
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS, JULY 26, 2011

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), entitled,
2 as amended, "An act relating to counties of the second class
3 and second class A; amending, revising, consolidating and
4 changing the laws relating thereto," in employees' retirement
5 system, defining "county detective" and further providing for
6 county employee retirement allowances.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 1701 of the act of July 28, 1953
10 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the Second Class County Code, is
11 amended by adding a definition to read:

12 Section 1701. Definitions.--The following words and phrases
13 as used in this article shall be construed to have the following
14 meaning:

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16 "County detective," a detective that is employed by a
17 district attorney's office.

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19 Section 2. Section 1710(b) of the act, amended June 18, 1998
20 (P.L.693, No.89), is amended to read:

1 Section 1710. Employees Eligible for Retirement Allowances.--

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3 (b) Every present or future county employe, other than a
4 member of the police force or the fire department or a fire
5 inspector [or a] sheriff [or] deputy sheriff or county
6 detective, who has reached the age of sixty years or upwards and
7 who has to his or her credit a period of service of twenty years
8 or more, and every county employe who is a member of the police
9 force or the fire department or is a fire inspector or a county
10 detective, and who shall have been a county employe during a
11 period of twenty or more years and has reached the age of fifty
12 years or upwards shall, upon application to the board, be
13 eligible for retirement from service, and shall thereafter
14 receive, during life, except as hereinafter provided, a
15 retirement allowance plus a service increment if any, in
16 accordance with the provisions of section 1712. Every county
17 officer or employe who is a sheriff, deputy sheriff, prison
18 guard or probation officer who shall have been a county officer
19 or employe during a period of twenty or more years and has
20 reached the age of fifty-five years or upward, shall, upon
21 application to the board, be eligible for retirement from
22 service and shall thereafter receive, during life, except as
23 hereafter provided, a retirement allowance in accordance with
24 section 1712. The time spent in the employ of the county or
25 county institution district need not necessarily have been
26 continuous: Provided, That when any county employe has twenty or
27 more years service, not necessarily continuous, and has not
28 reached the age of sixty years or upwards, and shall be
29 separated from the service of the county or county institution
30 district by reason of no cause or act of his or her own, upon

1 application to the board he or she shall thereafter receive,
2 during life, except as hereinafter provided, a retirement
3 allowance plus a service increment if any, in accordance with
4 the provisions of section 1713. The aforesaid retirement
5 allowance plus a service increment if any, shall be subject to a
6 suspension thereof in accordance with the provisions of
7 subsection (h) of this section 1710 and subsection (c) of
8 section 1712.

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10 Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.