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98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR NASHEED.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 169.471, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the public school retirement system of the city of St. Louis.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 169.471, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 169.471, to read as follows:

169.471. 1. The board of education is authorized from time to time, in its
2 discretion, to increase the retirement benefits now or hereafter provided pursuant
3 to sections 169.410 to 169.540 and to adopt and implement additional retirement
4 benefits and plans, including without limitation early retirement plans, deferred
5 retirement option plans and cost-of-living adjustments, but excluding
6 compensation to retired members pursuant to section 169.475, and for such
7 purpose the contribution rate of members of the retirement system may be
8 increased to provide part of the cost thereof, subject to the following conditions:

9 (1) Any such increase in retirement benefits and additional retirement
10 benefits and plans shall be approved by the board of trustees;

11 (2) The board of trustees shall have presented to the board of education
12 the projected increases in rates of contribution which will be required to be made
13 by members and the board of education to the retirement system to pay the cost
14 of such increases in retirement benefits and additional retirement benefits and
15 plans; and

16 (3) Any increase in the contribution rate of members of the retirement
17 system shall be approved by the board of trustees and shall be deducted from the
18 compensation of each member by the employing board and transferred and
19 credited to the individual account of each member from whose compensation the

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

20 deduction was made, and shall be administered in accordance with sections
21 169.410 to 169.540; provided that, any such increase in the members' contribution
22 rate shall not exceed one-half of one percent of compensation in any year for such
23 increases to retirement benefits and additional retirement benefits and plans
24 adopted during such year by the board of education pursuant to this section, and
25 all such increases in the members' contribution rate shall, in the aggregate, not
26 exceed two percent of compensation.

27 2. The board of trustees is authorized from time to time, in its discretion,
28 to increase the retirement benefits, now or hereinafter provided under sections
29 169.410 to 169.540, and to adopt and implement additional retirement benefits
30 for persons who have retired, [including cost-of-living adjustments,] provided that
31 the board of trustees finds the additional benefit will not require an increase in
32 the contribution rate required by the members, will not increase the contribution
33 required from the board of education, and is actuarially sound. In the event the
34 board of trustees authorizes an increase under this section, it shall certify in
35 writing to the board of education the findings, including but not limited to all
36 actuarial assumptions, upon which the board of trustees determined that the
37 increase in benefits would result in no increase in contributions by members or
38 the board of education.

39 **3. Beginning August 28, 2016, if the board of trustees determines**
40 **that the cost-of-living, as measured by generally accepted standards,**
41 **increases two percent or more in the preceding fiscal year, the board**
42 **shall increase the retirement allowances that the retired members or**
43 **beneficiaries are receiving by two percent of the amount being received**
44 **by the retired member or the beneficiary at the time the annual**
45 **increase is granted by the board. If the board of trustees determines**
46 **that the cost-of-living has increased five percent or more in the**
47 **preceding fiscal year, the board shall increase the retirement**
48 **allowances by five percent. The total of the increases granted to a**
49 **retired member or the beneficiary shall not exceed eighty percent of**
50 **the retirement allowance established at retirement or as previously**
51 **adjusted by other subsections. If the cost-of-living increases less than**
52 **five percent, the board of trustees may determine the percentage of**
53 **increase to be made in retirement allowances, but at no time can the**
54 **increase exceed five percent per year. If the cost-of-living decreases in**
55 **a fiscal year, there will be no increase in allowances for retired**
56 **members on the following January first.**