



the Article 3 pension was earned. The bill states that the foregoing exclusion in IMRF shall be in force regardless of whether the person in question is considered an employee of the police department or is eligible for inclusion in the municipality's Article 3 fund.

*Downstate Fire Article – Determination of Disability*

HA 1 to SB 3119 amends the provision of the Downstate Fire Article of the Pension Code dealing with determinations of disability, specifically with regard to medical examinations for the condition of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Current law states that a disability pension shall not be paid until the firefighter has been examined by 3 physicians selected by the pension board, and, upon the award of a disability pension, the firefighter must undergo an annual physical each year until attainment of age 50. Under HA 1, a medical examination of a firefighter receiving a disability for PTSD related to his or her service as a firefighter shall not be made if the firefighter has provided to the board documentation approving discontinuance of the medical exam from at least 2 physicians. Under the amendment, at least 4 members of the board must have voted to allow the firefighter to discontinue the medical examination.

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