99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SB2437

Introduced 2/9/2016, by Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

40 ILCS 5/17-132

from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-132

Amends the Chicago Teacher Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that, in addition to certain listed items, reported payroll data must include any and all other data necessary for the Fund to calculate pension benefits. Provides that any necessary amendments or corrections to certified data provided by the employer must be made within one year after the certified data is received by the Fund. Effective immediately.

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PENSION IMPACT NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

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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 17-132 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/17-132) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 17-132)
7 Sec. 17-132. Payments and certification of salary

8 deductions.

9 (a) An Employer shall cause the Fund to receive all 10 members' payroll records and pension contributions within 30 11 calendar days after each predesignated payday. For purposes of 12 this Section, the predesignated payday shall be determined in 13 accordance with each Employer's payroll schedule for 14 contributions to the Fund.

(b) An Employer that fails to timely certify and submit payroll records to the Fund is subject to a statutory penalty in the amount of \$100 per day for each day that a required certification and submission is late.

Amounts not received by the 30th calendar day after the predesignated payday shall be deemed delinquent and subject to a penalty consisting of interest, which shall accrue on a monthly basis at the Fund's then effective actuarial rate of return, and liquidated damages in the amount of \$100 per day, not to exceed 20% of the principal contributions due, which shall be mandatory except for good cause shown and in the discretion of the Board.

An Employer in possession of member contributions deducted from payroll checks is holding Fund assets, and thus becomes a fiduciary over those assets.

7 (c) The payroll records shall report (1) all pensionable 8 salary earned in that pay period, exclusive of salaries for 9 overtime, special services, or any employment on an optional 10 basis, such as in summer school; (2) adjustments to pensionable 11 salary, exclusive of salaries for overtime, special services, 12 or any employment on an optional basis, such as in summer 13 school, made in a pay period for any prior pay periods; (3) 14 pension contributions attributable to pensionable salary 15 earned in the reported pay period or the adjusted pay period as 16 required by subsection (b) of Section 17-131; and (4) any 17 salary paid by an Employer if that salary is compensation for validated service and is exclusive of salary for overtime, 18 19 special services, or any employment on an optional basis, such 20 as in summer school; and (5) any and all other data necessary for the Fund to calculate pension benefits. Payroll records 21 22 required by item (4) of this paragraph shall identify the 23 number of days of service rendered by the member and whether each day of service represents a partial or whole day of 24 25 service.

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provided by the employer must be made within one year after the certified data is received by the Fund.

3 (d) The appropriate officers of the Employer shall certify 4 and submit the payroll records no later than 30 calendar days 5 after each predesignated payday. The certification shall 6 constitute a confirmation of the accuracy of such deductions 7 according to the provisions of this Article.

8 Each Charter School shall designate an administrator as a 9 "Pension Officer". The Pension Officer shall be responsible for 10 certifying all payroll information, including contributions 11 due and certified sick days payable pursuant to Section 17-134, 12 and assuring resolution of reported payroll and contribution 13 deficiencies.

(e) The Board has the authority to conduct payroll audits 14 of a charter school to determine the existence of any 15 16 delinquencies in contributions to the Fund, and such charter 17 school shall be required to provide such books and records and contribution information as the Board or its authorized 18 19 representative may require. The Board is also authorized to 20 collect delinquent contributions from charter schools and develop procedures for the collection of such delinquencies. 21 22 Collection procedures may include legal proceedings in the 23 courts of the State of Illinois. Expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred in the collection of delinquent 24 25 contributions may be assessed by the Board against the charter 26 school.

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1 (Source: P.A. 98-427, eff. 8-16-13; 99-176, eff. 7-29-15.)

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