A bill for an act 1.1 relating to retirement; Minnesota State Retirement System; Public Employees 1.2 Retirement Association; Teachers Retirement Association; first class city 1.3 teacher retirement fund associations; increasing certain contribution rates; 1.4 authorizing certain postretirement adjustments; suspending certain postretirement 1.5 adjustments; reducing certain postretirement adjustment increase rates; 1.6 reducing interest rates on refunds; reducing deferred annuity augmentation 1.7 rates; eliminating interest on reemployed annuitant earnings limitation deferred 1.8 accounts; increasing certain vesting requirements; increasing certain early 19 retirement reduction rates; reducing certain benefit accrual rates; extending 1.10 certain amortization periods; requiring a retirement fund investment authority 1.11 study; authorizing certain bylaw amendments; amending Minnesota Statutes 1.12 2008, sections 3A.02, subdivision 4; 352.113, subdivision 1; 352.115, subdivision 1.13 1; 352.12, subdivision 2; 352.22, subdivisions 2, 3; 352.72, subdivisions 1, 2; 1.14 352.93, subdivisions 1, 2a, 3a; 352.931, subdivision 1; 352B.02, as amended; 1.15 352B.08, subdivisions 1, 2a; 352B.11, subdivision 2b; 352B.30, subdivisions 1, 1 16 2; 352F.07; 353.01, by adding a subdivision; 353.27, subdivision 3b; 353.29, 1.17 subdivision 1; 353.30, subdivision 1c; 353.32, subdivisions 1, 1a; 353.34, 1.18 subdivisions 1, 2, 3; 353.651, subdivisions 1, 4; 353.657, subdivisions 1, 2a; 1.19 353.71, subdivisions 1, 2; 353E.04, subdivisions 1, 4; 353E.07, subdivisions 1, 2; 1.20 353F.03; 354.42, subdivision 3, by adding subdivisions; 354A.12, subdivisions 1.21 1, 3c; 354A.27, subdivisions 5, 6, by adding a subdivision; 354A.31, subdivision 1.22 1; 354A.35, subdivision 1; 354A.37, subdivisions 2, 3, 4; 356.215, subdivision 1 23 8; 356.30, subdivision 1; 356.302, subdivisions 3, 4, 5; 356.303, subdivision 1.24 2; 356.315, subdivision 5; 356.47, subdivision 3; Minnesota Statutes 2009 1.25 Supplement, sections 352.75, subdivision 4; 352.95, subdivision 2; 353.27, 1.26 subdivisions 2, 3; 353.33, subdivision 1; 353.65, subdivisions 2, 3; 354.42, 1.27 subdivision 2; 354.47, subdivision 1; 354.49, subdivision 2; 354.55, subdivision 1.28 11; 354A.12, subdivision 2a; 356.215, subdivision 11; 356.415, subdivision 1, 1.29 by adding subdivisions; 423A.02, subdivision 3; repealing Minnesota Statutes 1 30 2008, section 354A.27, subdivision 1. 1.31

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 3A.02, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Deferred annuities augmentation.** (a) The deferred retirement allowance of any former legislator must be augmented as provided herein.

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(b) The required reserves applicable to the deferred retirement allowance, 2.1 determined as of the date the benefit begins to accrue using an appropriate mortality table 2.2 and an interest assumption of six percent, must be augmented from the first of the month 2.3 following the termination of active service, or July 1, 1973, whichever is later, to the first 2.4 day of the month in which the allowance begins to accrue, at the following annually 2.5 compounded rate or rates: 2.6 (1) five percent until January 1, 1981; 2.7 (2) three percent from January 1, 1981, or from the first day of the month following 2.8 the termination of active service, whichever is later, until January 1 of the year in which 2.9 the former legislator attains age 55 or until January 1, 2012, whichever is earlier; and 2.10 (3) five percent from the period end date under clause (2) to until the effective date 2.11 of retirement or until January 1, 2012, whichever is earlier; and 2.12 (4) two percent after December 31, 2011. 2.13 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. 2.14 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.113, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 2.15 Subdivision 1. Age and service requirements. (a) An employee covered by the 2.16 system, who is less than normal retirement age and who becomes totally and permanently 2.17 disabled after three or more years of allowable service if employed before July 1, 2010, or 2.18 after five or more years of allowable service if employed after June 30, 2010, is entitled to 2.19 a disability benefit in an amount provided in subdivision 3. 2.20 (b) If the disabled employee's state service has terminated at any time, the employee 2.21 must have at least two years of allowable service after last becoming a state employee 2.22 covered by the system. 2.23 (c) Refunds may be repaid under section 352.23 before the effective accrual date of 2.24 the disability benefit under subdivision 2. 2.25 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. 2.26 Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.115, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 2.27 Subdivision 1. Age and service requirements. After separation from state service, 2.28 any employee (1) who has attained the age of at least 55 years and who is entitled to 2.29 credit for at least three years allowable service if employed before July 1, 2010, or after 2.30 five or more years of allowable service if employed after June 30, 2010, or (2) who has 2.31

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Sec. 4. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.12, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Surviving spouse benefit.** (a) If an employee or former employee has credit for at least three years allowable service <u>if the employee was employed before July 1, 2010</u>, or for at least five years of allowable service if the employee was employed <u>after June 30, 2010</u>, and dies before an annuity or disability benefit has become payable, notwithstanding any designation of beneficiary to the contrary, the surviving spouse of the employee may elect to receive, in lieu of the refund with interest under subdivision 1, an annuity equal to the joint and 100 percent survivor annuity which the employee or former employee could have qualified for on the date of death.

- (b) If the employee was under age 55 and has credit for at least 30 years of allowable service on the date of death, the surviving spouse may elect to receive a 100 percent joint and survivor annuity based on the age of the employee and surviving spouse on the date of death. The annuity is payable using the full early retirement reduction under section 352.116, subdivision 1, paragraph (a), to age 55 and one-half of the early retirement reduction from age 55 to the age payment begins.
- (c) If the employee was under age 55 and has credit for at least three years of allowable service credit on the date of death if the employee was employed before July 1, 2010, or for at least five years of allowable service if the employee was employed after June 30, 2010, but did not yet qualify for retirement, the surviving spouse may elect to receive a 100 percent joint and survivor annuity based on the age of the employee and surviving spouse at the time of death. The annuity is payable using the full early retirement reduction under section 352.116, subdivision 1 or 1a, to age 55 and one-half of the early retirement reduction from age 55 to the age payment begins.
- (d) The surviving spouse eligible for benefits under paragraph (a) may apply for the annuity at any time after the date on which the employee or former employee would have attained the required age for retirement based on the allowable service earned. The surviving spouse eligible for surviving spouse benefits under paragraph (b) or (c) may apply for the annuity at any time after the employee's death. The annuity must be computed under sections 352.115, subdivisions 1, 2, and 3, and 352.116, subdivisions 1, 1a, and 3. Sections 352.22, subdivision 3, and 352.72, subdivision 2, apply to a deferred annuity or surviving spouse benefit payable under this subdivision. The annuity must cease with the last payment received by the surviving spouse in the lifetime of the surviving spouse, or upon expiration of a term certain benefit payment to a surviving spouse under subdivision 2a. An amount equal to the excess, if any, of the accumulated contributions

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(e) Any employee or former employee may request in writing, with the signed consent of the spouse, that this subdivision not apply and that payment be made only to a designated beneficiary as otherwise provided by this chapter.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 5. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.22, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Amount of refund.** Except as provided in subdivision 3, the refund payable to a person who ceased to be a state employee by reason of a termination of state service is an amount equal to employee accumulated contributions plus interest at the rate of six percent per year compounded daily from the date that the contribution was made until June 30, 2011, or until the date on which the refund is paid, whichever is earlier, and at the rate of four percent per year compounded daily from the date that the contribution was made or from July 1, 2011, whichever is later, until the date on which the refund is paid. Included with the refund is any interest paid as part of repayment of a past refund, plus interest thereon from the date of repayment.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- Sec. 6. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.22, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **Deferred annuity.** (a) An employee who has at least three years of allowable service <u>if employed before July 1, 2010</u>, or who has at least five years of <u>allowable service if employed after June 30, 2010</u>, when termination occurs may elect to leave the accumulated contributions in the fund and thereby be entitled to a deferred retirement annuity. The annuity must be computed under the law in effect when state service terminated, on the basis of the allowable service credited to the person before the termination of service.
- (b) An employee on layoff or on leave of absence without pay, except a leave of absence for health reasons, and who does not return to state service must have an annuity, deferred annuity, or other benefit to which the employee may become entitled computed under the law in effect on the employee's last working day.
- (c) No application for a deferred annuity may be made more than 60 days before the time the former employee reaches the required age for entitlement to the payment of the annuity. The deferred annuity begins to accrue no earlier than 60 days before the date

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the application is filed in the office of the system, but not (1) before the date on which the employee reaches the required age for entitlement to the annuity nor (2) before the day following the termination of state service in a position which is not covered by the retirement system.

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(d) Application for the accumulated contributions left on deposit with the fund may be made at any time following the date of the termination of service.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- Sec. 7. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.72, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Entitlement to annuity.** (a) Any person who has been an employee covered by a retirement system listed in paragraph (b) is entitled when qualified to an annuity from each fund if total allowable service in all funds or in any two of these funds totals three or more years if employed before July 1, 2010, or totals five or more years if employed after June 30, 2010.
- (b) This section applies to the Minnesota State Retirement System, the Public Employees Retirement Association including the Public Employees Retirement Association police and fire fund, the Teachers Retirement Association, the State Patrol Retirement Association, or any other public employee retirement system in the state with a similar provision, except as noted in paragraph (c).
- (c) This section does not apply to other funds providing benefits for police officers or firefighters.
- (d) No portion of the allowable service upon which the retirement annuity from one fund is based shall be again used in the computation for benefits from another fund. No refund may have been taken from any one of these funds since service entitling the employee to coverage under the system or the employee's membership in any of the associations last terminated. The annuity from each fund must be determined by the appropriate provisions of the law except that the requirement that a person must have at least three a specific number of years of allowable service in the respective system or association does not apply for the purposes of this section if the combined service in two or more of these funds equals three or more years at least the longest period of allowable service of any of the applicable retirement plans.

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Sec. 8. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.72, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

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Subd. 2. Computation of deferred annuity. (a) The deferred annuity, if any, accruing under subdivision 1, or section 352.22, subdivision 3, must be computed as provided in section 352.22, subdivision 3, on the basis of allowable service before termination of state service and augmented as provided herein. The required reserves applicable to a deferred annuity or to an annuity for which a former employee was eligible but had not applied or to any deferred segment of an annuity must be determined as of the date the benefit begins to accrue and augmented by interest compounded annually from the first day of the month following the month in which the employee ceased to be a state employee, or July 1, 1971, whichever is later, to the first day of the month in which the annuity begins to accrue. The rates of interest used for this purpose must be five percent compounded annually until January 1, 1981, and three percent compounded annually thereafter until January 1 of the year following the year in which the former employee attains age 55 or until January 1, 2012, whichever is earlier, and from that date the January 1 next following the attainment of age 55 to the effective date of retirement or until January 1, 2012, whichever is earlier, the rate is five percent compounded annually if the employee became an employee before July 1, 2006, and at 2.5 percent compounded annually until January 1, 2012, if the employee becomes an employee after June 30, 2006, and two percent compounded annually after December 31, 2011, irrespective of when the employee became a state employee. If a person has more than one period of uninterrupted service, the required reserves related to each period must be augmented by interest under this subdivision. The sum of the augmented required reserves so determined is the present value of the annuity. "Uninterrupted service" for the purpose of this subdivision means periods of covered employment during which the employee has not been separated from state service for more than two years. If a person repays a refund, the service restored by the repayment must be considered continuous with the next period of service for which the employee has credit with this system. The formula percentages used for each period of uninterrupted service must be those applicable to a new employee. The mortality table and interest assumption used to compute the annuity must be those in effect when the employee files application for annuity. This section does not reduce the annuity otherwise payable under this chapter.

(b) The retirement annuity or disability benefit of, or the survivor benefit payable on behalf of, a former state employee who terminated service before July 1, 1997, which is not first payable until after June 30, 1997, must be increased on an actuarial equivalent basis to reflect the change in the postretirement interest rate actuarial assumption under section 356.215, subdivision 8, from five percent to six percent under a calculation

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Sec. 9. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 352.75, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Existing deferred retirees.** Any former member of the former Metropolitan Transit Commission-Transit Operating Division employees retirement fund is entitled to a retirement annuity from the Minnesota State Retirement System if the employee:

(1) is not an active employee of the Transit Operating Division of the former Metropolitan Transit Commission on July 1, 1978; (2) has at least ten years of active continuous service with the Transit Operating Division of the former Metropolitan Transit Commission as defined by the former Metropolitan Transit Commission-Transit Operating Division employees retirement plan document in effect on December 31, 1977; (3) has not received a refund of contributions; (4) has not retired or begun receiving an annuity or benefit from the former Metropolitan Transit Commission-Transit Operating Division employees retirement fund; (5) is at least 55 years old; and (6) submits a valid application for a retirement annuity to the executive director of the Minnesota State Retirement System.

The person is entitled to a retirement annuity in an amount equal to the normal old age retirement allowance calculated under the former Metropolitan Transit Commission-Transit Operating Division employees retirement fund plan document in effect on December 31, 1977, subject to an early retirement reduction or adjustment in amount on account of retirement before the normal retirement age specified in that former Metropolitan Transit Commission-Transit Operating Division employees retirement fund plan document.

The deferred retirement annuity of any person to whom this subdivision applies must be augmented. The required reserves applicable to the deferred retirement annuity, determined as of the date the allowance begins to accrue using an appropriate mortality table and an interest assumption of five percent, must be augmented by interest at the rate of five percent per year compounded annually from January 1, 1978, to January 1, 1981, and three percent per year compounded annually from January 1, 1981, until the date that the annuity begins to accrue or June 30, 2011, whichever is earlier, and two percent after June 30, 2011, to the first day of the month in which the annuity begins to accrue. After the commencement of the retirement annuity, the annuity is eligible for

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postretirement adjustments under section 356.415. On applying for a retirement annuity under this subdivision, the person is entitled to elect a joint and survivor optional annuity under section 352.116, subdivision 3.

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Sec. 10. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.93, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Basis of annuity; when to apply.** After separation from state service, an employee covered under section 352.91 who has reached age 55 years and has credit for at least three years of covered correctional service or a combination of covered correctional service and general state employees state retirement plan allowable service if first employed as a state employee before July 1, 2010, or has credit for at least ten years of covered correctional service or a combination of covered correctional service and general state employees retirement plan allowable service if first employed as a state employee after June 30, 2010, is entitled upon application to a retirement annuity under this section, based only on covered correctional employees' service. Application may be made no earlier than 60 days before the date the employee is eligible to retire by reason of both age and service requirements.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 11. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.93, subdivision 2a, is amended to read: Subd. 2a. **Early retirement.** Any covered correctional employee who becomes at least 50 years old and who has at least three years of allowable service if first employed as a correctional state employee before July 1, 2010, or has credit for at least ten years of allowable service if first employed as a correctional state employee after June 30, 2010, is entitled upon application to a reduced retirement annuity equal to the annuity calculated under subdivision 2, reduced by two-tenths of one percent for each month that the correctional employee is under age 55 at the time of retirement if first employed as a correctional state employee before July 1, 2010, and if retired before July 1, 2015, or reduced by 0.417 percent for each month that the correctional employee is under age 55 at the time of retirement if first employed as a correctional state employee after June 30, 2010, or if first employed as a correctional state employee after June 30, 2010, or if first employed as a correctional state employee before July 1, 2010, and if retired after June 30, 2015.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 12. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.93, subdivision 3a, is amended to read:

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Subd. 3a. **Optional annuities.** The board may establish optional annuity forms to pay a higher amount from the date of retirement until an employee is first eligible to draw Social Security benefits, reaches age 65, or up to reaches the age the employee is eligible to receive unreduced Social Security benefits, at which time the monthly benefits must be reduced. The optional annuity forms must be actuarially equivalent to the normal single life annuity form provided in subdivision 2. The optional annuity forms must be approved certified as actuarially equivalent by the actuary retained under section 356.214.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 13. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352.931, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Surviving spouse benefit.** (a) If the correctional employee was at least age 50, has credit for at least three years of allowable service if first employed as a correctional state employee before July 1, 2010, or has credit for at least ten years of allowable service if first employed as a correctional state employee after June 30, 2010, and dies before an annuity or disability benefit has become payable, notwithstanding any designation of beneficiary to the contrary, the surviving spouse of the employee may elect to receive, in lieu of the refund under section 352.12, subdivision 1, an annuity for life equal to the joint and 100 percent survivor annuity which the employee could have qualified for had the employee terminated service on the date of death. The election may be made at any time after the date of death of the employee. The surviving spouse benefit begins to accrue as of the first of the month next following the date on which the application for the benefit was filed.

- (b) If the employee was under age 50, dies, and had credit for at least three years of allowable service eredit on the date of death if first employed as a correctional state employee before July 1, 2010, or had credit for at least ten years of allowable service on the date of death if first employed as a correctional state employee after June 30, 2010, but did not yet qualify for retirement, the surviving spouse may elect to receive a 100 percent joint and survivor annuity based on the age of the employee and surviving spouse at the time of death. The annuity is payable using the early retirement reduction under section 352.93, subdivision 2a, to age 50, and one-half of the early retirement reduction from age 50 to the age payment begins. The surviving spouse eligible for surviving spouse benefits under this paragraph may apply for the annuity at any time after the employee's death. Sections 352.22, subdivision 3, and 352.72, subdivision 2, apply to a deferred annuity or surviving spouse benefit payable under this subdivision.
- (c) The annuity must cease with the last payment received by the surviving spouse in the lifetime of the surviving spouse. Any employee may request in writing, with the

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Sec. 14. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 352.95, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. **Regular disability; computation of benefit.** A covered correctional employee who was hired before July 1, 2009, after rendering at least one year of covered correctional service, or a covered correctional employee who was first hired after June 30, 2009, after rendering at least three years of covered correctional plan service if first employed as a correctional state employee before July 1, 2010, or after rendering at least ten years of covered correctional plan service if first employed as a correctional state employee after June 30, 2010, and who is determined to have a regular disability, physical or psychological, as defined under section 352.01, subdivision 17c, is entitled to a regular disability benefit. The regular disability benefit must be based on covered correctional service only. The regular disability benefit must be computed as provided in section 352.93, subdivisions 1 and 2. The regular disability benefit of a covered correctional employee who was first hired before July 1, 2009, and who is determined to have a regular disability, physical or psychological, under this subdivision must be computed as though the employee had at least 15 years of covered correctional service.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 15. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352B.02, as amended by Laws 2009, chapter 10.22 101, article 2, section 109; and Laws 2009, chapter 169, article 1, section 23; article 2, section 16; and article 4, sections 3 and 4, is amended to read:

352B.02 STATE PATROL RETIREMENT FUND.

Subdivision 1. **Fund created; membership.** A State Patrol retirement fund is established. Its membership consists of all persons defined in section 352B.011, subdivision 10.

Subd. 1a. **Member contributions.** (a) The member contribution is 10.40 percent the following percentage of the member's salary:

10.30 (1) before the first day of the first pay
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(b) These contributions must be made by deduction from salary as provided in 11.1 section 352.04, subdivision 4. 11.2 Subd. 1b. Salary deductions. Member contribution amounts must be deducted each 11.3 pay period by the department head, who shall have the total amount of the deductions paid 11.4 to the commissioner of management and budget for deposit in the State Patrol retirement 11.5 fund, and have a detailed report of all deductions made each pay period to the executive 11.6 director of the Minnesota State Retirement System. 11.7 Subd. 1c. Employer contributions. (a) In addition to member contributions, 11.8 department heads shall pay a sum equal to 15.60 percent the specified percentage of the 11.9 salary upon which deductions were made, which constitutes the employer contribution 11.10 to the fund. as follows: 11.11 (1) before the first day of the first pay 11 12 period beginning after July 1, 2011 15.60 percent 11.13 (2) on or after the first day of the first 11.14 pay period beginning after July 1, 2011 18.60 percent 11.15 (b) Department contributions must be paid out of money appropriated to departments 11.16 for this purpose. 11.17 Subd. 1d. **Fund revenue and expenses.** The amounts provided for in this section 11.18 must be credited to the State Patrol retirement fund. All money received must be deposited 11.19 11.20 by the commissioner of management and budget in the State Patrol retirement fund. The fund must be used to pay the administrative expenses of the retirement fund, and the 11.21 benefits and annuities provided in this chapter. 11.22 Subd. 1e. Audit; regular actuarial valuation; supplemental valuations. (a) The 11.23 legislative auditor shall audit the fund. 11.24 (b) Any actuarial valuation of the fund required under section 356.215 must be 11.25 prepared by the actuary retained under section 356.214. 11.26 (c) Any approved actuary retained by the executive director under section 352.03, 11.27 11.28 subdivision 6, may perform actuarial valuations and experience studies to supplement those performed by the actuary retained under section 356.214. Any supplemental 11.29 actuarial valuation or experience studies must be filed with the executive director of the 11.30 Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement. 11.31 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. 11.32 Sec. 16. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352B.08, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 11.33

Subdivision 1. Eligibility; when to apply; accrual. (a) Every member who is

credited with three or more years of allowable service if first employed before July 1,

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2010, or with at least five years of allowable service if first employed after June 30, 2010, is entitled to separate from state service and upon becoming 50 years old, is entitled to receive a life annuity, upon separation from state service.

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- (b) Members shall <u>must</u> apply for an annuity in a form and manner prescribed by the executive director.
- (c) No application may be made more than 90 days before the date the member is eligible to retire by reason of both age and service requirements.
- (d) An annuity begins to accrue no earlier than 180 days before the date the application is filed with the executive director.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 17. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352B.08, subdivision 2a, is amended to read: Subd. 2a. **Early retirement.** Any member who has become at least 50 years old and who has at least three years of allowable service if first employed before July 1, 2010, or who has at least five years of allowable service if first employed after June 30, 2010, is entitled upon application to a reduced retirement annuity equal to the annuity calculated under subdivision 2, reduced by one-tenth of one percent for each month that the member is under age 55 at the time of retirement if first employed before July 1, 2010, or reduced by two-tenths of one percent for each month that the member is under age 55 at the time of retirement if first employed after June 30, 2010.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- Sec. 18. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352B.11, subdivision 2b, is amended to read: Subd. 2b. **Surviving spouse benefit eligibility.** (a) If an active member with three or more years of allowable service <u>if first employed before July 1, 2010</u>, or with at least five years of allowable service if first employed after June 30, 2010, dies before attaining age 55, the surviving spouse is entitled to the benefit specified in subdivision 2c, paragraph (b).
- (b) If an active member with less than three years of allowable service <u>if first</u> employed before July 1, 2010, or with fewer than five years of allowable service if first employed after June 30, 2010, dies at any age, the surviving spouse is entitled to receive the benefit specified in subdivision 2c, paragraph (c).
- (c) If an active member with three or more years of allowable service <u>if first</u> employed before July 1, 2010, or with at least five years of allowable service if first employed after June 30, 2010, dies on or after attaining exact age 55, the surviving spouse is entitled to receive the benefits specified in subdivision 2c, paragraph (d).

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- (d) If a disabilitant dies while receiving a disability benefit under section 352B.10 or before the benefit under that section commenced, and an optional annuity was not elected under section 352B.10, subdivision 5, the surviving spouse is entitled to receive the benefit specified in subdivision 2c, paragraph (b).
- (e) If a former member with three or more years of allowable service <u>if first</u> <u>employed before July 1, 2010, or with at least five years of allowable service if first</u> <u>employed after June 30, 2010,</u> who terminated from service and has not received a refund or commenced receipt of any other benefit provided by this chapter, dies, the surviving spouse is entitled to receive the benefit specified in subdivision 2c, paragraph (e).
- (f) If a former member with less than three years of allowable service <u>if first</u> employed before July 1, 2010, or with fewer than five years of allowable service if first employed after June 30, 2010, who terminated from service and has not received a refund or commenced receipt of any other benefit, if applicable, provided by this chapter, dies, the surviving spouse is entitled to receive the refund specified in subdivision 2c, paragraph (f).

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 19. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352B.30, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. Entitlement to annuity. Any person who has been an employee covered by the Minnesota State Retirement System, or a member of the Public Employees Retirement Association including the Public Employees Retirement Association Police and Fire Fund, or the Teachers Retirement Association, or the State Patrol retirement fund, or any other public employee retirement system in Minnesota having a like provision but excluding all other funds providing benefits for police or firefighters is entitled when qualified to an annuity from each fund if total allowable service in all funds or in any two of these funds totals three or more the number of years of allowable service required by the applicable retirement plan with the longest vesting period for the person. No part of the allowable service upon which the retirement annuity from one fund is based may again be used in the computation for benefits from another fund. The member must not have taken a refund from any one of these funds since service entitling the member to coverage under the system or membership in any of the associations last terminated. The annuity from each fund must be determined by the appropriate law except that the requirement that a person must have at least three a specific number of years allowable service in the respective system or association does not apply for the purposes of this section if the combined service in two or more of these funds equals three or more the number of years of allowable service required by the applicable retirement plan with the longest vesting period for the person.

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Sec. 20. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352B.30, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

Subd. 2. Computation of deferred annuity. Deferred annuities must be computed according to this chapter on the basis of allowable service before termination of service and augmented as provided in this chapter. The required reserves applicable to a deferred annuity must be augmented by interest compounded annually from the first day of the month following the month in which the member terminated service, or July 1, 1971, whichever is later, to the first day of the month in which the annuity begins to accrue. The rates of interest used for this purpose shall must be five percent per year compounded annually until January 1, 1981, and after that date three percent per year compounded annually after January 1, 1981, until January 1, 2012, if the employee became an employee before July 1, 2006, and at 2.5 percent compounded annually if the employee becomes an employee after June 30, 2006, and two percent per year compounded annually after December 31, 2011, irrespective of when the employee was first employed. The mortality table and interest assumption used to compute the annuity shall must be those in effect when the member files application for annuity.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 21. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 352F.07, is amended to read:

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Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 352 to the contrary, terminated hospital employees may receive a refund of employee accumulated contributions plus interest at the rate of six percent per year compounded annually in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 1994, section 352.22, subdivision 2, at any time after the transfer of employment to Fairview, University of Minnesota Physicians, or University Affiliated Family Physicians. If a terminated hospital employee has received a refund from a pension plan enumerated in section 356.30, subdivision 3, the person may not repay that refund unless the person again becomes a member of one of those enumerated plans and complies with section 356.30, subdivision 2.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 22. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.01, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

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15.1	Subd. 47. Vesting. (a) "Vesting" means obtaining a nonforfeitable entitlement
15.2	to an annuity or benefit from a retirement plan administered by the Public Employees
15.3	Retirement Association by having credit for sufficient allowable service under paragraph
15.4	(b) or (c), whichever applies.
15.5	(b) For purposes of qualifying for an annuity or benefit as a basic or coordinated plan
15.6	member of the general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement
15.7	Association:
15.8	(1) a member who first became a public employee before July 1, 2010, is vested
15.9	when the person has accrued credit for not less than three years of allowable service as
15.10	defined under subdivision 16; and
15.11	(2) a member who first becomes a public employee after June 30, 2010, is vested
15.12	when the person has accrued credit for not less than five years of allowable service
15.13	as defined under subdivision 16.
15.14	(c) For purposes of qualifying for an annuity or benefit as a member of the police
15.15	and fire plan or a member of the local government correctional employees retirement plan:
15.16	(1) a member who first became a public employee before July 1, 2010, is vested
15.17	when the person has accrued credit for not less than three years of allowable service as
15.18	defined under subdivision 16; and
15.19	(2) a member who first becomes a public employee after June 30, 2010, is vested
15.20	at the following percentages when the person has accrued credited allowable service as
15.21	defined under subdivision 16, as follows:
15.22	(i) 50 percent after five years;
15.23	(ii) 60 percent after six years;
15.24	(iii) 70 percent after seven years;
15.25	(iv) 80 percent after eight years;
15.26	(v) 90 percent after nine years; and
15.27	(vi) 100 percent after ten years.
15.28	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
15.29	Sec. 23. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 353.27, subdivision 2, is
15.30	amended to read:
15.31	Subd. 2. Employee contribution. (a) For a basic member, the employee
15.32	contribution is 9.10 percent of salary. For a coordinated member, the employee
15.33	contribution is six percent the following percentage of salary plus any contribution rate
15.34	adjustment under subdivision 3b . :

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16.1	Effective before January 1, 2011 6.00			
16.2	Effective after December 31, 2010 6.25			
16.3	(b) These contributions must be made by deduction from salary as defined in section			
16.4	353.01, subdivision 10, in the manner provided in subdivision 4. If any portion of a			
16.5	member's salary is paid from other than public funds, the member's employee contribution			
16.6	must be based on the total salary received by the member from all sources.			
16.7	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.			
16.8	Sec. 24. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 353.27, subdivision 3, is			
16.9	amended to read:			
16.10	Subd. 3. Employer contribution. (a) For a basic member, the employer			
16.11	contribution is 9.10 percent of salary. For a coordinated member, the employer			
16.12	contribution is six percent the following percentage of salary plus any contribution rate			
16.13	adjustment under subdivision 3b-:			
16.14	Effective before January 1, 2011 <u>6.00</u>			
16.15	Effective after December 31, 2010 6.25			
16.16	(b) This contribution must be made from funds available to the employing			
16.17	subdivision by the means and in the manner provided in section 353.28.			
16.18	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.			
16.19	Sec. 25. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.27, subdivision 3b, is amended to read:			
16.20	Subd. 3b. Change in employee and employer contributions in certain instances.			
16.21	(a) For purposes of this section;			
16.22	(1) a contribution sufficiency exists if the total of the employee contribution under			
16.23	subdivision 2, the employer contribution under subdivision 3, the additional employer			
16.24	contribution under subdivision 3a, and any additional contribution previously imposed			
16.25	under this subdivision exceeds the total of the normal cost, the administrative expenses,			
16.26	and the amortization contribution of the retirement plan as reported in the most recent			
16.27	actuarial valuation of the retirement plan prepared by the actuary retained under section			
16.28	356.214 and prepared under section 356.215 and the standards for actuarial work of the			
16.29	Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement. For purposes of this section;; and			
16.30	(2) a contribution deficiency exists if the total of the employee contributions under			
16.31	subdivision 2, the employer contributions under subdivision 3, the additional employer			
16.32	contribution under subdivision 3a, and any additional contribution previously imposed			
16.33	under this subdivision is less than the total of the normal cost, the administrative expenses,			

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and the amortization contribution of the retirement plan as reported in the most recent actuarial valuation of the retirement plan prepared by the actuary retained under section 356.214 and prepared under section 356.215 and the standards for actuarial work of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement.

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- (b) Employee and employer contributions under subdivisions 2 and 3 must be adjusted:
- (1) if, on or after July 1, 2010, the regular actuarial valuations valuation of the general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association under section 356.215 indicate indicates that there is a contribution sufficiency under paragraph (a) equal to or greater than 0.5 one percent of covered payroll and that the sufficiency has existed for at least two consecutive years, the coordinated program employee and employer contribution rates must be decreased as determined under paragraph (c) to a level such that the sufficiency equals is no more greater than 0.25 one percent of covered payroll based on the most recent actuarial valuation; or
- (2) if, on or after July 1, 2010, the regular actuarial valuations valuation of the general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association under section 356.215 indicate indicates that there is a contribution deficiency equal to or greater than 0.5 percent of covered payroll and that the deficiency has existed for at least two consecutive years, the coordinated program employee and employer contribution rates must be increased as determined under paragraph (e) (d) to a level such that no deficiency exists based on the most recent actuarial valuation.
- (c) The contribution rate increase or decrease must be determined by the executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association, must be reported to the chair and the executive director of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement on or before the next February 1, and, if the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement does not recommend against the rate change or does not recommend a modification in the rate change, is effective on the next July 1 following the determination by the executive director that a contribution deficiency or sufficiency has existed for two consecutive fiscal years based on the most recent actuarial valuations under section 356.215. If the actuarially required contribution execeds or is less than the total support provided by the combined employee and employer contribution rates under subdivisions 2, 3, and 3a, by more than 0.5 one percent of covered payroll, the coordinated program employee and employer contribution rates under subdivisions 2 and 3 must be adjusted decreased incrementally over one or more years by no more than 0.25 percent of pay each for employee and employer matching contribution rates to a level such that there remains a contribution sufficiency of no more than 0.25 at least one percent of covered payroll. No

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contribution rate decrease may be made until at least two years have elapsed since any adjustment under this subdivision has been fully implemented.

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- (d) No If the actuarially required contribution exceeds the total support provided by the combined employee and employer contribution rates under subdivisions 2, 3, and 3a, the employee and matching employer contribution rates must be increased equally to eliminate that contribution deficiency. If the contribution deficiency is:
- (1) less than two percent, the incremental adjustment increase may exceed be up to 0.25 percent for either the coordinated program employee and matching employer contribution rates per year in which any adjustment is implemented. A contribution rate adjustment under this subdivision must not be made until at least two years have passed since fully implementing a previous adjustment under this subdivision.
- (2) greater than 1.99 percent and less than 4.01 percent, the incremental increase may be up to 0.5 percent for the employee and matching employer contribution rates; or
- (3) greater than four percent, the incremental increase may be up to 0.75 percent for the employee and matching employer contribution.
- (e) Any recommended adjustment to the contribution rates must be reported to the chair and the executive director of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement by January 15 following receipt of the most recent annual actuarial valuation prepared under section 356.215. If the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement does not recommend against the rate change or does not recommend a modification in the rate change, the recommended adjustment becomes effective on the first day of the first full payroll period in the fiscal year following receipt of the most recent actuarial valuation that gave rise to the adjustment.
- (f) A contribution sufficiency of up to one percent of covered payroll must be held in reserve to be used to offset any future actuarially required contributions that are more than the total combined employee and employer contributions under subdivisions 2, 3, and 3a.
- (g) Before any reduction in contributions to eliminate a sufficiency in excess of one percent of covered pay may be recommended, the executive director must review any need for a change in actuarial assumptions, as recommended by the actuary retained under section 356.214 in the most recent experience study of the general employees retirement plan prepared under section 356.215 and the standards for actuarial work promulgated by the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement that may result in an increase in the actuarially required contribution and must report to the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement any recommendation by the board to use the sufficiency exceeding one percent of covered payroll to offset the impact of an actuarial assumption

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change recommended by the actuary retained under section 356.214, subdivision 1, and reviewed by the actuary retained by the commission under section 356.214, subdivision 4.

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(h) No contribution sufficiency in excess of one percent of covered pay may be proposed to be used to increase benefits, and no benefit increase may be proposed that would initiate an automatic adjustment to increase contributions under this subdivision.

Any proposed benefit improvement must include a recommendation, prepared by the actuary retained under section 356.214, subdivision 1, and reviewed by the actuary retained by the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement as provided under section 356.214, subdivision 4, on how the benefit modification will be funded.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 26. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.29, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Age and allowable service requirements.** Upon termination of membership, a person who has attained normal retirement age and who received credit for not less than three years of allowable service is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, is entitled upon application to a retirement annuity. The retirement annuity is known as the "normal" retirement annuity.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 27. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.30, subdivision 1c, is amended to read: Subd. 1c. **Pre-July 1, 1989, members: early retirement.** Upon termination of public service, a person who first became a public employee or a member of a pension fund listed in section 356.30, subdivision 3, before July 1, 1989, who has become at least 55 years old but not normal retirement age, and has received credit for at least three years of allowable service is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, is entitled, upon application, to a retirement annuity in an amount equal to the normal annuity provided in section 353.29, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), reduced by one-quarter of one percent for each month that the member is under normal retirement age at the time of retirement.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 28. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.32, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Before retirement.** If a member or former member who terminated public service dies before retirement or before receiving any retirement annuity and no other payment of any kind is or may become payable to any person, a refund shall be paid is payable to the designated beneficiary or, if there be none, to the surviving spouse,

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or, if none, to the legal representative of the decedent's estate. Such The refund shall must be in an amount equal to accumulated deductions plus annual compound interest thereon at the rate of six percent per annum compounded annually specified in section 353.34, subdivision 2, and less the sum of any disability or survivor benefits, if any, that may have been paid by the fund; provided that a survivor who has a right to benefits pursuant to under section 353.31 may waive such benefits in writing, except such benefits for a dependent child under the age of 18 years may only be waived pursuant to under an order of the district court.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 29. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.32, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

Subd. 1a. **Surviving spouse optional annuity.** (a) If a member or former member who has credit for not less than three years of allowable service is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, and who dies before the annuity or disability benefit begins to accrue under section 353.29, subdivision 7, or 353.33, subdivision 2, notwithstanding any designation of beneficiary to the contrary, the surviving spouse may elect to receive, instead of a refund with interest under subdivision 1, or surviving spouse benefits otherwise payable under section 353.31, an annuity equal to a 100 percent joint and survivor annuity computed consistent with section 353.30, subdivision 1a, 1c, or 5, whichever is applicable.

- (b) If a member first became a public employee or a member of a pension fund listed in section 356.30, subdivision 3, before July 1, 1989, and has credit for at least 30 years of allowable service on the date of death, the surviving spouse may elect to receive a 100 percent joint and survivor annuity computed using section 353.30, subdivision 1b, except that the early retirement reduction under that provision will be applied from age 62 back to age 55 and one-half of the early retirement reduction from age 55 back to the age payment begins.
- (c) If a member who was under age 55 and has credit for at least three years of allowable service who is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, dies, but did not qualify for retirement on the date of death, the surviving spouse may elect to receive a 100 percent joint and survivor annuity computed using section 353.30, subdivision 1c or 5, as applicable, except that the early retirement reduction specified in the applicable subdivision will be applied to age 55 and one-half of the early retirement reduction from age 55 back to the age payment begins.
- (d) Notwithstanding the definition of surviving spouse in section 353.01, subdivision 20, a former spouse of the member, if any, is entitled to a portion of the monthly surviving spouse optional annuity if stipulated under the terms of a marriage dissolution decree filed

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with the association. If there is no surviving spouse or child or children, a former spouse may be entitled to a lump-sum refund payment under subdivision 1, if provided for in a marriage dissolution decree, but not a monthly surviving spouse optional annuity, despite the terms of a marriage dissolution decree filed with the association.

- (e) The surviving spouse eligible for surviving spouse benefits under paragraph (a) may apply for the annuity at any time after the date on which the deceased employee would have attained the required age for retirement based on the employee's allowable service. The surviving spouse eligible for surviving spouse benefits under paragraph (b) or (c) may apply for an annuity any time after the member's death.
- (f) Sections 353.34, subdivision 3, and 353.71, subdivision 2, apply to a deferred annuity or surviving spouse benefit payable under this subdivision.
- (g) An amount equal to any excess of the accumulated contributions that were credited to the account of the deceased employee over and above the total of the annuities paid and payable to the surviving spouse must be paid to the surviving spouse's estate.
- (h) A member may specify in writing, with the signed consent of the spouse, that this subdivision does not apply and that payment may be made only to the designated beneficiary as otherwise provided by this chapter. The waiver of a surviving spouse annuity under this section does not make a dependent child eligible for benefits under subdivision 1c.
- (i) If the deceased member or former member first became a public employee or a member of a public pension plan listed in section 356.30, subdivision 3, on or after July 1, 1989, a survivor annuity computed under paragraph (a) or (c) must be computed as specified in section 353.30, subdivision 5, except for the revised early retirement reduction specified in paragraph (c), if paragraph (c) is the applicable provision.
- (j) For any survivor annuity determined under this subdivision, the payment is to be based on the total allowable service that the member had accrued as of the date of death and the age of the member and surviving spouse on that date.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 30. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 353.33, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Age, service, and salary requirements.** (a) A coordinated or basic member who has at least three years of allowable service is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, and who becomes totally and permanently disabled before normal retirement age, upon application as defined under section 353.031, is entitled to a disability benefit in an amount determined under subdivision 3.

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(b) If the disabled person's public service has terminated at any time, at least two of the required three years of allowable service required to be vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, must have been rendered after last becoming an active member.

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Sec. 31. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.34, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Refund or deferred annuity.** (a) A former member is entitled to

either a refund of accumulated employee deductions under subdivision 2, or to a deferred
annuity under subdivision 3. Application for a refund may not be made before the date of
termination of public service. Except as specified in paragraph (b), a refund must be paid
within 120 days following receipt of the application unless the applicant has again become
a public employee required to be covered by the association.

- (b) If an individual was placed on layoff under section 353.01, subdivision 12 or 12c, a refund is not payable before termination of service under section 353.01, subdivision 11a.
- (c) An individual who terminates public service covered by the Public Employees Retirement Association general employees retirement plan, the Public Employees Retirement Association police and fire retirement plan, or the public employees local government corrections correctional service retirement plan, and who is employed by a different employer and who becomes an active member covered by one of the other two plans, may receive a refund of employee contributions plus six percent annual compound interest compounded annually from the plan from which the member terminated service at the applicable rate specified in subdivision 2.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- Sec. 32. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.34, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 2. **Refund with interest.** (a) Except as provided in subdivision 1, any person who ceases to be a public employee shall is entitled to receive a refund in an amount equal to accumulated deductions with annual compound interest to the first day of the month in which the refund is processed at the rate of six percent compounded annually based on fiscal year balances.
- (b) For a person who ceases to be a public employee before July 1, 2011, the refund interest is at the rate of six percent to June 30, 2011, and at the rate of four percent after June 30, 2011. For a person who ceases to be a public employee after July 1, 2011, the refund interest is at the rate of four percent.

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23.1	(c) If a person repays a refund and subsequently applies for another refund, the
23.2	repayment amount, including interest, is added to the fiscal year balance in which the
23.3	repayment was made.
23.4	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
23.5	Sec. 33. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.34, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
23.6	Subd. 3. Deferred annuity; eligibility; computation. (a) A member with at least
23.7	three years of allowable service who is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, when
23.8	termination of public service or termination of membership occurs has the option of
23.9	leaving the accumulated deductions in the fund and being entitled to a deferred retirement
23.10	annuity commencing at normal retirement age or to a deferred early retirement annuity
23.11	under section 353.30, subdivision 1a, 1b, 1c, or 5.
23.12	(b) The deferred annuity must be computed under section 353.29, subdivision 3, on
23.13	the basis of the law in effect on the date of termination of public service or termination of
23.14	membership, whichever is earlier, and must be augmented as provided in section 353.71,
23.15	subdivision 2.
23.16	(c) A former member qualified to apply for a deferred retirement annuity may
23.17	revoke this option at any time before the commencement of deferred annuity payments
23.18	by making application for a refund. The person is entitled to a refund of accumulated
23.19	member contributions within 30 days following date of receipt of the application by the
23.20	executive director.
23.21	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
23.22	Sec. 34. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 353.65, subdivision 2, is
23.23	amended to read:
23.24	Subd. 2. Employee contribution. The employee contribution is 9.4 percent of the
23.25	salary of the member in calendar year 2010 and is 9.6 percent of the salary of the member
23.26	in each calendar year after 2010. This contribution must be made by deduction from
23.27	salary in the manner provided in subdivision 4. Where any portion of a member's salary
23.28	is paid from other than public funds, the member's employee contribution is based on
23.29	the total salary received from all sources.
23.30	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
23.31	Sec. 35. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 353.65, subdivision 3, is
23.32	amended to read:

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Subd. 3. **Employer contribution.** The employer contribution is 14.1 percent of the salary of the member in calendar year 2010 and is 14.4 percent of the salary of the member in each calendar year after 2010. This contribution must be made from funds available to the employing subdivision by the means and in the manner provided in section 353.28.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 36. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.651, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Age and allowable service requirements.** Upon separation from public service, any police officer or firefighter member who has attained the age of at least 55 years and who received credit for not less than three years of allowable service is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, is entitled upon application to a retirement annuity. Such retirement annuity is, known as the "normal" retirement annuity.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 37. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.651, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Early retirement.** (a) A person who becomes a police and fire plan member after June 30, 2007, or a former member who is reinstated as a member of the plan after that date, who is at least 50 years of age with at least three years of allowable service and who is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, upon the termination of public service is entitled upon application to a retirement annuity equal to the normal annuity calculated under subdivision 3, reduced by two-tenths of one percent for each month that the member is under age 55 at the time of retirement.

(b) Upon the termination of public service, any police and fire plan member not specified in paragraph (a), upon attaining at least 50 years of age with at least three years of allowable service is entitled upon application to a retirement annuity equal to the normal annuity calculated under subdivision 3, reduced by one-tenth of one percent for each month that the member is under age 55 at the time of retirement.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 38. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.657, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Generally.** (a) In the event that a member of the police and fire fund dies from any cause before retirement or before becoming disabled and receiving disability benefits, the association shall grant survivor benefits to a surviving spouse, as defined in section 353.01, subdivision 20, and to a dependent child or children, as defined in section 353.01, subdivision 15, except that if the death is not a line of duty death, the

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member must have accrued at least three years of credited service be vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47.

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- (b) Notwithstanding the definition of surviving spouse, a former spouse of the member, if any, is entitled to a portion of the monthly surviving spouse benefit if stipulated under the terms of a marriage dissolution decree filed with the association. If there is no surviving spouse or child or children, a former spouse may be entitled to a lump-sum refund payment under section 353.32, subdivision 1, if provided for in a marriage dissolution decree but not a monthly surviving spouse benefit despite the terms of a marriage dissolution decree filed with the association.
- (c) The spouse and child or children are entitled to monthly benefits as provided in subdivisions 2 to 4.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 39. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.657, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:

Subd. 2a. **Death while eligible survivor benefit.** (a) If a member or former member who has attained the age of at least 50 years and has credit for not less than three years allowable service either who is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, or who has credit for at least 30 years of allowable service, regardless of age attained, dies before the annuity or disability benefit becomes payable, notwithstanding any designation of beneficiary to the contrary, the surviving spouse may elect to receive a death while eligible survivor benefit.

- (b) Notwithstanding the definition of surviving spouse in section 353.01, subdivision 20, a former spouse of the member, if any, is entitled to a portion of the death while eligible survivor benefit if stipulated under the terms of a marriage dissolution decree filed with the association. If there is no surviving spouse or child or children, a former spouse may be entitled to a lump-sum refund payment under section 353.32, subdivision 1, if provided for in a marriage dissolution decree but not a death while eligible survivor benefit despite the terms of a marriage dissolution decree filed with the association.
- (c) The benefit may be elected instead of a refund with interest under section 353.32, subdivision 1, or surviving spouse benefits otherwise payable under subdivisions 1 and 2. The benefit must be an annuity equal to the 100 percent joint and survivor annuity which the member could have qualified for on the date of death, computed as provided in sections 353.651, subdivisions 2 and 3, and 353.30, subdivision 3.
- (d) The surviving spouse may apply for the annuity at any time after the date on which the deceased employee would have attained the required age for retirement

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based on the employee's allowable service. Sections 353.34, subdivision 3, and 353.71, subdivision 2, apply to a deferred annuity payable under this subdivision.

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- (e) No payment accrues beyond the end of the month in which entitlement to such annuity has terminated. An amount equal to the excess, if any, of the accumulated contributions which were credited to the account of the deceased employee over and above the total of the annuities paid and payable to the surviving spouse must be paid to the deceased member's last designated beneficiary or, if none, to the legal representative of the estate of such deceased member.
- (f) Any member may request in writing, with the signed consent of the spouse, that this subdivision not apply and that payment be made only to the designated beneficiary, as otherwise provided by this chapter.
- (g) For a member who is employed as a full-time firefighter by the Department of Military Affairs of the state of Minnesota, allowable service as a full-time state Military Affairs Department firefighter credited by the Minnesota State Retirement System may be used in meeting the minimum allowable service requirement of this subdivision.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 40. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.71, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. Eligibility. Any person who has been a member of a defined benefit retirement plan administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association, or a retirement plan administered by the Minnesota State Retirement System, or the Teachers Retirement Association, or any other public retirement system in the state of Minnesota having a like provision, except a fund retirement plan providing benefits for police officers or firefighters governed by sections 69.77 or 69.771 to 69.776, shall be is entitled, when qualified, to an annuity from each fund retirement plan if the total allowable service in all funds retirement plans or in any two of these funds retirement plans totals three or more years the number of years of allowable service required to receive a normal retirement annuity for that retirement plan, provided that no portion of the allowable service upon which the retirement annuity from one fund retirement plan is based is again used in the computation for benefits from another fund retirement plan and provided further that the person has not taken a refund from any one of these funds retirement plans since the person's membership in that association or system last terminated. The annuity from each fund shall must be determined by the appropriate provisions of the law except that the requirement that a person must have at least three years a specific minimum period of allowable service in the respective association or system shall does not apply for the purposes of this section provided if the combined service in two or more of these funds

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retirement plans equals three or more the number of years of allowable service required to 27.1 receive a normal retirement annuity for that retirement plan. 27.2 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. 27.3 Sec. 41. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353.71, subdivision 2, is amended to read: 27.4 Subd. 2. **Deferred annuity computation; augmentation.** (a) The deferred annuity 27.5 accruing under subdivision 1, or under sections 353.34, subdivision 3, and 353.68, 27.6 subdivision 4, must be computed on the basis of allowable service prior to the termination 27.7 of public service and augmented as provided in this paragraph subdivision. The required 27.8 reserves applicable to a deferred annuity, or to any deferred segment of an annuity must 27.9 be determined as of the first day of the month following the month in which the former 27.10 27.11 member ceased to be a public employee, or July 1, 1971, whichever is later. These (b) For a person who became a public employee before July 1, 2006, whose period 27.12 of deferral began after June 30, 1971, and who terminated public employment before 27.13 January 1, 2012, the required reserves of the deferred annuity must be augmented at 27.14 the <u>following applicable</u> rate of <u>or rates:</u> 27.15 (1) five percent annually compounded annually annual compound interest until 27.16 January 1, 1981, and at the rate of; 27.17 (2) three percent thereafter annual compound interest after January 1, 1981, or until 27.18 the earlier of December 31, 2011, or after the date of the termination of public service or 27.19 the termination of membership, whichever is later, until January 1 of the year following 27.20 the year in which the former member attains age 55 and; 27.21 (3) five percent annual compound interest from that date to the effective date of 27.22 retirement, the rate is five percent compounded annually if the employee became an 27.23 employee before July 1, 2006, and at 2.5 percent compounded annually if the employee 27.24 becomes an January 1 of the year following the year in which the former member attains 27.25 age 55, or until December 31, 2011, whichever is earlier; and 27.26 (4) one percent annual compound interest from January 1, 2012. 27.27 (c) For a person who became a public employee after June 30, 2006, and who 27.28 terminated public employment before January 1, 2012, the required reserves of the 27.29 deferred annuity must be augmented at 2.5 percent annual compound interest from the date 27.30 of termination of public service or termination of membership, whichever is earlier, until 27.31 December 31, 2011, and one percent annual compound interest after December 31, 2011.

(d) For a person who terminates public employment after December 31, 2011, the

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required reserves of the deferred annuity must not be augmented.

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(e) If a person has more than one period of uninterrupted service, the required reserves related to each period must be augmented as specified in this paragraph. The sum of the augmented required reserves is the present value of the annuity. Uninterrupted service for the purpose of this subdivision means periods of covered employment during which the employee has not been separated from public service for more than two years. If a person repays a refund, the restored service must be considered as continuous with the next period of service for which the employee has credit with this association. This section must not reduce the annuity otherwise payable under this chapter. This paragraph applies to individuals who become deferred annuitants on or after July 1, 1971. For a member who became a deferred annuitant before July 1, 1971, the paragraph applies from July 1, 1971, if the former active member applies for an annuity after July 1, 1973.

(b) (f) The retirement annuity or disability benefit of, or the survivor benefit payable on behalf of, a former member who terminated service before July 1, 1997, or the survivor benefit payable on behalf of a basic or police and fire member who was receiving disability benefits before July 1, 1997, which is first payable after June 30, 1997, must be increased on an actuarial equivalent basis to reflect the change in the postretirement interest rate actuarial assumption under section 356.215, subdivision 8, from five percent to six percent under a calculation procedure and tables adopted by the board and approved by the actuary retained under section 356.214.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 42. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353E.04, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Eligibility requirements.** After termination of public employment, an employee covered under section 353E.02 who has attained the age of at least 55 years and has credit for not less than three years of coverage who is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, in the local government correctional service plan is entitled, upon application, to a normal retirement annuity. Instead of a normal retirement annuity, a retiring employee may elect to receive the optional annuity provided in section 353.30, subdivision 3.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 43. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353E.04, subdivision 4, is amended to read: Subd. 4. **Early retirement.** An employee covered under section 353E.02 who has attained the age of at least 50 years and has credit for not less than three years of coverage who is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, in the local government correctional

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 44. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353E.07, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Member at least age 50.** If a member or former member of the local government correctional service retirement plan who has attained the age of at least 50 years and has credit for not less than three years of allowable service who is vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, dies before the annuity or disability benefit has become payable, notwithstanding any designation of beneficiary to the contrary, the surviving spouse may elect to receive, in lieu of a refund with interest provided in section 353.32, subdivision 1, a surviving spouse annuity equal to the 100 percent joint and survivor annuity for which the member could have qualified had the member terminated service on the date of death.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 45. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353E.07, subdivision 2, is amended to read: Subd. 2. **Member not yet age 50.** If the member was under age 50, dies, and had credit for not less than three years of allowable service was vested under section 353.01, subdivision 47, on the date of death but did not yet qualify for retirement, the surviving spouse may elect to receive a 100 percent joint and survivor annuity based on the age of the employee and the surviving spouse at the time of death. The annuity is payable using the early retirement reduction under section 353E.04, subdivision 4, to age 50 and one-half the early retirement reduction from age 50 to the age payment begins. Sections 353.34, subdivision 3, and 353.71, subdivision 2, apply to a deferred annuity or surviving spouse benefit payable under this subdivision.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 46. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 353F.03, is amended to read:

353F.03 VESTING RULE FOR CERTAIN EMPLOYEES.

Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 353 to the contrary, a terminated medical facility or other public employing unit employee is eligible to receive a retirement annuity

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under section 353.29 of the edition of Minnesota Statutes published in the year before the year in which the privatization occurred, without regard to the requirement for three years of allowable service specified in section 353.01, subdivision 47.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- Sec. 47. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 354.42, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **Employee contribution.** (a) For a basic member, the employee contribution to the fund is 9.0 percent the following percentage of the member's salary::

30.9	before July 1, 2011	9.0 percent
30.10	from July 1, 2011, until June 30, 2012	9.5 percent
30.11	from July 1, 2012, until June 30, 2013	10.0 percent
30.12	from July 1, 2013, until June 30, 2014	10.5 percent
30.13	after June 30, 2014	11.0 percent

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(b) For a coordinated member, the employee contribution is 5.5 percent the following percentage of the member's salary:

30.16	before July 1, 2011	5.5 percent
30.17	from July 1, 2011, until June 30, 2012	6.0 percent
30.18	from July 1, 2012, until June 30, 2013	6.5 percent
30.19	from July 1, 2013, until June 30, 2014	7.0 percent
30.20	after June 30, 2014	7.5 percent

- (c) When an employee contribution rate changes for a fiscal year, the new contribution rate is effective for the entire salary paid for each employer unit with the first payroll cycle reported.
- (d) After June 30, 2015, if a contribution rate revision is required under subdivisions
 4a, 4b, and 4c, the employee contributions under paragraphs (a) and (b) must be adjusted
 accordingly.
 - (b) (e) This contribution must be made by deduction from salary. Where any portion of a member's salary is paid from other than public funds, the member's employee contribution must be based on the entire salary received.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- Sec. 48. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354.42, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
- Subd. 3. **Employer.** (a) The regular employer contribution to the fund by Special School District No. 1, Minneapolis, after July 1, 2006, and before July 1, 2007, is an

30.34 amount equal to 5.0 percent of the salary of each of its teachers who is a coordinated

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member and 9.0 percent of the salary of each of its teachers who is a basic member. After July 1, 2007, the regular employer contribution to the fund by Special School District No. 1, Minneapolis, is an amount equal to 5.5 percent the applicable following percentage of salary of each coordinated member and 9.5 percent the applicable following percentage of salary of each basic member:

31.6	Period	Coordinated Member	Basic Member
31.7	before July 1, 2011	5.5 percent	9.5 percent
31.8	from July 1, 2011, until June 30, 2012	6.0 percent	10.0 percent
31.9	from July 1, 2012, until June 30, 2013	6.5 percent	10.5 percent
31.10	from July 1, 2013, until June 30, 2014	7.0 percent	11.0 percent
31.11	after June 30, 2014	7.5 percent	11.5 percent

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The additional employer contribution to the fund by Special School District No. 1, Minneapolis, after July 1, 2006, is an amount equal to 3.64 percent of the salary of each teacher who is a coordinated member or is a basic member.

(b) The employer contribution to the fund for every other employer is an amount equal to 5.0 percent the applicable following percentage of the salary of each coordinated member and 9.0 percent the applicable following percentage of the salary of each basic member before July 1, 2007, and 5.5 percent of the salary of each coordinated member and 9.5 percent of the salary of each basic member after June 30, 2007.

31.20	<u>Period</u>	Coordinated Member	Basic Member
31.21	before July 1, 2011	5.5 percent	9.5 percent
31.22	from July 1, 2011, until June 30, 2012	6.0 percent	10.0 percent
31.23	from July 1, 2012, until June 30, 2013	6.5 percent	10.5 percent
31.24	from July 1, 2013, until June 30, 2014	7.0 percent	11.0 percent
31.25	after June 30, 2014	7.5 percent	11.5 percent

- (c) When an employer contribution rate changes for a fiscal year, the new contribution rate is effective for the entire salary paid for each employer unit with the first payroll cycle reported.
- 31.29 (d) After June 30, 2015, if a contribution rate revision is made under subdivisions
 31.30 4a, 4b, and 4c, the employer contributions under paragraphs (a) and (b) must be adjusted
 31.31 accordingly.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- Sec. 49. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354.42, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:
- Subd. 4a. **Determination.** (a) For purposes of this section, a contribution

 sufficiency exists if the total of the employee contributions, the employer contributions,

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32.1	and any additional employer contributions, if applicable, exceeds the total of the normal
32.2	cost, the administrative expenses, and the amortization contribution of the retirement plan
32.3	as reported in the most recent actuarial valuation of the retirement plan prepared by the
32.4	approved actuary retained under section 356.214 and prepared under section 356.215
32.5	and the standards for actuarial work of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and
32.6	Retirement.
32.7	(b) For purposes of this section, a contribution deficiency exists if the total of
32.8	the employee contributions, the employer contributions, and any additional employer
32.9	contributions are less than the total of the normal cost, the administrative expenses, and
32.10	the amortization contribution of the retirement plan as reported in the most recent actuarial
32.11	valuation of the retirement plan prepared by the approved actuary retained under section
32.12	356.214 and prepared under section 356.215 and the standards for actuarial work of the
32.13	Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement.
32.14	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
32.15	Sec. 50. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354.42, is amended by adding a subdivision
32.16	to read:
32.17	Subd. 4b. Contribution rate revision. Notwithstanding the contribution rate
32.18	provisions under subdivisions 2 and 3, the employee and employer contribution rates
32.19	may be adjusted as follows:
32.20	(1) if, after June 30, 2015, the regular actuarial valuation of the plan under section
32.21	356.215 indicates that there is a contribution sufficiency under subdivision 4a equal to
32.22	or greater than one percent of covered payroll and the sufficiency has existed for at least
32.23	two consecutive years, the employee and employer contribution rates for the plan may
32.24	each be decreased to a level such that the sufficiency equals no more than one percent of
32.25	covered payroll based on the most recent actuarial valuation; or
32.26	(2) if, after June 30, 2015, the regular valuation of the plan under section 356.215
32.27	indicates that there is a deficiency equal to or greater than 0.25 percent of covered payroll
32.28	and the deficiency has existed for at least two consecutive years, the employee and
32.29	employer contribution rates for the applicable plan may each be increased by:
32.30	(i) 0.25 percent if the deficiency is less than 2.00 percent of covered payroll;
32.31	(ii) 0.5 percent if the deficiency is equal to or greater than 2.00 percent of covered
32.32	payroll and less than or equal to four percent; and
32.33	(iii) 0.75 percent if the deficiency is greater than four percent.
32.34	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

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Sec. 51. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354.42, is amended by adding a subdivision 33.1 33.2 to read: Subd. 4c. Contribution sufficiency measures. (a) A contribution sufficiency of up 33.3 to one percent of covered payroll must be held in reserve to be used to offset any future 33.4 actuarially required contributions that are more than the total combined employee and 33.5 employer contributions being collected. 33.6 (b) Before any reduction in contributions to eliminate a sufficiency in excess of one 33.7 percent of covered pay may be recommended, the executive director must review any 33.8 need for a change in actuarial assumptions, as recommended by the actuary retained 33.9 under section 356.214 in the most recent experience study of the retirement plan, that 33.10 may result in an increase in the actuarially required contribution and must report to the 33.11 Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement any recommendation by the board 33.12 to use the sufficiency exceeding one percent of covered payroll to offset the impact of 33.13 an actuarial assumption change recommended by the actuary retained under section 33.14 356.214, subdivision 1, and reviewed by the actuary retained by the commission under 33.15 section 356.214, subdivision 4. 33.16 (c) A contribution sufficiency in excess of one percent of covered pay must not be 33.17 used to increase benefits, and a benefit increase must not be proposed that would initiate 33.18 an automatic adjustment under this section to increase contributions. A proposed benefit 33.19 improvement must include a recommendation, prepared by the actuary retained under 33.20 section 356.214, subdivision 1, and reviewed by the actuary retained by the Legislative 33.21 Commission on Pensions and Retirement, as provided under section 356.214, subdivision 33.22 33.23 4, on the manner in which the benefit modification is to be funded. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. 33.24 Sec. 52. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354.42, is amended by adding a subdivision 33.25 to read: 33.26 Subd. 4d. Reporting; commission review. A contribution rate increase or decrease 33.27 under subdivision 4b, as determined by the executive director of the Teachers Retirement 33.28 Association, must be reported to the chair and the executive director of the Legislative 33.29 Commission on Pensions and Retirement on or before the next February 1 and, if the 33.30 Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement does not recommend against the rate 33.31 change or does not recommend a modification in the rate change, is effective on the next 33.32 July 1 following the determination by the executive director that a contribution deficiency 33.33 or sufficiency exists based on the most recent actuarial valuation under section 356.215. 33.34

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 53.	Minnesota	Statutes 20	009 S	Supplement,	section	354.47,	subdivision	1, is
amended to	read:							

Subdivision 1. **Death before retirement.** (a) If a member dies before retirement and is covered under section 354.44, subdivision 2, and neither an optional annuity, nor a reversionary annuity, nor a benefit under section 354.46, subdivision 1, is payable to the survivors if the member was a basic member, then the surviving spouse, or if there is no surviving spouse, the designated beneficiary is entitled to an amount equal to the member's accumulated deductions with interest credited to the account of the member to the date of death of the member. If the designated beneficiary is a minor, interest must be credited to the date the beneficiary reaches legal age, or the date of receipt, whichever is earlier.

- (b) If a member dies before retirement and is covered under section 354.44, subdivision 6, and neither an optional annuity, nor reversionary annuity, nor the benefit described in section 354.46, subdivision 1, is payable to the survivors if the member was a basic member, then the surviving spouse, or if there is no surviving spouse, then the designated beneficiary is entitled to an amount equal to the member's accumulated deductions credited to the account of the member as of June 30, 1957, and from July 1, 1957, to the date of death of the member, the member's accumulated deductions plus six percent interest compounded annually. a refund equal to the accumulated deductions credited to the member's account plus interest compounded annually until the member's date of death using the following interest rates:
- (1) before July 1, 1957, no interest accrues;
- 34.23 (2) July 1, 1957, to June 30, 2011, six percent; and
- 34.24 (3) after June 30, 2011, four percent.

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- (c) If the designated beneficiary under paragraph (b) is a minor, any interest credited under that paragraph must be credited to the date the beneficiary reaches legal age, or the date of receipt, whichever is earlier.
- (d) The amount of any refund payable under this subdivision must be reduced by any permanent disability payment under section 354.48 received by the member.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- Sec. 54. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 354.49, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **Calculation.** (a) Except as provided in section 354.44, subdivision 1, any person who ceases to be a member by reason of termination of teaching service, is

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35.1	entitled to receive a refund in an amount equal to the accumulated deductions credited
35.2	to the account as of June 30, 1957, and after July 1, 1957, the accumulated deductions
35.3	with interest at the rate of six percent per annum compounded annually. plus interest
35.4	compounded annually using the following interest rates:
35.5	(1) before July 1, 1957, no interest accrues;
35.6	(2) July 1, 1957, to June 30, 2011, six percent; and
35.7	(3) after June 30, 2011, four percent.
35.8	For the purpose of this subdivision, interest must be computed on fiscal year end
35.9	balances to the first day of the month in which the refund is issued.
35.10	(b) If the person has received permanent disability payments under section 354.48,
35.11	the refund amount must be reduced by the amount of those payments.
35.12	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
35.13	Sec. 55. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 354.55, subdivision 11, is
35.13	amended to read:
35.14	Subd. 11. Deferred annuity; augmentation. (a) Any person covered under section
35.16	354.44, subdivision 6, who ceases to render teaching service, may leave the person's
35.17	accumulated deductions in the fund for the purpose of receiving a deferred annuity
35.18	at retirement.
35.19	(b) The amount of the deferred retirement annuity is determined by section 354.44,
35.20	subdivision 6, and augmented as provided in this subdivision. The required reserves for
35.21	the annuity which had accrued when the member ceased to render teaching service must
35.22	be augmented, as further specified in this subdivision, by the applicable interest rate
35.23	compounded annually from the first day of the month following the month during which
35.24	the member ceased to render teaching service to the effective date of retirement.
35.25	(c) No augmentation is not creditable if the deferral period is less than three months
35.26	or if deferral commenced before July 1, 1971.
35.27	(d) For persons who became covered employees before July 1, 2006, with a deferral
35.28	period commencing after June 30, 1971, the annuity must be augmented using as follows:
35.29	(1) five percent interest compounded annually until January 1, 1981 , and ;
35.30	(2) three percent interest compounded annually thereafter from January 1, 1981, until
35.31	January 1 of the year following the year in which the deferred annuitant attains age 55-:
35.32	From that date (3) five percent interest compounded annually from the date
35.33	established in clause (2) to the effective date of retirement, the rate is five percent
35.34	compounded annually. or until June 30, 2012, whichever is earlier; and
35.35	(4) two percent interest compounded annually after June 30, 2012.

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- (e) For persons who become covered employees after June 30, 2006, the interest rate used to augment the deferred annuity is 2.5 percent interest compounded annually until June 30, 2012, or until the effective date of retirement, whichever is earlier, and two percent interest compounded annually after June 30, 2012.
- (f) If a person has more than one period of uninterrupted service, a separate average salary determined under section 354.44, subdivision 6, must be used for each period and the required reserves related to each period must be augmented as specified in this subdivision. The sum of the augmented required reserves is the present value of the annuity. For the purposes of this subdivision, "period of uninterrupted service" means a period of covered teaching service during which the member has not been separated from active service for more than one fiscal year.
- (g) If a person repays a refund, the service restored by the repayment must be considered as continuous with the next period of service for which the person has allowable service credit in the Teachers Retirement Association.
- (h) If a person does not render teaching service in any one fiscal year or more consecutive fiscal years and then resumes teaching service, the formula percentages used from the date of the resumption of teaching service must be those applicable to new members.
- (i) The mortality table and interest <u>rate actuarial</u> assumption used to compute the annuity must be the applicable mortality table established by the board under section 354.07, subdivision 1, and the interest rate <u>actuarial</u> assumption under section 356.215 in effect when the member retires.
- (j) In no case may the annuity payable under this subdivision be less than the amount of annuity payable under section 354.44, subdivision 6.
- (k) The requirements and provisions for retirement before normal retirement age contained in section 354.44, subdivision 6, also apply to an employee fulfilling the requirements with a combination of service as provided in section 354.60.
- (l) The augmentation provided by this subdivision applies to the benefit provided in section 354.46, subdivision 2.
- (m) The augmentation provided by this subdivision does not apply to any period in which a person is on an approved leave of absence from an employer unit covered by the provisions of this chapter.
- (n) The retirement annuity or disability benefit of, or the survivor benefit payable on behalf of, a former teacher who terminated service before July 1, 1997, which is not first payable until after June 30, 1997, must be increased on an actuarial equivalent basis to reflect the change in the postretirement interest rate actuarial assumption under section

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356.215, subdivision 8, from five percent to six percent under a calculation procedure and tables adopted by the board as recommended by an approved actuary and approved by the actuary retained under section 356.214.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 56. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354A.12, subdivision 1, is amended to read: Subdivision 1. **Employee contributions.** (a) The contribution required to be paid by each member of a teachers retirement fund association shall not be less than is the percentage of total salary specified below for the applicable association and program:

37.9	Association and Program	Percentage of Total Salary
37.10	Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association	
37.11	old law and new law	
37.12	coordinated programs	5.5 percent
37.13	before July 1, 2011	5.5 percent
37.14	effective July 1, 2011	6.0 percent
37.15	effective July 1, 2012	6.5 percent
37.16	St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association	
37.17	basic program before July 1, 2010	8 percent
37.18	basic program after June 30, 2010	8.5 percent
37.19	basic program after June 30, 2011	9.0 percent
37.20	coordinated program before July 1, 2010	5.5 percent
37.21	coordinated program after June 30, 2010	6.0 percent
37.22	coordinated program after June 30, 2011	6.5 percent

- (b) Contributions shall be made by deduction from salary and must be remitted directly to the respective teachers retirement fund association at least once each month.
- (c) When an employee contribution rate changes for a fiscal year, the new contribution rate is effective for the entire salary paid by the employer with the first payroll cycle reported.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2010.

- Sec. 57. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 354A.12, subdivision 2a, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2a. **Employer regular and additional contributions.** (a) The employing units shall make the following employer contributions to teachers retirement fund associations:
- 37.34 (1) for any coordinated member of one of the following teachers retirement fund 37.35 associations in a city of the first class, the employing unit shall make a regular employer

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contribution to the respective retirement fund association in an amount equal to the designated percentage of the salary of the coordinated member as provided below:

38.3	Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association	4.50 percent
38.4	before July 1, 2011	5.79 percent
38.5	effective July 1, 2011	6.29 percent
38.6	effective July 1, 2012	6.79 percent
38.7	St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association	
38.8	before July 1, 2010	4.50 percent
38.9	after June 30, 2010	5.0 percent
38.10	after June 30, 2011	5.5 percent
38.11	after June 30, 2013	6.5 percent

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(2) for any basic member of the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association, the employing unit shall make a regular employer contribution to the respective retirement fund in an amount equal to 8.00 percent of the salary of the basic member; according to the schedule below:

38.16	before July 1, 2010	8.0 percent of the salary of the basic member
38.17	before July 1, 2011	8.5 percent of the salary of the basic member
38.18	before July 1, 2012	9.0 percent of the salary of the basic member
38.19	before July 1, 2013	9.5 percent of the salary of the basic member
38.20	before July 1, 2014	10.0 percent of the salary of the basic member

- (3) for a basic member of the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association, the employing unit shall make an additional employer contribution to the respective fund in an amount equal to 3.64 percent of the salary of the basic member;
- (4) for a coordinated member of a teachers retirement fund association in a city of the first class the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association, the employing unit shall make an additional employer contribution to the respective fund in an amount equal to the applicable percentage of the coordinated member's salary, as provided below:

38.28	Duluth Teachers Retirement	
38.29	Fund Association	1.29 percent
38.30	St. Paul Teachers Retirement	
38.31	Fund Association	3.84 percent

- (b) The regular and additional employer contributions must be remitted directly to the respective teachers retirement fund association at least once each month. Delinquent amounts are payable with interest under the procedure in subdivision 1a.
- (c) Payments of regular and additional employer contributions for school district or technical college employees who are paid from normal operating funds must be made from the appropriate fund of the district or technical college.

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(d) When an employer contribution rate changes for a fiscal year, the new contribution rate is effective for the entire salary paid by the employer with the first payroll cycle reported.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2010.

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Sec. 58. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354A.12, subdivision 3c, is amended to read: Subd. 3c. Termination of supplemental contributions and direct matching and state aid. (a) The supplemental contributions payable to the Minneapolis Teachers Retirement Fund Association by Special School District No. 1 and the city of Minneapolis under section 423A.02, subdivision 3, must be paid to the Teachers Retirement Association and must continue until the current assets of the fund equal or exceed the actuarial accrued liability of the fund as determined in the most recent actuarial report for the fund by the actuary retained under section 356.214, or 2037, whichever occurs earlier. The supplemental contributions payable to the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association by Independent School District No. 625 under section 423A.02, subdivision 3, or the direct state aid under subdivision 3a to the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association terminate at the end of the fiscal year in which the accrued liability funding ratio for that fund, as determined in the most recent actuarial report for that fund by the actuary retained under section 356.214, equals or exceeds the accrued liability funding ratio for the Teachers Retirement Association, as determined in the most recent actuarial report for the Teachers Retirement Association by the actuary retained under section 356.214. must continue until the current assets of the fund equal or exceed the actuarial accrued liability of the fund as determined in the most recent actuarial report for the fund by the actuary retained under section 356.214 or until 2037, whichever occurs earlier. (b) If the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association is funded at an amount equal to or greater than the funding ratio applicable to the Teachers Retirement Association, then any future state aid under subdivision 3a is payable to the Teachers Retirement Association.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2010.

Sec. 59. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354A.27, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. Calculation Eligibility for and payment of postretirement adjustments.

(a) Annually, after June 30, the board of trustees of the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association determines the amount of any postretirement adjustment using the procedures in this subdivision and subdivision 6 or 7, whichever is applicable.

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(b) Each person who has been receiving an annuity or benefit under the articles of incorporation, bylaws, or under this section for at least 12 months as of the date of the postretirement adjustment shall be eligible for a postretirement adjustment. The postretirement adjustment shall be payable each January 1. The postretirement adjustment shall be equal to two percent of a permanent percentage increase as specified under subdivision 6 or 7, whichever is applicable, applied to the annuity or benefit to which the person is entitled one month prior to the payment of the postretirement adjustment.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2010.

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Sec. 60. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354A.27, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

- Subd. 6. Additional increase Calculation of postretirement adjustments; transitional provision. (a) In addition to the postretirement increases granted under subdivision 5, an additional percentage increase must be computed and paid under this subdivision.
- (b) The board of trustees shall determine the number of annuitants or benefit recipients who have been receiving an annuity or benefit for at least 12 months as of the current June 30. These recipients are entitled to receive the surplus investment earnings additional postretirement increase.
- (c) Annually, as of each June 30, the board shall determine the five-year annualized rate of return attributable to the assets of the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association under the formula or formulas specified in section 11A.04, clause (11).
- (d) The board shall determine the amount of excess five-year annualized rate of return over the preretirement interest assumption as specified in section 356.215.
- (e) The additional percentage increase must be determined by multiplying the quantity one minus the rate of contribution deficiency, as specified in the most recent actuarial report of the actuary retained under section 356.214, times the rate of return excess as determined in paragraph (d).
- (f) The additional increase is payable to all eligible annuitants or benefit recipients on the following January 1.
- (a) For purposes of computing postretirement adjustments after the effective date of this section for eligible benefit recipients of the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association, the funding ratio of the plan, as determined by dividing the market value of assets by the actuarial accrued liability as reported in the most recent actuarial valuation prepared under sections 356.214 and 356.215, determines the postretirement increase as follows:

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41.1	Funding Ratio	Postretirement Increase
41.2	less than 80 percent	<u>0 percent</u>
41.3	at least 80 percent but less than 90	
41.4	percent 00 months	1 percent
41.5	at least 90 percent	2 percent
41.6	(b) If the funding ratio of the plan based on a	ctuarial value, rather than market value,
41.7	is at least 90 percent as reported in the most recent	t actuarial valuation prepared under
41.8	sections 356.214 and 356.215, this subdivision exp	pires and subsequent postretirement
41.9	increases must be paid as specified under subdivisi	ion 7.
41.10	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective	ve July 1, 2010.
41.11	Sec. 61. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354	A 27 is amended by adding a
41.12	subdivision to read:	,
41.13	Subd. 7. Calculation of postretirement adj	ustments. (a) This subdivision applies
41.14	if subdivision 6 has expired.	
41.15	(b) A percentage adjustment must be comput	ted and paid under this subdivision to
41.16	eligible persons under subdivision 5. This adjustm	ent is determined by reference to the
41.17	Consumer Price Index for urban wage earners and	clerical workers all items index as
41.18	reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics within the	he United States Department of Labor
41.19	each year as part of the determination of annual co	est-of-living adjustments to recipients
41.20	of federal old-age, survivors, and disability insurar	nce. For calculations of cost-of-living
41.21	adjustments under paragraph (c), the term "average	e third quarter Consumer Price Index
41.22	value" means the sum of the monthly index values	as initially reported by the Bureau of
41.23	Labor Statistics for the months of July, August, and	d September, divided by 3.
41.24	(c) Before January 1 of each year, the execut	ive director must calculate the amount
41.25	of the cost-of-living adjustment by dividing the mo	ost recent average third quarter index
41.26	value by the same average third quarter index value	e from the previous year, subtract one
41.27	from the resulting quotient, and express the result a	as a percentage amount, which must be
41.28	rounded to the nearest one-tenth of one percent.	
41.29	(d) The amount calculated under paragraph (c) is the full cost-of-living adjustment
41.30	to be applied as a permanent increase to the regula	r payment of each eligible member
41.31	on January 1 of the next calendar year. For any eli	gible member whose effective date
41.32	of benefit commencement occurred during the cale	endar year before the cost-of-living
41.33	adjustment is applied, the full increase amount mu	st be prorated on the basis of whole
41.34	calendar quarters in benefit payment status in the c	ealendar year prior to the January 1 on
41.35	which the cost-of-living adjustment is applied, calc	culated to the third decimal place.

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(e) The adjustment must not be less than zero nor greater than five percent.

(f) If the funding ratio of the plan as determined in the most recent actuarial valuation using the actuarial value of assets is less than 80 percent there will be no postretirement adjustment the following January 1.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2010.

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Sec. 62. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354A.31, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. Age and service requirements. Any coordinated member or former coordinated member of the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association who has ceased to render teaching service for the school district in which the teachers retirement fund association exists and who has either attained the age of at least 55 years with not less than three years of allowable service credit or received credit for not less than 30 years of allowable service regardless of age, shall be entitled upon written application to a retirement annuity. Any coordinated member or former coordinated member of the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association who has ceased to render teaching service for the school district in which the teacher retirement fund association exists and who has either attained the age of at least 55 years with not less than three years of allowable service credit if the member became an employee before July 1, 2010, or not less than five years of allowable service credit if the member became an employee after June 30, 2010, or received service credit for not less than 30 years of allowable service regardless of age, shall be entitled upon written application to a retirement annuity.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2010.

Sec. 63. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354A.35, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Death before retirement; refund.** If a coordinated member or former coordinated member dies prior to retirement or prior to the receipt of any retirement annuity or other benefit payment which is or may be payable and a surviving spouse optional annuity is not payable pursuant to subdivision 2, a refund shall be paid to the person's surviving spouse, or if there is none, to the person's designated beneficiary, or if there is none, to the legal representative of the person's estate. For a coordinated member or former coordinated member of the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association, the refund shall be in an amount equal to the person's accumulated employee contributions plus interest at the rate of six percent per annum compounded annually. For a coordinated member or former coordinated member of the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association, the refund shall be in an amount equal to the person's accumulated

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employee contributions plus interest at the rate of six percent per annum compounded annually to July 1, 2010, and four percent per annum compounded annually thereafter.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2010.

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Sec. 64. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354A.37, subdivision 2, is amended to read: Subd. 2. **Eligibility for deferred retirement annuity.** (a) Any coordinated member who ceases to render teaching services for the school district in which the teachers retirement fund association is located, with sufficient allowable service credit to meet the minimum service requirements specified in section 354A.31, subdivision 1, shall be entitled to a deferred retirement annuity in lieu of a refund pursuant to subdivision 1. The deferred retirement annuity shall be computed pursuant to section 354A.31 and shall be augmented as provided in this subdivision. The deferred annuity shall commence upon application after the person on deferred status attains at least the minimum age specified in section 354A.31, subdivision 1.

(b) The monthly annuity amount that had accrued when the member ceased to render teaching service must be augmented from the first day of the month following the month during which the member ceased to render teaching service to the effective date of retirement. There is no augmentation if this period is less than three months. For a member of the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association, the rate of augmentation is three percent compounded annually until January 1 of the year following the year in which the former member attains age 55, and five percent compounded annually after that date to the effective date of retirement if the employee became an employee before July 1, 2006, and at 2.5 percent compounded annually if the employee becomes an employee after June 30, 2006. For a member of the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association, the rate of augmentation is three percent compounded annually until January 1 of the year following the year in which the former member attains age 55, five percent compounded annually after that date to July 1, 2012, and two percent compounded annually after that date to the effective date of retirement if the employee became an employee before July 1, 2006, and at 2.5 percent compounded annually to July 1, 2012, and two percent compounded annually after that date to the effective date of retirement if the employee becomes an employee after June 30, 2006. If a person has more than one period of uninterrupted service, a separate average salary determined under section 354A.31 must be used for each period, and the monthly annuity amount related to each period must be augmented as provided in this subdivision. The sum of the augmented monthly annuity amounts determines the total deferred annuity payable. If a person repays a refund, the service restored by the repayment must be considered as continuous with the next period

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(c) The augmentation provided by this subdivision applies to the benefit provided in section 354A.35, subdivision 2. The augmentation provided by this subdivision does not apply to any period in which a person is on an approved leave of absence from an employer unit.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2010.

Sec. 65. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354A.37, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Computation of refund amount. A former coordinated member of the

St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association who qualifies for a refund pursuant to

under subdivision 1 shall receive a refund equal to the amount of the former coordinated

member's accumulated employee contributions with interest at the rate of six percent per

annum compounded annually. A former coordinated member of the Duluth Teachers

Retirement Fund Association who qualifies for a refund under subdivision 1 shall receive

a refund equal to the amount of the former coordinated member's accumulated employee

contributions with interest at the rate of six percent per annum compounded annually to

July 1, 2010, and four percent per annum compounded annually thereafter.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2010.

Sec. 66. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354A.37, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. **Certain refunds at normal retirement age.** Any coordinated member who has attained the normal retirement age with less than ten years of allowable service credit and has terminated active teaching service shall be entitled to a refund in lieu of a proportionate annuity pursuant to section 356.32. The refund <u>for a member of the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association</u> shall be equal to the coordinated member's accumulated employee contributions plus interest at the rate of six percent compounded annually. The refund for a member of the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association

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shall be equal to the coordinated member's accumulated employee contributions plus interest at the rate of six percent compounded annually to July 1, 2010, and four percent per annum compounded annually thereafter.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2010.

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Sec. 67. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 356.215, subdivision 8, is amended to read: Subd. 8. Interest and salary assumptions. (a) The actuarial valuation must use the applicable following preretirement interest assumption and the applicable following postretirement interest assumption:

45.9		preretirement	postretirement
45.10 45.11	plan	interest rate assumption	interest rate assumption
45.12	general state employees retirement plan	8.5%	6.0%
			6.0
45.13	correctional state employees retirement plan	8.5	
45.14	State Patrol retirement plan	8.5	6.0
45.15	legislators retirement plan	8.5	6.0
45.16	elective state officers retirement plan	8.5	6.0
45.17	judges retirement plan	8.5	6.0
45.18	general public employees retirement plan	8.5	6.0
45.19	public employees police and fire retirement plan	8.5	6.0
45.20	local government correctional service retirement		
45.21	plan	8.5	6.0
45.22	teachers retirement plan	8.5	6.0
45.23	Minneapolis employees retirement plan	6.0	5.0
45.24	Duluth teachers retirement plan	8.5	8.5
45.25	St. Paul teachers retirement plan	8.5	8.5
45.26	Minneapolis Police Relief Association	6.0	6.0
45.27	Fairmont Police Relief Association	5.0	5.0
45.28	Minneapolis Fire Department Relief Association	6.0	6.0
45.29	Virginia Fire Department Relief Association	5.0	5.0
45.30	Bloomington Fire Department Relief Association	6.0	6.0
45.31	local monthly benefit volunteer firefighters relief		
45.32	associations	5.0	5.0

(b) Before July 1, 2010, the actuarial valuation must use the applicable following single rate future salary increase assumption, the applicable following modified single rate future salary increase assumption, or the applicable following graded rate future salary increase assumption:

(1) single rate future salary increase assumption

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46.1 46.2	plan	future salary increase assumption
46.3	legislators retirement plan	5.0%
46.4	judges retirement plan	4.0
46.5	Minneapolis Police Relief Association	4.0
46.6	Fairmont Police Relief Association	3.5
46.7	Minneapolis Fire Department Relief	3.3
46.8	Association	4.0
46.9	Virginia Fire Department Relief Association	3.5
46.10 46.11	Bloomington Fire Department Relief Association	4.0
46.12	(2) modified single rate future salary incre	
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46.13 46.14	plan	future salary increase assumption
	Minneapolis employees	•
46.15 46.16	retirement plan	the prior calendar year amount increased first by 1.0198 percent to prior fiscal year
46.17	F	date and then increased by 4.0 percent
46.18		annually for each future year
46.19	(3) <u>age-related</u> select and ultimate future s	alary increase assumption or graded rate
46.20	future salary increase assumption	
46.21		future salary
46.22	plan	increase assumption
46.23 46.24	general state employees retirement plan	select calculation and assumption A
46.25	correctional state employees retirement plan	assumption <u>H_G</u>
46.26	State Patrol retirement plan	assumption <u>G F</u>
46.27 46.28	general public employees retirement plan	select calculation and assumption B
46.29	public employees police and fire fund retiremen	t plan assumption <u>E B</u>
46.30	local government correctional service retiremen	t plan assumption <u>G F</u>
46.31	teachers retirement plan	assumption <u>P</u> C
46.32	Duluth teachers retirement plan	assumption <u>E D</u>
46.33	St. Paul teachers retirement plan	assumption <u>F</u> <u>E</u>
46.34	The select calculation is: during the	
46.35	designated select period, a designated	
46.36	percentage rate is multiplied by the result of	
46.37	the designated integer minus T, where T is the	
46.38	number of completed years of service, and is	
46.39	added to the applicable future salary increase	
46.40	assumption. The designated select period is	
46.41	five years and the designated integer is five	
46.42	for the general state employees retirement	

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47.1	plan	plan and the general public employees							
47.2	retire	retirement plan. The designated select period							
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47.15	Retir	ement Fun	d Associat	ion, and th	e St.				
47.16	Paul	Teachers R	etirement	Fund Asso	ciation.				
47.17	The	select calcu	lation for the	he Duluth I	Гeachers				
47.18	Retir	ement Fun	d Associat	ion is 8.00	percent				
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47.20	7.25	percent per	year for s	ervice year	rs seven				
47.21	and e	eight, and 6	5.50 percer	nt per year	for				
47.22	servi	ce years eig	ght and nir	ne.					
47.23		The ultima	ate future s	salary incre	ease assum	nption is:			
47.24	age	A	B	<u>€ B</u>	D <u>C</u>	<u> </u>	<u>F</u> _E	<u>G F</u>	H <u>G</u>
47.25	16	5.95%	5.95%	11.00%	7.70%	8.00%	6.90%	7.7500%	
47.26	17	5.90	5.90	11.00	7.65	8.00	6.90	7.7500	7.2500
47.27	18	5.85	5.85	11.00	7.60	8.00	6.90	7.7500	7.2500
47.28	19	5.80	5.80	11.00	7.55	8.00	6.90	7.7500	7.2500
47.29	20	5.75	5.40	11.00	5.50	6.90	6.90	7.7500	7.2500
47.30	21	5.75	5.40	11.00	5.50	6.90	6.90	7.1454	6.6454
47.31	22	5.75	5.40	10.50	5.50	6.90	6.90	7.0725	6.5725
47.32	23	5.75	5.40	10.00	5.50	6.85	6.85	7.0544	6.5544
47.33	24	5.75	5.40	9.50	5.50	6.80	6.80	7.0363	6.5363
47.34	25	5.75	5.40	9.00	5.50	6.75	6.75	7.0000	6.5000
47.35	26	5.75	5.36	8.70	5.50	6.70	6.70	7.0000	6.5000
47.36	27	5.75	5.32	8.40	5.50	6.65	6.65	7.0000	6.5000
47.37	28	5.75	5.28	8.10	5.50	6.60	6.60	7.0000	6.5000
47.38	29	5.75	5.24	7.80	5.50	6.55	6.55	7.0000	6.5000

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48.1	31	5.75	5.16	7.30	5.50	6.45	6.45	7.0000	6.5000
48.2	32	5.75	5.12	7.10	5.50	6.40	6.40	7.0000	6.5000
48.3	33	5.75	5.08	6.90	5.50	6.35	6.35	7.0000	6.5000
48.4	34	5.75	5.04	6.70	5.50	6.30	6.30	7.0000	6.5000
48.5	35	5.75	5.00	6.50	5.50	6.25	6.25	7.0000	6.5000
48.6	36	5.75	4.96	6.30	5.50	6.20	6.20	6.9019	6.4019
48.7	37	5.75	4.92	6.10	5.50	6.15	6.15	6.8074	6.3074
48.8	38	5.75	4.88	5.90	5.40	6.10	6.10	6.7125	6.2125
48.9	39	5.75	4.84	5.70	5.30	6.05	6.05	6.6054	6.1054
48.10	40	5.75	4.80	5.50	5.20	6.00	6.00	6.5000	6.0000
48.11	41	5.75	4.76	5.40	5.10	5.90	5.95	6.3540	5.8540
48.12	42	5.75	4.72	5.30	5.00	5.80	5.90	6.2087	5.7087
48.13	43	5.65	4.68	5.20	4.90	5.70	5.85	6.0622	5.5622
48.14	44	5.55	4.64	5.10	4.80	5.60	5.80	5.9048	5.4078
48.15	45	5.45	4.60	5.00	4.70	5.50	5.75	5.7500	5.2500
48.16	46	5.35	4.56	4.95	4.60	5.40	5.70	5.6940	5.1940
48.17	47	5.25	4.52	4.90	4.50	5.30	5.65	5.6375	5.1375
48.18	48	5.15	4.48	4.85	4.50	5.20	5.60	5.5822	5.0822
48.19	49	5.05	4.44	4.80	4.50	5.10	5.55	5.5404	5.0404
48.20	50	4.95	4.40	4.75	4.50	5.00	5.50	5.5000	5.0000
48.21	51	4.85	4.36	4.75	4.50	4.90	5.45	5.4384	4.9384
48.22	52	4.75	4.32	4.75	4.50	4.80	5.40	5.3776	4.8776
48.23	53	4.65	4.28	4.75	4.50	4.70	5.35	5.3167	4.8167
48.24	54	4.55	4.24	4.75	4.50	4.60	5.30	5.2826	4.7826
48.25	55	4.45	4.20	4.75	4.50	4.50	5.25	5.2500	4.7500
48.26	56	4.35	4.16	4.75	4.50	4.40	5.20	5.2500	4.7500
48.27	57	4.25	4.12	4.75	4.50	4.30	5.15	5.2500	4.7500
48.28	58	4.25	4.08	4.75	4.60	4.20	5.10	5.2500	4.7500
48.29	59	4.25	4.04	4.75	4.70	4.10	5.05	5.2500	4.7500
48.30	60	4.25	4.00	4.75	4.80	4.00	5.00	5.2500	4.7500
48.31	61	4.25	4.00	4.75	4.90	3.90	5.00	5.2500	4.7500
48.32	62	4.25	4.00	4.75	5.00	3.80	5.00	5.2500	4.7500
48.33	63	4.25	4.00	4.75	5.10	3.70	5.00	5.2500	4.7500
48.34	64	4.25	4.00	4.75	5.20	3.60	5.00	5.2500	4.7500
48.35	65	4.25	4.00	4.75	5.20	3.50	5.00	5.2500	4.7500
48.36	66	4.25	4.00	4.75	5.20	3.50	5.00	5.2500	4.7500
48.37	67	4.25	4.00	4.75	5.20	3.50	5.00	5.2500	4.7500
48.38	68	4.25	4.00	4.75	5.20	3.50	5.00	5.2500	4.7500
48.39	69	4.25	4.00	4.75	5.20	3.50	5.00	5.2500	4.7500
48.40	70	4.25	4.00	4.75	5.20	3.50	5.00	5.2500	4.7500
48.41	71	4.25	4.00		5.20				

48.42 (4) service-related ultimate future salary increase assumption

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49.1		general employees retirement plan of the Public
49.2	service length	Employees Retirement Association
49.3	<u>1</u>	<u>12.03%</u>
49.4	<u>2</u>	<u>8.90</u>
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49.7	$ \begin{array}{r} \frac{1}{2} \\ \underline{3} \\ \underline{4} \\ \underline{5} \\ \underline{6} \\ \underline{7} \\ \underline{8} \\ \underline{9} \\ \underline{10} \end{array} $	<u>5.97</u>
49.8	<u>6</u>	<u>5.52</u>
49.9	<u>7</u>	<u>5.16</u>
49.10	<u>8</u>	4.87
49.11	<u>9</u>	4.63
49.12	<u>10</u>	4.42
49.13	<u>11</u>	4.24
49.14	<u>12</u>	4.08
49.15	<u>13</u>	<u>3.94</u>
49.16	<u>14</u>	<u>3.82</u>
49.17	<u>15</u>	<u>3.70</u>
49.18	<u>16</u>	<u>3.60</u>
49.19	<u>17</u>	<u>3.51</u>
49.20	<u>18</u>	<u>3.50</u>
49.21	<u>19</u>	<u>3.50</u>
49.22	<u>20</u>	<u>3.50</u>
49.23	<u>21</u>	<u>3.50</u>
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49.25	<u>23</u>	3.50
49.26	<u>24</u>	<u>3.50</u>
49.27	<u>25</u>	3.50
49.28	<u>26</u>	<u>3.50</u>
49.29	<u>27</u>	3.50
49.30	<u>28</u>	3.50
49.31	<u>29</u>	3.50
49.32	30 or more	<u>3.50</u>

(c) Before July 2, 2010, the actuarial valuation must use the applicable following payroll growth assumption for calculating the amortization requirement for the unfunded actuarial accrued liability where the amortization retirement is calculated as a level percentage of an increasing payroll:

49.37 49.38	plan	payroll growth assumption
49.39	general state employees retirement plan	4.50%
49.40	correctional state employees retirement plan	4.50
49.41	State Patrol retirement plan	4.50
49.42	legislators retirement plan	4.50

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50.1	judges retirement plan	4.00
50.2 50.3	general public employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association	4.50 4.00
50.4	public employees police and fire retirement plan	4.50
50.5 50.6	local government correctional service retirement plan	4.50
50.7	teachers retirement plan	4.50
50.8	Duluth teachers retirement plan	4.50
50.9	St. Paul teachers retirement plan	5.00

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- (d) After July 1, 2010, the assumptions set forth in paragraphs (b) and (c) continue to apply, unless a different salary assumption or a different payroll increase assumption:
 - (1) has been proposed by the governing board of the applicable retirement plan;
- (2) is accompanied by the concurring recommendation of the actuary retained under section 356.214, subdivision 1, if applicable, or by the approved actuary preparing the most recent actuarial valuation report if section 356.214 does not apply; and
 - (3) has been approved or deemed approved under subdivision 18.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 68. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 356.215, subdivision 11, is amended to read:

Subd. 11. **Amortization contributions.** (a) In addition to the exhibit indicating the level normal cost, the actuarial valuation of the retirement plan must contain an exhibit for financial reporting purposes indicating the additional annual contribution sufficient to amortize the unfunded actuarial accrued liability and must contain an exhibit for contribution determination purposes indicating the additional contribution sufficient to amortize the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. For the retirement plans listed in subdivision 8, paragraph (c), the additional contribution must be calculated on a level percentage of covered payroll basis by the established date for full funding in effect when the valuation is prepared, assuming annual payroll growth at the applicable percentage rate set forth in subdivision 8, paragraph (c). For all other retirement plans, the additional annual contribution must be calculated on a level annual dollar amount basis.

(b) For any retirement plan other than the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund, the general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association, the general state employees retirement plan of the Minnesota State Retirement System, and the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association, if there has not been a change in the actuarial assumptions used for calculating the actuarial accrued liability of the fund, a change in the benefit plan governing annuities and benefits payable from the fund, a

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change in the actuarial cost method used in calculating the actuarial accrued liability of all or a portion of the fund, or a combination of the three, which change or changes by itself or by themselves without inclusion of any other items of increase or decrease produce a net increase in the unfunded actuarial accrued liability of the fund, the established date for full funding is the first actuarial valuation date occurring after June 1, 2020.

- (c) For any retirement plan other than the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund and the general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association, if there has been a change in any or all of the actuarial assumptions used for calculating the actuarial accrued liability of the fund, a change in the benefit plan governing annuities and benefits payable from the fund, a change in the actuarial cost method used in calculating the actuarial accrued liability of all or a portion of the fund, or a combination of the three, and the change or changes, by itself or by themselves and without inclusion of any other items of increase or decrease, produce a net increase in the unfunded actuarial accrued liability in the fund, the established date for full funding must be determined using the following procedure:
- (i) the unfunded actuarial accrued liability of the fund must be determined in accordance with the plan provisions governing annuities and retirement benefits and the actuarial assumptions in effect before an applicable change;
- (ii) the level annual dollar contribution or level percentage, whichever is applicable, needed to amortize the unfunded actuarial accrued liability amount determined under item (i) by the established date for full funding in effect before the change must be calculated using the interest assumption specified in subdivision 8 in effect before the change;
- (iii) the unfunded actuarial accrued liability of the fund must be determined in accordance with any new plan provisions governing annuities and benefits payable from the fund and any new actuarial assumptions and the remaining plan provisions governing annuities and benefits payable from the fund and actuarial assumptions in effect before the change;
- (iv) the level annual dollar contribution or level percentage, whichever is applicable, needed to amortize the difference between the unfunded actuarial accrued liability amount calculated under item (i) and the unfunded actuarial accrued liability amount calculated under item (iii) over a period of 30 years from the end of the plan year in which the applicable change is effective must be calculated using the applicable interest assumption specified in subdivision 8 in effect after any applicable change;
- (v) the level annual dollar or level percentage amortization contribution under item (iv) must be added to the level annual dollar amortization contribution or level percentage calculated under item (ii);

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- (vi) the period in which the unfunded actuarial accrued liability amount determined in item (iii) is amortized by the total level annual dollar or level percentage amortization contribution computed under item (v) must be calculated using the interest assumption specified in subdivision 8 in effect after any applicable change, rounded to the nearest integral number of years, but not to exceed 30 years from the end of the plan year in which the determination of the established date for full funding using the procedure set forth in this clause is made and not to be less than the period of years beginning in the plan year in which the determination of the established date for full funding using the procedure set forth in this clause is made and ending by the date for full funding in effect before the change; and
- (vii) the period determined under item (vi) must be added to the date as of which the actuarial valuation was prepared and the date obtained is the new established date for full funding.
- (d) For the Minneapolis Employees Retirement Fund, the established date for full funding is June 30, 2020.
- (e) For the general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association, the established date for full funding is June 30, 2031.
- (f) For the Teachers Retirement Association, the established date for full funding is June 30, 2037.
- (g) For the correctional state employees retirement plan of the Minnesota State Retirement System, the established date for full funding is June 30, 2038.
- (h) For the judges retirement plan, the established date for full funding is June 30, 2038.
 - (i) For the public employees police and fire retirement plan, the established date for full funding is June 30, 2038.
 - (j) For the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association, the established date for full funding is June 30 of the 25th year from the valuation date. In addition to other requirements of this chapter, the annual actuarial valuation shall contain an exhibit indicating the funded ratio and the deficiency or sufficiency in annual contributions when comparing liabilities to the market value of the assets of the fund as of the close of the most recent fiscal year.
 - (k) <u>For the general state employees retirement plan of the Minnesota State</u> Retirement System, the established date for full funding is June 30, 2040.
 - (1) For the retirement plans for which the annual actuarial valuation indicates an excess of valuation assets over the actuarial accrued liability, the valuation assets in excess of the actuarial accrued liability must be recognized as a reduction in the current

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contribution requirements by an amount equal to the amortization of the excess expressed as a level percentage of pay over a 30-year period beginning anew with each annual actuarial valuation of the plan.

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EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 69. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 356.30, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

Subdivision 1. **Eligibility; computation of annuity.** (a) Notwithstanding any provisions of the laws governing the retirement plans enumerated in subdivision 3, a person who has met the qualifications of paragraph (b) may elect to receive a retirement annuity from each enumerated retirement plan in which the person has at least one-half year of allowable services based on the allowable services in each plan, subject to the

- year of allowable service, based on the allowable service in each plan, subject to the provisions of paragraph (c).
- (b) A person may receive, upon retirement, a retirement annuity from each enumerated retirement plan in which the person has at least one-half year of allowable service, and augmentation of a deferred annuity calculated at the appropriate rate under the laws governing each public pension plan or fund named in subdivision 3, based on the date of the person's initial entry into public employment from the date the person terminated all public service if:
- (1) the person has allowable service totaling an amount that allows the person to receive an annuity in any two or more of the enumerated plans;
- (2) the person has sufficient allowable service in total that equals or exceeds the applicable service credit vesting requirement of the retirement plan with the longest applicable service credit vesting requirement; and
- (2) (3) the person has not begun to receive an annuity from any enumerated plan or the person has made application for benefits from each applicable plan and the effective dates of the retirement annuity with each plan under which the person chooses to receive an annuity are within a one-year period.
- (c) The retirement annuity from each plan must be based upon the allowable service, accrual rates, and average salary in the applicable plan except as further specified or modified in the following clauses:
- (1) the laws governing annuities must be the law in effect on the date of termination from the last period of public service under a covered retirement plan with which the person earned a minimum of one-half year of allowable service credit during that employment;

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(2) the "average salary" on which the annuity from each covered plan in which the employee has credit in a formula plan must be based on the employee's highest five successive years of covered salary during the entire service in covered plans;

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- (3) the accrual rates to be used by each plan must be those percentages prescribed by each plan's formula as continued for the respective years of allowable service from one plan to the next, recognizing all previous allowable service with the other covered plans;
- (4) the allowable service in all the plans must be combined in determining eligibility for and the application of each plan's provisions in respect to reduction in the annuity amount for retirement prior to normal retirement age; and
- (5) the annuity amount payable for any allowable service under a nonformula plan of a covered plan must not be affected, but such service and covered salary must be used in the above calculation.
- (d) This section does not apply to any person whose final termination from the last public service under a covered plan was before May 1, 1975.
- (e) For the purpose of computing annuities under this section, the accrual rates used by any covered plan, except the public employees police and fire plan, the judges retirement fund, and the State Patrol retirement plan, must not exceed the percent specified in section 356.315, subdivision 4, per year of service for any year of service or fraction thereof. The formula percentage used by the judges retirement fund must not exceed the percentage rate specified in section 356.315, subdivision 8, per year of service for any year of service or fraction thereof. The accrual rate used by the public employees police and fire plan and the State Patrol retirement plan must not exceed the percentage rate specified in section 356.315, subdivision 6, per year of service for any year of service or fraction thereof. The accrual rate or rates used by the legislators retirement plan must not exceed 2.5 percent, but this limit does not apply to the adjustment provided under section 3A.02, subdivision 1, paragraph (c).
- (f) Any period of time for which a person has credit in more than one of the covered plans must be used only once for the purpose of determining total allowable service.
- (g) If the period of duplicated service credit is more than one-half year, or the person has credit for more than one-half year, with each of the plans, each plan must apply its formula to a prorated service credit for the period of duplicated service based on a fraction of the salary on which deductions were paid to that fund for the period divided by the total salary on which deductions were paid to all plans for the period.
- (h) If the period of duplicated service credit is less than one-half year, or when added to other service credit with that plan is less than one-half year, the service credit

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must be ignored and a refund of contributions made to the person in accord with that plan's refund provisions.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 70. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 356.302, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

- Subd. 3. **General employee plan eligibility requirements.** A disabled member of a covered retirement plan who has credit for allowable service in a combination of general employee retirement plans is entitled to a combined service disability benefit if the member:
- (1) is less than the normal retirement age on the date of the application for the disability benefit;
 - (2) has become totally and permanently disabled;

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- (3) has credit for allowable service in any combination of general employee retirement plans totaling at least three years the number of years required by the applicable retirement plan with the longest service credit requirement for disability benefit receipt;
- (4) has credit for at least one-half year of allowable service with the current general employee retirement plan before the commencement of the disability;
- (5) has at least three continuous years of allowable service credit by the general employee retirement plan or has at least a total of three years of allowable service credit by a combination of general employee retirement plans in a 72-month period during which no interruption of allowable service credit from a termination of employment exceeded 29 days; and
- (6) was not receiving a retirement annuity or disability benefit from any covered general employee retirement plan at the time of the commencement of the disability.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- Sec. 71. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 356.302, subdivision 4, is amended to read:
 - Subd. 4. **Public safety plan eligibility requirements.** A disabled member of a covered retirement plan who has credit for allowable service in a combination of public safety employee retirement plans is entitled to a combined service disability benefit if the member:
 - (1) has become occupationally disabled;
 - (2) has credit for allowable service in any combination of public safety employee retirement plans totaling at least one year the minimum period of service credit required by the applicable retirement plan with the longest service credit eligibility requirement for the

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receipt of a duty-related disability benefit if the disability is duty-related or totaling at least three years the minimum period of service credit required by the applicable retirement plan with the longest service credit eligibility requirement for a disability benefit that is not duty-related if the disability is not duty-related;

- (3) has credit for at least one-half year of allowable service with the current public safety employee retirement plan before the commencement of the disability; and
- (4) was not receiving a retirement annuity or disability benefit from any covered public safety employee retirement plan at the time of the commencement of the disability.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 72. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 356.302, subdivision 5, is amended to read:

Subd. 5. General and public safety plan eligibility requirements. A disabled member of a covered retirement plan who has credit for allowable service in a combination of both a public safety employee retirement plan and general employee retirement plan must meet the qualifying requirements in subdivisions 3 and 4 to receive a combined service disability benefit from the applicable general employee and public safety employee retirement plans, except that the person need only be a member of a covered retirement plan at the time of the commencement of the disability, that the person must have allowable service credit for the applicable retirement plan with the longest service credit eligibility requirement for the receipt of a disability benefit, and that the minimum allowable service requirements of subdivisions 3, clauses (3) and (5), and 4, clauses (3) and (4), may be met in any combination of covered retirement plans.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

- Sec. 73. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 356.303, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
- Subd. 2. **Entitlement; eligibility.** Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary governing a covered retirement plan, a person who is the survivor of a deceased member of a covered retirement plan may receive a combined service survivor benefit from each covered retirement plan in which the deceased member had credit for at least one-half year of allowable service if the deceased member:
- (1) had credit for sufficient allowable service in any combination of covered retirement plans to meet any the minimum allowable service credit requirement of the applicable covered retirement fund with the longest allowable service credit requirement for qualification for a survivor benefit or annuity;

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(2) had credit for at least one-half year of allowable service with the most recent 57.1 covered retirement plan before the date of death and was an active member of that covered 57.2 retirement plan on the date of death; and 57.3 (3) was not receiving a retirement annuity from any covered retirement plan on the 57.4 date of death. 57.5 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. 57.6 Sec. 74. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 356.315, subdivision 5, is amended to read: 57.7 Subd. 5. Correctional plan members. The applicable benefit accrual rate is 2.4 57.8 percent if employed as a correctional state employee before July 1, 2010, or 2.2 percent if 57.9 employed as a correctional state employee after June 30, 2010. 57.10 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. 57.11 57.12 Sec. 75. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 356.415, subdivision 1, is amended to read: 57.13 Subdivision 1. Annual postretirement adjustments; generally. (a) Except as 57.14 otherwise provided in subdivision 1a, 1b, 1c, 1d, or 1e, retirement annuity, disability 57.15 benefit, or survivor benefit recipients of a covered retirement plan are entitled to a 57.16 postretirement adjustment annually on January 1, as follows: 57.17 (1) a postretirement increase of 2.5 percent must be applied each year, effective 57.18 January 1, to the monthly annuity or benefit of each annuitant or benefit recipient who has 57.19 57.20 been receiving an annuity or a benefit for at least 12 full months prior to the January 1 increase; and 57.21 (2) for each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving an annuity or a 57.22 57.23 benefit amount for at least one full month, an annual postretirement increase of 1/12 of 2.5 percent for each month that the person has been receiving an annuity or benefit must be 57.24 applied, effective on January 1 following the calendar year in which the person has been 57.25 retired for less than 12 months. 57.26 (b) The increases provided by this section subdivision commence on January 1, 2010. 57.27 (c) An increase in annuity or benefit payments under this section must be made 57.28 automatically unless written notice is filed by the annuitant or benefit recipient with the 57.29 executive director of the covered retirement plan requesting that the increase not be made. 57.30 (d) The retirement annuity payable to a person who retires before becoming eligible 57.31 for Social Security benefits and who has elected the optional payment as provided in 57.32

section 353.29, subdivision 6, or 354.35 must be treated as the sum of a period certain

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retirement annuity and a life retirement annuity for the purposes of any postretirement adjustment. The period certain retirement annuity plus the life retirement annuity must be the annuity amount payable until age 62 for section 353.29, subdivision 6, or age 62, 65, or normal retirement age, as selected by the member at retirement, for an annuity amount payable under section 354.35. A postretirement adjustment granted on the period certain retirement annuity must terminate when the period certain retirement annuity terminates.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 76. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 356.415, is amended by adding a subdivision to read:

System plans other than the State Patrol retirement plan. (a) Retirement annuity, disability benefit, or survivor benefit recipients of the legislators retirement plan, the general state employees retirement plan, the correctional state employees retirement plan, the elected state officers retirement plan, the unclassified state employees retirement program, and the judges retirement plan are entitled to a postretirement adjustment annually on January 1, as follows:

(1) a postretirement increase of two percent must be applied each year, effective on January 1, to the monthly annuity or benefit of each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving an annuity or a benefit for at least 18 full months before the January 1 increase; and

- (2) for each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving an annuity or a benefit for at least six full months, an annual postretirement increase of 1/12 of two percent for each month that the person has been receiving an annuity or benefit must be applied, effective January 1, following the calendar year in which the person has been retired for at least six months, but has been retired for less than 18 months.
- (b) The increases provided by this subdivision commence on January 1, 2011. Increases under this subdivision for the general state employees retirement plan, the correctional state employees retirement plan, or the judges retirement plan terminate on December 31 of the calendar year in which the actuarial valuation prepared by the approved actuary under sections 356.214 and 356.215 and the standards for actuarial work promulgated by the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement indicates that the market value of assets of the retirement plan equals or exceeds 90 percent of the actuarial accrued liability of the retirement plan and increases under subdivision 1 recommence after that date. Increases under this subdivision for the legislators retirement plan or the elected state officers retirement plan terminate on December 31 of the calendar year in

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which the actuarial valuation prepared by the approved actuary under sections 356.214 and 356.215 and the standards for actuarial work promulgated by the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement indicates that the market value of assets of the general state employees retirement plan equals or exceeds 90 percent of the actuarial accrued liability of the retirement plan and increases under subdivision 1 recommence after that date. (c) An increase in annuity or benefit payments under this subdivision must be made automatically unless written notice is filed by the annuitant or benefit recipient with the executive director of the applicable covered retirement plan requesting that the increase not be made. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. Sec. 77. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 356.415, is amended by adding a subdivision to read: Subd. 1b. Annual postretirement adjustments; general employees retirement plan and local government correctional retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association. (a) Retirement annuity, disability benefit, or survivor benefit recipients of the general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association and the local government correctional service retirement plan are entitled to a postretirement adjustment annually on January 1, as follows: (1) for January 1, 2011, and each successive January 1 until funding stability is restored for the applicable retirement plan, a postretirement increase of one percent must be applied each year, effective on January 1, to the monthly annuity or benefit amount of each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving an annuity or benefit for at least 12 full months as of the current June 30; (2) for January 1, 2011, and each successive January 1 until funding stability is restored for the applicable retirement plan, for each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving an annuity or a benefit for at least one full month, but less than 12 full months as of the current June 30, an annual postretirement increase of 1/12 of one percent for each month the person has been receiving an annuity or benefit must be applied; (3) for each January 1 following the restoration of funding stability for the applicable retirement plan, a postretirement increase of 2.5 percent must be applied each year, effective January 1, to the monthly annuity or benefit amount of each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving an annuity or benefit for at least 12 full months as of the current June 30; and (4) for each January 1 following restoration of funding stability for the applicable

retirement plan, for each annuity or benefit recipient who has been receiving an annuity or

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a benefit for at least one full month, but less than 12 full months as of the current June 60.1 30, an annual postretirement increase of 1/12 of 2.5 percent for each month the person 60.2 has been receiving an annuity or benefit must be applied. 60.3 (b) Funding stability is restored when the market value of assets of the applicable 60.4 retirement plan equals or exceeds 90 percent of the actuarial accrued liabilities of the 60.5 applicable plan in the most recent prior actuarial valuation prepared under section 356.215 60.6 and the standards for actuarial work by the approved actuary retained by the Public 60.7 Employees Retirement Association under section 356.214. 60.8 (c) If, after applying the increase as provided for in paragraph (a), clauses (3) 60.9 and (4), the market value of the applicable retirement plan is determined in the next 60.10 subsequent actuarial valuation prepared under section 356.215 to be less than 90 percent 60.11 of the actuarial accrued liability of any of the applicable Public Employees Retirement 60.12 Association plans, the increase provided in paragraph (a), clauses (1) and (2), are to be 60.13 applied as of the next successive January until funding stability is again restored. 60.14 60.15 (d) An increase in annuity or benefit payments under this section must be made automatically unless written notice is filed by the annuitant or benefit recipient with the 60.16 executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association requesting that the 60.17 increase not be made. 60.18 (e) The retirement annuity payable to a person who retires before becoming eligible 60.19 for Social Security benefits and who has elected the optional payment, as provided in 60.20 section 353.29, subdivision 6, must be treated as the sum of a period-certain retirement 60.21 annuity and a life retirement annuity for the purposes of any postretirement adjustment. 60.22 The period-certain retirement annuity plus the life retirement annuity must be the 60.23 annuity amount payable until age 62 for section 353.29, subdivision 6. A postretirement 60.24 adjustment granted on the period-certain retirement annuity must terminate when the 60.25 period-certain retirement annuity terminates. 60.26 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment. 60.27 Sec. 78. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 356.415, is amended by adding 60.28 a subdivision to read: 60.29 Subd. 1c. Annual postretirement adjustments; PERA-P&F. (a) Retirement 60.30 annuity, disability benefit, or survivor benefit recipients of the public employees police 60.31 and fire retirement plan are entitled to a postretirement adjustment annually on January 60.32

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61.1	(1) for January 1, 2011, and for January 1, 2012, for each annuitant or benefit
61.2	recipient who has been receiving the annuity or benefit for at least 12 full months as of the
61.3	immediate preceding June 30, an amount equal to one percent in each year;
61.4	(2) for January 1, 2011, and for January 1, 2012, for each annuitant or benefit
61.5	recipient who has been receiving the annuity or benefit for at least one full month as of the
61.6	immediate preceding June 30, an amount equal to 1/12 of one percent in each year;
61.7	(3) for January 1, 2013, and each successive January 1 that follows the loss of
61.8	funding stability as defined under paragraph (b) until funding stability as defined under
61.9	paragraph (b) is again restored, for each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been
61.10	receiving the annuity or benefit for at least 12 full months as of the immediate preceding
61.11	June 30, an amount equal to the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for
61.12	urban wage earners and clerical workers all items index published by the Bureau of Labor
61.13	Statistics of the United States Department of Labor between the immediate preceding June
61.14	30 and the June 30 occurring 12 months previous, but not to exceed 1.5 percent;
61.15	(4) for January 1, 2013, and each successive January 1 that follows the loss of
61.16	funding stability as defined under paragraph (b) until funding stability as defined under
61.17	paragraph (b) is again restored, for each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been
61.18	receiving the annuity or benefit for at least one full month as of the immediate preceding
61.19	June 30, an amount equal to 1/12 of the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index
61.20	for urban wage earners and clerical workers-all items published by the Bureau of Labor
61.21	Statistics of the United States Department of Labor between the immediate preceding
61.22	June 30 and the June 30 occurring 12 months previous for each full month of annuity
61.23	or benefit receipt, but not to exceed 1/12 of 1.5 percent for each full month of annuity
61.24	or benefit receipt;
61.25	(5) for each January 1 following the restoration of funding stability as defined
61.26	under paragraph (b) and during the continuation of funding stability as defined under
61.27	paragraph (b), for each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving the annuity
61.28	or benefit for at least 12 full months as of the immediate preceding June 30, an amount
61.29	equal to the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for urban wage earners and
61.30	clerical workers-all items published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States
61.31	Department of Labor between the immediate preceding June 30 and the June 30 occurring
61.32	12 months previous, but not to exceed 2.5 percent; and
61.33	(6) for each January 1 following the restoration of funding stability as defined under
61.34	paragraph (b) and during the continuation of funding stability as defined under paragraph
61.35	(b), for each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving the annuity or benefit
61.36	for at least one full month as of the immediate preceding June 30, an amount equal to

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62.1	1/12 of the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for urban wage earners and
62.2	clerical workers-all items published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States
62.3	Department of Labor between the immediate preceding June 30 and the June 30 occurring
62.4	12 months previous for each full month of annuity or benefit receipt, but not to exceed
62.5	1/12 of 2.5 percent for each full month of annuity or benefit receipt.
62.6	(b) Funding stability is restored when the market value of assets of the public
62.7	employees police and fire retirement plan equals or exceeds 90 percent of the actuarial
62.8	accrued liabilities of the applicable plan in the most recent prior actuarial valuation
62.9	prepared under section 356.215 and under the standards for actuarial work of the
62.10	<u>Legislative Commission and Pensions and Retirement by the approved actuary retained by</u>
62.11	the Public Employees Retirement Association under section 356.214.
62.12	(c) An increase in annuity or benefit payments under this section must be made
62.13	automatically unless written notice is filed by the annuitant or benefit recipient with the
62.14	executive director of the Public Employees Retirement Association requesting that the
62.15	increase not be made.
62.16	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
62.17	Sec. 79. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 356.415, is amended by adding
62.18	a subdivision to read:
62.19	Subd. 1d. Teachers Retirement Association annual postretirement adjustments.
62.20	(a) Retirement annuity, disability benefit, or survivor benefit recipients of the Teachers
62.21	Retirement Association are entitled to a postretirement adjustment annually on January
62.22	1, as follows:
62.23	(1) for January 1, 2011, and January 1, 2012, no postretirement increase is payable;
62.24	(2) for January 1, 2013, and each successive January 1 until funding stability is
62.25	restored, a postretirement increase of two percent must be applied each year, effective on
62.26	January 1, to the monthly annuity or benefit amount of each annuitant or benefit recipient
62.27	who has been receiving an annuity or a benefit for at least 18 full months prior to the
62.28	January 1 increase;
62.29	(3) for January 1, 2013, and each successive January 1 until funding stability is
62.30	restored, for each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving an annuity or
62.31	a benefit for at least six full months, an annual postretirement increase of 1/12 of two
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	percent for each month the person has been receiving an annuity or benefit must be
62.33	applied, effective January 1, following the year in which the person has been retired

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63.1	(4) for each January 1 following the restoration of funding stability, a postretirement
63.2	increase of 2.5 percent must be applied each year, effective January 1, to the monthly
63.3	annuity or benefit amount of each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving an
63.4	annuity or a benefit for at least 18 full months prior to the January 1 increase; and
63.5	(5) for each January 1 following the restoration of funding stability, for each
63.6	annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving an annuity or a benefit for at least
63.7	six full months, an annual postretirement increase of 1/12 of 2.5 percent for each month
63.8	the person has been receiving an annuity or benefit must be applied, effective January 1,
63.9	following the year in which the person has been retired for less than 12 months.
63.10	(b) Funding stability is restored when the market value of assets of the Teachers
63.11	Retirement Association equals or exceeds 90 percent of the actuarial accrued liabilities of
63.12	the Teachers Retirement Association in the most recent prior actuarial valuation prepared
63.13	under section 356.215 and the standards for actuarial work by the approved actuary
63.14	retained by the Teachers Retirement Association under section 356.214.
63.15	(c) An increase in annuity or benefit payments under this section must be made
63.16	automatically unless written notice is filed by the annuitant or benefit recipient with the
63.17	executive director of the Teachers Retirement Association requesting that the increase
63.18	not be made.
63.19	(d) The retirement annuity payable to a person who retires before becoming eligible
63.20	for Social Security benefits and who has elected the optional payment as provided in
63.21	section 354.35 must be treated as the sum of a period-certain retirement annuity and a life
63.22	retirement annuity for the purposes of any postretirement adjustment. The period-certain
63.23	retirement annuity plus the life retirement annuity must be the annuity amount payable
63.24	until age 62, 65, or normal retirement age, as selected by the member at retirement, for an
63.25	annuity amount payable under section 354.35. A postretirement adjustment granted on
63.26	the period-certain retirement annuity must terminate when the period-certain retirement
63.27	annuity terminates.
63.28	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
63.29	Sec. 80. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 356.415, is amended by adding
63.30	a subdivision to read:
63.31	Subd. 1e. Annual postretirement adjustments; State Patrol retirement plan.
63.32	(a) Retirement annuity, disability benefit, or survivor benefit recipients of the State Patrol
63.33	retirement plan are entitled to a postretirement adjustment annually on January 1, as
63.34	<u>follows:</u>

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64.1	(1) a postretirement increase of 1.5 percent must be applied each year, effective on
64.2	January 1, to the monthly annuity or benefit of each annuitant or benefit recipient who
64.3	has been receiving an annuity or a benefit for at least 18 full months before the January 1
64.4	increase; and
64.5	(2) for each annuitant or benefit recipient who has been receiving an annuity or a
64.6	benefit for at least six full months, an annual postretirement increase of 1/12 of 1.5 percent
64.7	for each month that the person has been receiving an annuity or benefit must be applied,
64.8	effective January 1, following the calendar year in which the person has been retired for at
64.9	least six months, but has been retired for less than 18 months.
64.10	(b) The increases provided by this subdivision commence on January 1, 2011.
64.11	Increases under this subdivision for the State Patrol retirement plan terminate on December
64.12	31 of the calendar year in which the actuarial valuation prepared by the approved actuary
64.13	under sections 356.214 and 356.215 and the standards for actuarial work promulgated by
64.14	the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement indicates that the market value of
64.15	assets of the retirement plan equals or exceeds 90 percent of the actuarial accrued liability
64.16	of the retirement plan and increases under subdivision 1 recommence after that date.
64.17	(c) An increase in annuity or benefit payments under this subdivision must be made
64.18	automatically unless written notice is filed by the annuitant or benefit recipient with the
64.19	executive director of the applicable covered retirement plan requesting that the increase
64.20	not be made.
64.21	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
64.22	Sec. 81. Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 356.47, subdivision 3, is amended to read:
64.23	Subd. 3. Payment. (a) Beginning one year after the reemployment withholding
64.24	period ends relating to the reemployment that gave rise to the limitation, and the filing of a
64.25	written application, the retired member is entitled to the payment, in a lump sum, of the
64.26	value of the person's amount under subdivision 2, plus annual compound interest at. For

subd. 3. **Payment.** (a) Beginning one year after the reemployment withholding period ends relating to the reemployment that gave rise to the limitation, and the filing of a written application, the retired member is entitled to the payment, in a lump sum, of the value of the person's amount under subdivision 2, plus <u>annual compound</u> interest <u>at.</u> For the general state employees retirement plan, the correctional state employees retirement plan, the general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association, the public employees police and fire retirement plan, the local government correctional employees retirement plan, and the teachers retirement plan, the annual interest rate is six percent from the date on which the amount was deducted from the retirement annuity to the date of payment or until January 1, 2011, whichever is earlier, and no interest after January 1, 2011. For the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association, the annual interest is six percent from the date on which the amount was deducted from the retirement annuity to the date of payment or until June 30, 2010, whichever is earlier, and

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no interest after June 30, 2010. For the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association, the annual interest is the compound annual rate of six percent from the date that the amount was deducted from the retirement annuity to the date of payment.

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- (b) The written application must be on a form prescribed by the chief administrative officer of the applicable retirement plan.
- (c) If the retired member dies before the payment provided for in paragraph (a) is made, the amount is payable, upon written application, to the deceased person's surviving spouse, or if none, to the deceased person's designated beneficiary, or if none, to the deceased person's estate.
- (d) In lieu of the direct payment of the person's amount under subdivision 2, on or after the payment date under paragraph (a), if the federal Internal Revenue Code so permits, the retired member may elect to have all or any portion of the payment amount under this section paid in the form of a direct rollover to an eligible retirement plan as defined in section 402(c) of the federal Internal Revenue Code that is specified by the retired member. If the retired member dies with a balance remaining payable under this section, the surviving spouse of the retired member, or if none, the deceased person's designated beneficiary, or if none, the administrator of the deceased person's estate may elect a direct rollover under this paragraph.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 82. Minnesota Statutes 2009 Supplement, section 423A.02, subdivision 3, is amended to read:

Subd. 3. Reallocation of amortization or supplementary amortization state aid. (a) Seventy percent of the difference between \$5,720,000 and the current year amortization aid and supplemental amortization aid distributed under subdivisions 1 and 1a that is not distributed for any reason to a municipality for use by a local police or salaried fire relief association must be distributed by the commissioner of revenue according to this paragraph. The commissioner shall distribute 50 percent of the amounts derived under this paragraph to the Teachers Retirement Association, ten percent to the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association, and 40 percent to the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association to fund the unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities of the respective funds. These payments shall be made on or before June 30 each fiscal year. If the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association becomes fully funded, its eligibility for this aid ceases. Amounts remaining in the undistributed balance account at the end of the biennium if aid eligibility ceases cancel to the general fund.

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(b) In order to receive amortization and supplementary amortization aid under paragraph (a), Independent School District No. 625, St. Paul, must make contributions to the St. Paul Teachers Retirement Fund Association in accordance with the following schedule:

66.5	Fiscal Year	Amount
66.6	1996	\$ 0
66.7	1997	\$ 0
66.8	1998	\$ 200,000
66.9	1999	\$ 400,000
66.10	2000	\$ 600,000
66.11	2001 and thereafter	\$ 800,000

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(c) Special School District No. 1, Minneapolis, and the city of Minneapolis must each make contributions to the Teachers Retirement Association in accordance with the following schedule:

66.15 66.16	Fiscal Year	City amount		School district amount	
66.17	1996	\$	0	\$	0
66.18	1997	\$	0	\$	0
66.19	1998	\$	250,000	\$	250,000
66.20	1999	\$	400,000	\$	400,000
66.21	2000	\$	550,000	\$	550,000
66.22	2001	\$	700,000	\$	700,000
66.23	2002	\$	850,000	\$	850,000
66.24	2003 and thereafter	\$	1,000,000	\$	1,000,000

(d) Money contributed under paragraph (a) and either paragraph (b) or (c), as applicable, must be credited to a separate account in the applicable teachers retirement fund and may not be used in determining any benefit increases. The separate account terminates for a fund when the aid payments to the fund under paragraph (a) cease.

(e) (d) Thirty percent of the difference between \$5,720,000 and the current year amortization aid and supplemental amortization aid under subdivisions 1 and 1a that is not distributed for any reason to a municipality for use by a local police or salaried firefighter relief association must be distributed under section 69.021, subdivision 7, paragraph (d), as additional funding to support a minimum fire state aid amount for volunteer firefighter relief associations.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

Sec. 83. <u>LOCAL RETIREMENT FUND INVESTMENT AUTHORITIES</u> STUDY.

Sec. 83.

67.1	A study group consisting of representatives from pension plans subject to Minnesota
67.2	Statutes, section 356A.06, subdivision 6 or 7, shall be convened by the state auditor to
67.3	study investment-related provisions, authorities, and limitations under Minnesota Statutes,
67.4	chapter 356A, and related sections of other chapters. Administrative support for the
67.5	study group shall be provided by the state auditor. The study group shall prepare a
67.6	report to include an assessment of the effectiveness of current statutory prescriptions,
67.7	options for change, and recommendations for consideration by the governor and the
67.8	legislature during the 2011 legislative session. The report will be provided no later than
67.9	January 15, 2011, to the executive director of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and
67.10	Retirement, the chair and ranking minority caucus member of the senate State and Local
67.11	Government Operations and Oversight Committee, and the chair and ranking minority
67.12	caucus member of the house State and Local Government Operations Reform, Technology
67.13	and Elections Committee.
67.14	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
67.15	Sec. 84. BYLAW AUTHORIZATION.
67.16	Consistent with the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 354A.12,
67.17	subdivision 4, the board of the Duluth Teachers Retirement Fund Association is authorized
67.18	to revise the bylaws or articles of incorporation so that the requirements of this act apply
67.19	to the old law coordinated program.
67.20	EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.
67.21	Sec. 85. REPEALER.
67.22	Minnesota Statutes 2008, section 354A.27, subdivision 1, is repealed.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective July 1, 2010.

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