

43:13-22.56

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 43:13-22.56

City employees--death
benefits--increase for
minor children

LAWS OF: 1985

CHAPTER: 281

Bill No: A2764

Sponsor(s): Cuprowski and others

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Committee: Assembly: State Government, Civil Service, Elections, Pensions
and Veterans Affairs.

Senate: -----

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Following statements are attached if available:

Sponsor statement: Yes (Below)

Committee statement: Assembly Yes

Senate No

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Following were printed:

Reports: No

Hearings: No

Sponsors' statement:

This bill amends section 7 of P.L. 1964, c. 275 (C. 43:13 - 22. 56) to increase the amount of death benefits that minor children of members of certain city employees retirement systems are entitled to receive from \$600.00 per annum to \$2,500.00 per annum.

ASSEMBLY, No. 2764

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED OCTOBER 22, 1984

By Assemblymen CUPROWSKI, VAINIERI, RANIERI,
LAROCCA, DORIA and CHARLES

AN ACT concerning death benefits paid to minor children of certain
municipal employees and amending P. L. 1964, c. 275.

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

1 1. Section 7 of P. L. 1964, c. 275 (C. 43:13-22.56) is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 7. Death benefits.

4 (a) Upon the death of a member in service who shall have paid
5 into the fund the full amount of his contributions and who shall
6 die as a result of injuries or illness received or incurred in the
7 performance of his duties or who shall have served in the employ
8 of the city for 20 or more years; or upon the death of a member
9 who shall have been retired and pensioned under this act.

10 A pension of \$2,500.00 per annum shall be paid to the surviving
11 widow, so long as she remains unmarried, surviving widower, so
12 long as he remains unmarried, minor children or dependent parents,
13 as the case may be. If the pension is payable to minor children,
14 no one of such children shall receive more than **[\$600.00]** *\$2,500.00*
15 per annum, nor shall a pension be paid to any such child after he
16 marries or reaches the age of 18 years.

17 (b) Upon the death of a member in service who shall have paid
18 into the fund the full amount of his contributions and who shall
19 die for causes other than injuries or illness received or incurred
20 in the performance of his duties and who shall have served in the
21 employ of the city for five or more years but less than 20 years.

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill
is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.
Matter printed in italics *thus* is new matter.

22 A pension in an amount equal to $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ of the member's final
23 salary for each year of his service shall be paid to the surviving
24 widow, so long as she remains unmarried, surviving widower, so
25 long as he remains unmarried, minor children or dependent parents,
26 as the case may be; provided, however, that in no instance shall
27 such pension exceed, in the aggregate, an amount equal to \$100.00
28 per annum for each year of the member's service. If the pension
29 is payable to minor children, no one of such children shall receive
30 more than ~~[\$600.00]~~ \$2,500.00 per annum, nor shall a pension be
31 paid to any such child after he marries or reaches the age of 18
32 years.

33 In the event a pension shall be payable as a result of the death
34 of a member in service and there are no eligible survivors at the
35 time of such member's death, an amount equal to such member's
36 contributions to the fund, without interest, shall be paid to his
37 estate.

38 If at the time of the death of a member in service the sole
39 eligible survivors of such member are minor children and the total
40 of the aggregate payments on account of such children shall be an
41 amount which is less than such member's contributions to the fund,
42 without interest, the balance of such amount shall be payable to
43 the guardian of such minor children.

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill amends section 7 of P. L. 1964, c. 275 (C. 43:13-22.56)
to increase the amount of death benefits that minor children of
members of certain city employees' retirement systems are entitled
to receive from \$600.00 per annum to \$2,500.00 per annum.

ASSEMBLY STATE GOVERNMENT, CIVIL SERVICE,
ELECTIONS, PENSIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 2764

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: APRIL 29, 1985

This bill amends the law governing municipal retirement systems in cities of the first class having a population of less than 300,000.

Under that law, upon the death of an active member of the system, if the death occurs as the result of a service-connected injury or after 20 years' service, or upon the death of a retired member of the system, a pension is payable to each minor child of the deceased member or retired member. At present, the statutory amount of the pension is \$600.00 per year; the bill would raise this amount to \$2,500.00 per year.

COMMITTEE ACTION

The committee reported the bill favorably.



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Release: FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 1985

Governor Thomas H. Kean today signed legislation increasing the amount of funds which can be expended for funeral and burial expenses for a foster child or one receiving welfare assistance.

The legislation, A-2846, was sponsored by Assemblywoman Marlene Ford, D-Ocean.

Currently, the maximum payment for such expenses is \$550. The bill, effective in 30 days, increases that amount to a sum based on the average cost of a funeral and burial in the area.

Other bills signed by Kean include:

A-1929, sponsored by Assemblyman Anthony Marsella, D-Camden, to permit the Department of Energy to expend \$1 million to renovate public buildings in a program to reduce energy consumption. The \$1 million is in unexpended bond funds originally allocated to conduct energy audits of State buildings.

A-1963, sponsored by Assemblyman John Doyle, D-Ocean, to require designated parking spaces for handicapped persons at multiple dwellings with handicapped residents.

A-2764, sponsored by Assemblyman Paul Cuprowski, D-Hudson, to increase the annual pension of a minor child of a deceased member of the Jersey City Retirement System from \$600 to \$2,500.

A-3762, sponsored by Assemblyman Joseph Charles, D-Hudson, to reactivate the pension account of a municipal court judge in Union City, who had retired from public service and was re-employed within four years.

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