## COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT FORECASTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

## PENSION IMPACT NOTE

## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

BILL NO: SB 1604

February 14, 2011

SPONSOR(S): Mulroe

SYSTEM(S): Chicago Police Pension Fund

FISCAL IMPACT: The fiscal impact of SB 1604 cannot be determined, as the number of officers who would recover court costs and litigation expenses is unknown.

<u>SUBJECT MATTER</u>: SB 1604 amends the Chicago Police Article of the Illinois Pension Code to allow a prevailing police officer to recover court costs and litigation expenses, in cases during which a denial of duty disability or occupational disease disability benefits results in an action of administrative review challenging the denial of those benefits.

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<u>COMMENT</u>: The Chicago Police Article of the Pension Code specified that the provisions of the Administrative Review Law apply to and govern all proceedings for the judicial review of the final administrative decisions of the Fund's Board of Trustees. SB 1604 adds a further provision that allows a prevailing police officer to recover court costs and litigation expenses, in cases during which a denial of duty disability or occupational disease disability benefits results in an action of administrative review challenging the denial of those benefits.

SB 1604 amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement.

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