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SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 5097

A bill to amend 1947 PA 336, entitled

"An act to prohibit strikes by certain public employees; to provide review from disciplinary action with respect thereto; to provide for the mediation of grievances and the holding of elections; to declare and protect the rights and privileges of public employees; to require certain provisions in collective bargaining agreements; to prescribe means of enforcement and penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act; and to make appropriations,"

by amending section 15b (MCL 423.215b), as added by 2011 PA 54.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 15b. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section,
- 2 after the expiration date of a collective bargaining agreement and
- 3 until a successor collective bargaining agreement is in place, a
- 4 public employer shall pay and provide wages and benefits at levels
- 5 and amounts that are no greater than those in effect on the
- 6 expiration date of the collective bargaining agreement. The
- 7 prohibition in this subsection includes increases that would result

- 1 from wage step increases. Employees who receive health, dental,
- 2 vision, prescription, or other insurance benefits under a
- 3 collective bargaining agreement shall bear any increased cost COSTS
- 4 of maintaining those benefits that occurs OCCUR after the
- 5 expiration date. The public employer is authorized to MAY make
- 6 payroll deductions necessary to pay the increased costs of
- 7 maintaining those benefits.
- 8 (2) Except as provided in subsection (3) OR (4), the parties
- 9 to a collective bargaining agreement shall not agree to, and an
- 10 arbitration panel shall not order, any retroactive wage or benefit
- 11 levels or amounts that are greater than those in effect on the
- 12 expiration date of the collective bargaining agreement.
- 13 (3) For a collective bargaining agreement that expired before
- 14 the effective date of this section, JUNE 8, 2011, the requirements
- 15 of this section apply to limit wages and benefits to the levels and
- 16 amounts in effect on the effective date of this section.JUNE 8,
- 17 2011.
- 18 (4) ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY TO A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE ELIGIBLE
- 19 TO SUBMIT LABOR DISPUTES TO COMPULSORY ARBITRATION UNDER 1969 PA
- 20 312, MCL 423.231 TO 423.247:
- 21 (A) SUBSECTION (1) DOES NOT PROHIBIT WAGE OR BENEFIT
- 22 INCREASES, INCLUDING STEP INCREASES, EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED UNDER THE
- 23 EXPIRED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT.
- 24 (B) THE INCREASE IN EMPLOYEE COSTS FOR MAINTAINING HEALTH,
- 25 DENTAL, VISION, PRESCRIPTION, OR OTHER INSURANCE BENEFITS AFTER THE
- 26 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING CONTRACT EXPIRATION DATE THAT THE EMPLOYEE IS
- 27 REQUIRED TO BEAR UNDER SUBSECTION (1) SHALL NOT CAUSE THE TOTAL

- 1 EMPLOYEE COSTS FOR THOSE BENEFITS TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF THE
- 2 EMPLOYEE'S SHARE UNDER THE PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE
- 3 CONTRIBUTION ACT, 2011 PA 152, MCL 15.561 TO 15.269. IF THE PUBLIC
- 4 EMPLOYER IS EXEMPT FROM THE LIMITATIONS OF THAT ACT, THE TOTAL
- 5 EMPLOYEE COSTS FOR THOSE BENEFITS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE HIGHER OF
- 6 THE MINIMUM REQUIRED EMPLOYEE SHARE UNDER SECTION 3 OR 4 OF THE
- 7 PUBLICLY FUNDED HEALTH INSURANCE CONTRIBUTION ACT, 2011 PA 152, MCL
- 8 15.563 AND 15.264, CALCULATED AS IF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYER WERE
- 9 SUBJECT TO THAT ACT.
- 10 (C) SUBSECTION (2) DOES NOT PROHIBIT RETROACTIVE APPLICATION
- 11 OF A WAGE OR BENEFIT INCREASE IF THE INCREASE IS AWARDED IN THE
- 12 DECISION OF THE ARBITRATION PANEL UNDER 1969 PA 312, MCL 423.231 TO
- 13 423.247, OR INCLUDED IN A NEGOTIATED BARGAINING AGREEMENT.
- 14 (5) $\frac{4}{4}$ As used in this section:
- 15 (a) "Expiration date" means the expiration date set forth in a
- 16 collective bargaining agreement without regard to any agreement of
- 17 the parties to extend or honor the collective bargaining agreement
- 18 during pending negotiations for a successor collective bargaining
- 19 agreement.
- 20 (b) "Increased cost"—COSTS" in regard to insurance benefits
- 21 means the difference in premiums or illustrated rates between the
- 22 prior year and the current coverage year. The difference shall be
- 23 calculated based on changes in cost_COSTS by category of coverage
- 24 and not on changes in individual employee marital or dependent
- 25 status.