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JUNE 17, 2011

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, JUNE 17, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for eligibility for  
3 early retirement benefits.

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 § 5308.3. Eligibility for special early retirement.

9 (a) Eligibility.--

10 (1) Notwithstanding any provisions of this title to the  
11 contrary, this section shall apply to a member who, during  
12 the period of time after February 28, 2011, and before June  
13 2, 2011:

14 (i) has attained either 30 eligibility points or a  
15 combination of age and eligibility points that totals 80;

16 (ii) has terminated State service; and

17 (iii) files an application for an annuity with an

1 effective date of retirement not later than July 1, 2011.

2 (2) A member under paragraph (1) shall be entitled to  
3 receive a maximum single life annuity calculated pursuant to  
4 section 5702 (relating to maximum single life annuity)  
5 without any reduction by virtue of an effective date of  
6 retirement which is under the superannuation age and shall be  
7 entitled to insurance coverage under a contract of insurance  
8 affecting the member that is in effect on the effective date  
9 of retirement of the member.

10 (b) Net savings cost.--

11 (1) Each calendar quarter, the secretary shall do all of  
12 the following:

13 (i) Reduce the allocation for each Commonwealth  
14 agency for the ensuing calendar quarter by an amount  
15 equal to 60% of the net savings cost for that agency.

16 (ii) Transfer the amount reduced under subparagraph  
17 (i) to the fund.

18 (2) This subsection shall expire June 30, 2012.

19 (c) Definitions.--As used in this section, the following  
20 words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this  
21 subsection:

22 "Net savings cost." The greater of paragraph (1) or (2):

23 (1) The difference between:

24 (i) 25% of the total of the final salaries for  
25 members who retire from a Commonwealth agency under this  
26 section; and

27 (ii) the total salaries of all new hires in the six-  
28 month period before, and the six-month period after, July  
29 1, 2009.

30 (2) Twenty percent of the total of the entry level

1     salaries to replace retired members in that Commonwealth  
2     agency.  
3     "Secretary." The Secretary of the Budget.  
4     Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.