COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT FORECASTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

PENSION IMPACT NOTE

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

BILL NO: HB 6292, as Amended by HA 2

April 19, 2016

SPONSOR (S): Fine

SYSTEM(S): Cook County Pension Fund (CCPF)

FISCAL IMPACT: According to CCPF, administrative costs would be reduced slightly by preventing duplicate administrative processes. Therefore, the fiscal impact would be positive but minimal.

<u>SUBJECT MATTER</u>: HB 6292, as amended by HA 2, amends the Cook County Article of the Illinois Pension Code to specify cases in which the opinion of a licensed physician would not be needed to establish proof of ordinary or duty disability.

<u>COMMENT</u>: Under the Cook County Article of the Illinois Pension Code, proof of duty or ordinary disability shall be provided to the board by at least one physician appointed by the board even when an employee has been compensated by the county under the Workers' Compensation Act or Workers' Occupational Diseases Act. Under HB 6292, as amended by HA 2, the physician review requirement may be waived if the employee has been compensated by the county for such disability under the Workers' Compensation Act or Workers' Occupational Diseases Act. Under the Workers' Compensation Act or Workers' Occupational Diseases Act. Under the bill, the physician requirement may also be waived by the pension fund for ordinary disability maternity claims of up to 8 weeks.

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