## COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT FORECASTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

## PENSION IMPACT NOTE

## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

BILL NO: HB 4742

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SPONSOR(S): Moffitt

SYSTEM(S): Downstate Police and Downstate Fire

FISCAL IMPACT: This bill may provide an indiscernibly small relief to service fees paid by downstate Police and Fire funds for yearly ethics training.

<u>SUBJECT MATTER</u>: HB 4742 amends the general provisions article of the Illinois Pension Code to address the ethics training for trustees of downstate Police and Firefighter pension funds. This bill extends the period of the initial training to 2 years and makes subsequent trainings biannual.

FISCAL IMPACT: This bill may provide an indiscernibly small relief to service fees paid by downstate Police and Fire funds for yearly ethics training.

<u>COMMENT</u>: As of current law, trustees of downstate Police and Firefighter pension funds must complete 32 hours of ethics training in their first year at the position. Trustees must also complete 16 hours of ethics training every year thereafter.

HB 4742 requires the initial 32 hours be completed within the first 2 years of employment, 8 hours of which must be completed in the first year. Subsequent training periods will cover a 2-year period and will consist of 16 hours of total training. 4 hours of each subsequent training must be completed in the first year of the period. Additionally, this training now fulfills the 8 hours of ethics training required of board members of all funds.

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