fire fighter duties. Limitation of the terms of the 18 19 arbitration decision pursuant to this subsection shall not be 20 construed to limit the facts upon which the decision may be 21 based, as set forth in subsection (h).

The changes to this subsection (i) made by Public Act 90-385 (relating to residency requirements) do not apply to persons who are employed by a combined department that performs both police and firefighting services; these persons shall be governed by the provisions of this subsection (i) relating to peace officers, as they existed before the amendment by Public
Act 90-385.

To preserve historical bargaining rights, this subsection shall not apply to any provision of a fire fighter collective bargaining agreement in effect and applicable on the effective date of this Act; provided, however, nothing herein shall preclude arbitration with respect to any such provision.

8 (j) Arbitration procedures shall be deemed to be initiated 9 by the filing of a letter requesting mediation as required 10 under subsection (a) of this Section. The commencement of a new 11 municipal fiscal year after the initiation of arbitration procedures under this Act, but before the arbitration decision, 12 or its enforcement, shall not be deemed to render a dispute 13 14 moot, or to otherwise impair the jurisdiction or authority of 15 the arbitration panel or its decision. Increases in rates of 16 compensation awarded by the arbitration panel may be effective only at the start of the fiscal year next commencing after the 17 date of the arbitration award. If a new fiscal year has 18 19 commenced either since the initiation of arbitration 20 procedures under this Act or since any mutually agreed 21 extension of the statutorily required period of mediation under 22 this Act by the parties to the labor dispute causing a delay in 23 the initiation of arbitration, the foregoing limitations shall 24 be inapplicable, and such awarded increases may be retroactive 25 to the commencement of the fiscal year, any other statute or 26 charter provisions to the contrary, notwithstanding. At any 1 time the parties, by stipulation, may amend or modify an award 2 of arbitration.

(k) Orders of the arbitration panel shall be reviewable, 3 4 upon appropriate petition by either the public employer or the 5 exclusive bargaining representative, by the circuit court for the county in which the dispute arose or in which a majority of 6 the affected employees reside, but only for reasons that the 7 8 arbitration panel was without or exceeded its statutory 9 authority; the order is arbitrary, or capricious; or the order 10 was procured by fraud, collusion or other similar and unlawful 11 means. Such petitions for review must be filed with the appropriate circuit court within 90 days following the issuance 12 of the arbitration order. The pendency of such proceeding for 13 14 review shall not automatically stay the order of the 15 arbitration panel. The party against whom the final decision of 16 any such court shall be adverse, if such court finds such appeal or petition to be frivolous, shall pay reasonable 17 attorneys' fees and costs to the successful party as determined 18 19 by said court in its discretion. If said court's decision 20 affirms the award of money, such award, if retroactive, shall 21 bear interest at the rate of 12 percent per annum from the effective retroactive date. 22

(1) During the pendency of proceedings before the arbitration panel, existing wages, hours, and other conditions of employment shall not be changed by action of either party without the consent of the other but a party may so consent without prejudice to his rights or position under this Act. The proceedings are deemed to be pending before the arbitration panel upon the initiation of arbitration procedures under this Act.

5 (m) Security officers of public employers, and Peace 6 Officers, Fire Fighters and fire department and fire protection 7 district paramedics, covered by this Section may not withhold 8 services, nor may public employers lock out or prevent such 9 employees from performing services at any time.

10 (n) All of the terms decided upon by the arbitration panel 11 shall be included in an agreement to be submitted to the public 12 employer's governing body for ratification and adoption by law, 13 ordinance or the equivalent appropriate means.

14 The governing body shall review each term decided by the 15 arbitration panel. If the governing body fails to reject one or 16 more terms of the arbitration panel's decision by a 3/5 vote of those duly elected and qualified members of the governing body, 17 within 20 days of issuance, or in the case of firefighters 18 19 employed by a state university, at the next regularly scheduled 20 meeting of the governing body after issuance, such term or terms shall become a part of the collective bargaining 21 22 agreement of the parties. If the governing body affirmatively 23 rejects one or more terms of the arbitration panel's decision, 24 it must provide reasons for such rejection with respect to each 25 term so rejected, within 20 days of such rejection and the 26 parties shall return to the arbitration panel for further

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1 proceedings and issuance of a supplemental decision with 2 respect to the rejected terms. Any supplemental decision by an 3 arbitration panel or other decision maker agreed to by the 4 parties shall be submitted to the governing body for 5 ratification and adoption in accordance with the procedures and 6 voting requirements set forth in this Section. The voting requirements of this subsection shall apply to all disputes 7 8 submitted to arbitration pursuant to this Section 9 notwithstanding any contrary voting requirements contained in 10 any existing collective bargaining agreement between the 11 parties.

(o) If the governing body of the employer votes to reject 12 13 the panel's decision, the parties shall return to the panel within 30 days from the issuance of the reasons for rejection 14 15 for further proceedings and issuance of a supplemental 16 decision. All reasonable costs of such supplemental proceeding including the exclusive representative's reasonable attorney's 17 18 fees, as established by the Board, shall be paid by the 19 employer.

20 (p) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section the 21 employer and exclusive representative may agree to submit 22 unresolved disputes concerning wages, hours, terms and 23 conditions of employment to an alternative form of impasse 24 resolution.

25 (Source: P.A. 98-535, eff. 1-1-14.)

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