THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, FEBRUARY 8, 1993

AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for cost-of-living
- 3 increases to annuitants.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Title 71 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
- 7 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:
- 8 § 5708.3. Supplemental annuity based on years of service and
- 9 <u>retirement.</u>
- 10 (a) Benefits. -- Commencing with the first monthly annuity
- 11 payment after January 1, 1994, any eliqible benefit recipient
- 12 shall be entitled to receive a further additional monthly
- 13 supplemental annuity from the system. This shall be in addition
- 14 to the supplemental annuities provided for in sections 5708
- 15 (relating to supplemental annuities), 5708.1 (relating to
- 16 additional supplemental annuities) and 5708.2 (relating to

- 1 <u>further additional supplemental annuities</u>).
- 2 (b) Amount of additional supplemental annuity. -- The amount
- 3 of the additional monthly supplemental annuity shall be the
- 4 total of the following:
- 5 (1) Two dollars multiplied by the number of years of
- 6 <u>credited service</u>.
- 7 (2) One dollar multiplied by the number of years on
- 8 <u>retirement.</u>
- 9 (c) Payment. -- The additional monthly supplemental annuity
- 10 provided for in this section shall be paid automatically unless
- 11 the intended recipient files a written notice with the system
- 12 requesting that the additional monthly supplemental annuity not
- 13 <u>be paid.</u>
- (d) Conditions. -- The additional supplemental annuity
- 15 provided for in this section shall be payable under the same
- 16 terms and conditions as provided under the option plan in effect
- 17 as of December 31, 1993.
- 18 (e) Benefits paid to beneficiaries or survivors.--No
- 19 supplemental annuity effective after the death of the member
- 20 shall be payable to the beneficiary or survivor annuitant of the
- 21 deceased member.
- 22 (f) Funding.--The actuary shall annually estimate the amount
- 23 of Commonwealth appropriations for the next fiscal year needed
- 24 to fund, over a period of 20 years from July 1, 1992, the
- 25 <u>additional monthly supplemental annuity provided for in this</u>
- 26 section. The board shall submit the actuary's estimation to the
- 27 Secretary of the Budget on or before November 1 of each year.
- 28 If, in any year after 1993, the amount estimated is disapproved
- 29 <u>under section 610 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175)</u>,
- 30 known as The Administrative Code of 1929, as insufficient to

- 1 meet the funding requirements of this subsection or is not
- 2 appropriated on or before July 1, the additional supplemental
- 3 annuity provided for in this section shall be suspended until
- 4 such time as an amount certified and approved as sufficient is
- 5 appropriated.
- 6 (q) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following
- 7 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this
- 8 <u>subsection:</u>
- 9 <u>"Eligible benefit recipient." A person who is receiving a</u>
- 10 superannuation, withdrawal or disability annuity and who
- 11 commenced receipt of that annuity on or prior to July 1, 1992,
- 12 but the supplemental annuities shall not be payable to an
- 13 <u>annuitant receiving a withdrawal annuity prior to the first day</u>
- 14 of July coincident with or following the annuitant's attainment
- 15 <u>of superannuation age.</u>
- 16 "Years of credited service." The number of full years of
- 17 service as a member to the credit of each benefit recipient,
- 18 which years of service need not have been continuous.
- 19 "Years on retirement." The number of full years as of July
- 20 1, 1993, which have elapsed since the eliqible benefit recipient
- 21 commenced the receipt of an annuity and during which the
- 22 eligible benefit recipient received an annuity.
- 23 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.