

COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT FORECASTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

PENSION IMPACT NOTE

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REVISED

BILL NO: **HB 1032, as amended by HA 1**

April 7, 2011

SPONSOR (S): Bradley – Nekritz, et al.

SYSTEM(S): None

FISCAL IMPACT: According to SERS, HB 1032, as amended by HA 1, may have a significant fiscal impact. Currently, worker's comp benefits are treated as an offset against disability benefits paid by SERS. To the extent that the retirement system must assume the full cost of disability benefits without a worker's comp offset, there would be a negative fiscal impact resulting from HB 1032, as amended by HA 1. An updated impact note will be issued when more information is made available to CGFA staff by the retirement systems.

SUBJECT MATTER: HB 1032, as amended by HA 1, repeals the Workers' Compensation Act and the Workers' Occupational Diseases Act. Creates the Workers' Compensation and Workers' Occupational Diseases Transfer and Transition Act. Provides that: except as otherwise provided, the provisions of the repealed Acts do not apply to any cause of action based on workplace injuries or diseases accruing on or after January 1, 2012; on January 1, 2012, the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission is divested of jurisdiction over any action over which it had jurisdiction on December 31, 2011; makes other changes.

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COMMENT: This bill does not amend the Pension Code.