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Bill/Sponsor HOUSE BILL 5093 (as introduced), Rep. Paul Condino

House Committee Senior Health, Security and Retirement

Analysis Summary

The bill amends the State Employees Retirement Act to prohibit the reduction of a duty disability pension allowance under certain conditions. Currently, a duty disability pension allowance may be reduced if the combined pension along with wages from another job exceed the retirant's final (state) compensation. This bill prohibits any reduction because of this as long as the combined amounts do not exceed 150% of the federal poverty guidelines.

Fiscal Impact

Impact on the State Employees Retirement System is indeterminate, but is considered to be actuarially insignificant. There are less than 500 duty disability retirants out more than 39,000. None receive an annual pension allowance of more than \$9,600 and nearly all are between \$4,800 and \$7,200 per year.

The 2003 federal poverty guidelines are \$8,980 for a single person and \$12,120 for a married couple. Respectively, these amounts are \$13,470 and \$18,180 at 150%. Obviously, if the retirant's final (state) compensation is higher than either respective amount; there is no fiscal impact to the system. Data to determine this is currently not available.

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