

43:16A-6.1

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 43:16A-6.1

(PFRS members--
heart transplants--
-allow retirement
with benefits)

LAWS OF: 1989

CHAPTER: 103

Bill No: S2755

Sponsor(s): Orechio

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1988 Senate No. 2755

1 **AN ACT** concerning special disability retirement and health
benefits for certain members of the Police and Firemen's
3 Retirement System of New Jersey and supplementing P.L.1944,
c.255 (C. 43:16A-1 et seq.) and P.L.1967, c.49 (C.52:14-17.25
5 et seq.).

7 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the
State of New Jersey:

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11 member, any member, under 55 years of age, who has had five or
more years of creditable service and who has received a heart
13 transplant may be retired, not less than one month next following
the date of filing the application, on a special disability
15 retirement allowance.

b. Upon retirement for special disability, a member shall
17 receive a special disability retirement allowance which shall
consist of:

19 (1) An annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of the
member's aggregate contributions and

21 (2) A pension in the amount which, when added to the
member's annuity, will provide a total retirement allowance of
23 50% of final compensation.

c. Upon the receipt of proper proofs of the death of a member
25 who has retired on a special disability retirement allowance,
there shall be paid to the member's beneficiary, an amount equal
27 to 3½ times the compensation upon which contributions by the
member to the annuity savings fund were based in the last year of
29 creditable service; provided, however, that if the death shall
occur after the member shall have attained 55 years of age, the
31 amount payable shall equal ½ of the compensation instead of 3½
times the compensation.

33 2. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the
employer of a member of the Police and Firemen's Retirement

1 System of New Jersey who retires under the provisions of special
2 disability retirement pursuant to section 1 of P.L. ,
3 c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill)
4 shall pay the premium or periodic charges for a continuation of
5 all coverages provided to the member and any dependent of the
6 member under section 5 of P.L.1961, c.49 (C. 52:14-17.29) which
7 are in effect at the time of retirement.

8 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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22 Benefits Program which are in effect at the time of retirement.

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INTRODUCED AUGUST 4, 1988

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SENATE STATE GOVERNMENT, FEDERAL
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VETERANS' AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2755

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JANUARY 12, 1989

The Senate State Government, Federal and Interstate Relations and Veterans' Affairs Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 2755.

This bill permits a member of the Police and Firemen's Retirement System, under 55 years of age, who has five or more years of creditable service and who has received a heart transplant to retire on a special disability retirement allowance of 50% of final compensation.

The bill also stipulates that upon the death of a member who is 55 years of age or less and who has retired on a special disability retirement allowance, there shall be paid to the member's beneficiary an amount equal to 3 1/2 times the compensation upon which contributions by the member to the annuity savings fund were based in the last year of creditable service. If the death occurs after the member has attained 55 years of age, the amount payable shall equal 1/2 of the compensation.

The bill further provides that the employer of a member shall pay the premiums for the continuation of all coverages provided to the member and any dependent under the State Health Benefits Program which are in effect at the time of retirement.