

COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT FORECASTING AND ACCOUNTABILITY

PENSION IMPACT NOTE

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

BILL NO: **HB 3253**

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FISCAL IMPACT: HB 3253 should have a minimal positive fiscal impact as IMRF members will be unable to convert service in another capacity to that of a sheriff's law enforcement employee. Also, savings should be seen in that an elected county officer will not be able to choose to establish alternative credits for an alternative annuity.

SUBJECT MATTER: HB 3253 amends the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Article of the Illinois Pension Code. This legislation would prohibit a sheriff's law enforcement employee from converting up to 10 years of service in any other capacity into service in their current position. This prohibition would take effect after the effective date of the legislation. Also, after this legislation becomes effective, an elected county officer would not be able to choose to establish alternative credits for an alternative annuity.

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COMMENT: P.A. 94-0712, which became effective on June 1, 2006, contained a provision allowing SLEP personnel to convert up to 10 years of non-SLEP service to SLEP service by making the additional employee and employer contributions, plus interest. HB 3253 restricts this SLEP conversion provision to sheriff's law enforcement employees who began service prior to the effective date of this amendatory Act.

HB 3253 amends the State Mandates Act to require implementation without reimbursement and is effective immediately.

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