CHAPTER 421 - S.F.No. 786

An act relating to retirement; volunteer firefighters relief associations; authorizing relief associations to increase retirement benefit and service pension amounts without municipal ratification in certain instances; amending Minnesota Statutes 1980, Sections 69.772, Subdivision 6; 69.773, Subdivision 6; and 424A.02, Subdivision 10.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1980, Section 69.772, Subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. REQUIREMENT FOR MUNICIPAL RATIFICATION FOR PLAN AMENDMENTS. If the special fund of the relief association does not have a surplus over full funding pursuant to subdivision 3, clause (2), subclause (e), or if the municipality is required to provide financial support to the special fund of the relief association pursuant to this section, the adoption of or any amendment to the articles of incorporation or bylaws of a relief association which increases or otherwise affects the retirement coverage provided by or the service pensions or retirement benefits payable from the special fund of any relief association to which this section applies shall not be effective until it is ratified by the governing body of the municipality in which the relief association is locatedand the officers of a relief association shall not seek municipal ratification prior to preparing and certifying an estimate of the expected increase in the accrued liability and annual accruing liability of the relief association attributable to the amendment. If the special fund of the relief association has a surplus over full funding pursuant to subdivision 3, clause (2), subclause (e), and if the municipality is not required to provide financial support to the special fund of the relief association pursuant to this section, the relief association may adopt or amend its articles of incorporation or bylaws which increase or otherwise affect the retirement coverage provided by or the service pensions or retirement benefits payable from the special fund of the relief association which shall be effective without municipal ratification so long as this does not cause the amount of the resulting increase in the accrued liability of the special fund of the relief association to exceed 90 percent of the amount of the prior surplus over full funding and this does not result in the financial requirements of the special fund of the relief association exceeding the expected amount of the future fire state aid to be received by the relief association as determined by the board of trustees following the preparation of an estimate of the expected increase in the accrued liability and annual accruing liability of the relief association attributable to the change. If a relief association adopts or amends its articles of incorporation or bylaws without municipal ratification pursuant to this subdivision, and, subsequent to the amendment or adoption, the financial requirements of the special fund of the relief association pursuant to this section are such so as to require financial support from the municipality, the provision which was implemented

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without municipal ratification shall no longer be effective without municipal ratification and any service pensions or retirement benefits payable after that date shall be paid only in accordance with the articles of incorporation or bylaws as amended or adopted with municipal ratification.

Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1980, Section 69.773, Subdivision 6, is amended to read:

Subd. 6. REQUIREMENT FOR MUNICIPAL RATIFICATION FOR PLAN AMENDMENTS. If the special fund of the relief association does not have a surplus over full funding pursuant to subdivision 4, or if the municipality is required to provide financial support to the special fund of the relief association pursuant to this section, the adoption of or any amendment to the articles of incorporation or bylaws of a relief association which increases or otherwise affects the retirement coverage provided by or the service pensions or retirement benefits payable from the special fund of any relief association to which this section applies shall not be effective until it is ratified by the governing body of the municipality in which the relief association is located. If the special fund of the relief association has a surplus over full funding pursuant to subdivision 4, and if the municipality is not required to provide financial support to the special fund of the relief association pursuant to this section, the relief association may adopt or amend its articles of incorporation or bylaws which increase or otherwise affect the retirement coverage provided by or the service pensions or retirement benefits payable from the special fund of the relief association which shall be effective without municipal ratification so long as this does not cause the amount of the resulting increase in the accrued liability of the special fund of the relief association to exceed 90 percent of the amount of the prior surplus over full funding and this does not result in the financial requirements of the special fund of the relief association exceeding the expected amount of the future fire state aid to be received by the relief association as determined by the board of trustees following the preparation of an updated actuarial valuation including the proposed change or an estimate of the expected actuarial impact of the proposed change prepared by the actuary of the relief association. If a relief association adopts or amends its articles of incorporation or bylaws without municipal ratification pursuant to this subdivision, and, subsequent to the amendment or adoption, the financial requirements of the special fund of the relief association pursuant to this section are such so as to require financial support from the municipality, the provision which was implemented without municipal ratification shall no longer be effective without municipal ratification and any service pensions or retirement benefits payable after that date shall be paid only in accordance with the articles of incorporation or bylaws as amended or adopted with municipal ratification.

Sec. 3. Minnesota Statutes 1980, Section 424A.02, Subdivision 10, is amended to read:

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Subd. 10. LOCAL APPROVAL OF BYLAW AMENDMENTS; FIL-ING REQUIREMENTS. Each relief association or account to which this section applies shall file a complete current copy of its governing bylaws with the commissioner of insurance on or before July 1, 1980 and shall immediately file a revised copy of its governing bylaws with the commissioner of insurance upon the approval of any amendment to its governing bylaws granted by the governing body of the municipality in which the fire department to which the relief association or account is directly associated or by the governing bodies of all municipalities with which the independent nonprofit firefighting corporation of which the relief association is a subsidiary has contracted whichever is applicable. Failure of the relief association to file a copy of the bylaws or any bylaw amendments with the commissioner of insurance shall disqualify the municipality from the distribution of any future fire state aid until this filing requirement has been completed. If the special fund of the relief association does not have a surplus over full funding pursuant to section 69.772, subdivision 3, clause (2), subclause (e), or 69.773, subdivision 4, and if the municipality is required to provide financial support to the special fund of the relief association pursuant to section 69.772 or 69.773 in the event that the fire department to which the relief association or account is directly associated is a municipal fire department, or if the relief association is a subsidiary of a nonprofit firefighting corporation, no bylaw amendment which would affect the amount of, the manner of payment of, or the conditions for qualification for service pensions or other retirement benefits or disbursements other than administrative expenses authorized pursuant to section 69.80 payable from the special fund of the relief association or account shall be effective until it has been ratified by the governing body of the municipality in which the fire department to which the relief association or account is directly associated or by the governing bodies of all municipalities with which the independent nonprofit firefighting corporation of which the relief association is a subsidiary or has contracted, whichever is applicable. If the fire department with which the relief association is directly associated is a municipal fire department and the municipality is not required to provide financial support to the special fund of the relief association pursuant to this section, the relief association may adopt or amend its articles of incorporation or bylaws which increase or otherwise affect the retirement coverage provided by or the service pensions or retirement benefits payable from the special fund of the relief association shall be effective without municipal ratification so long as this does not cause the amount of the resulting increase in the accrued liability of the special fund of the relief association to exceed 90 percent of the amount of the prior surplus over full funding and this does not result in the financial requirements of the special fund of the relief association exceeding the expected amount of the future fire state aid to be received by the relief association as determined by the board of trustees following the preparation of an estimate of the expected increase in the accrued liability and annual accruing liability of the relief association attributable to the change if the relief association pays only a lump sum service pension or an updated actuarial valuation including the proposed

change or an estimate of the expected actuarial impact of the proposed change prepared by the actuary of the relief association if the relief association pays a monthly benefit service pension. If a relief association adopts or amends its articles of incorporation or bylaws without municipal ratification pursuant to this subdivision, and, subsequent to the amendment or adoption, the financial requirements of the special fund of the relief association pursuant to this section are such so as to require financial support from the municipality, the provision which was implemented without municipal ratification shall no longer be effective without municipal ratification and any service pensions or retirement benefits payable after that date shall be paid only in accordance with the articles of incorporation or bylaws as amended or adopted with municipal ratification.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This act is effective July 1, 1982.

Approved March 15, 1982

CHAPTER 422 - S.F.No. 1613

An act relating to state departments and agencies; regulating the disposition of certain land within the capitol area; amending Minnesota Statutes 1981 Supplement, Section 15.50, Subdivision 6.

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

- Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1981 Supplement, Section 15.50, Subdivision 6, is amended to read:
- Subd. 6. (a) The city of Saint Paul shall have the power to convey without compensation therefor to the state any property owned by it within the boundaries of the capitol area pursuant to the plan adopted by the board; and the state shall have the authority to transfer to the city of Saint Paul without compensation any property acquired by it for the purposes of Laws 1969, Chapter 1150, which lies within the street lines of the streets to be established as a part of the city's portion of said plan.
- (b) The tax-forfeited lands which are held by the state in trust for the several taxing subdivisions of the state and which are within the boundaries of the capitol area as fixed by the plan recommended to the governor by the governor's advisory committee or by the plan adopted by the board as provided in Laws 1969, Chapter 1150, shall not, except as provided in this subdivision, be subject to sale or repurchase under any act, now in effect or hereafter enacted unless it shall be expressly provided in such act that the provisions of Laws 1969, Chapter 1150, shall be superseded, modified or repealed.

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