THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1359 Session of 2005

INTRODUCED BY W. KELLER, BASTIAN, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, BUXTON, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CAWLEY, CRUZ, DENLINGER, DeWEESE, FICHTER, GEORGE, GILLESPIE, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HERSHEY, LEDERER, McILHATTAN, PHILLIPS, PISTELLA, READSHAW, SATHER, SCAVELLO, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK AND WALKO, APRIL 13, 2005

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, APRIL 13, 2005

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for termination of
- 3 annuities.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 5706(a.1) of Title 71 of the Pennsylvania
- 7 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
- 8 § 5706. Termination of annuities.
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- 10 (a.1) Return to State service during emergency[.--] and
- 11 <u>other circumstances.--</u>
- 12 (1) When, in the judgment of the employer, an emergency
- 13 creates an increase in the work load such that there is
- 14 serious impairment of service to the public, an annuitant may
- be returned to State service for a period not to exceed 95
- 16 days in any calendar year without loss of his annuity. In
- 17 computing the number of days an annuitant has returned to

- 1 State service, any amount of time less than one-half of a day
- 2 shall be counted as one-half of a day. For agencies, boards
- and commissions under the Governor's jurisdiction, the
- 4 approval of the Governor that an emergency exists shall be
- 5 required before an annuitant may be returned to State
- 6 service.
- 7 (2) When, in the judgment of the Secretary of General
- 8 <u>Services, there is a significant decrease of available</u>
- 9 <u>officers or members of the Capitol Police due to vacation or</u>
- 10 holiday leave being taken or there is a period of heightened
- 11 <u>security for Commonwealth buildings requiring a temporary</u>
- increase in the number of available officers or members of
- the Capitol Police for such period, an annuitant who retired
- as an officer or member of the Capitol Police may be returned
- to State service as an officer or member of the Capitol
- Police for a period not to exceed 95 days in any calendar
- 17 year without loss of his annuity. In computing the number of
- 18 days an annuitant has returned to State service, any amount
- of time less than one-half of a day shall be counted as one-
- 20 half of a day.
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- 22 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.