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Senator Ring moved the following:

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Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Present paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section 112.63, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as paragraph (g), and a new paragraph (f) is added to that subsection, to read:

9 112.63 Actuarial reports and statements of actuarial 10 impact; review.-

(1) Each retirement system or plan subject to the provisions of this act shall have regularly scheduled actuarial reports prepared and certified by an enrolled actuary. The

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14 actuarial report shall consist of, but shall not be limited to, 15 the following: (f) A disclosure of the present value of the plan's accrued 16 17 vested, nonvested, and total benefits, as adopted by the 18 Financial Accounting Standards Board, using the Florida 19 Retirement System's assumed rate of return, in order to promote 20 the comparability of actuarial data between local plans. 21 22 The actuarial cost methods utilized for establishing the amount 23 of the annual actuarial normal cost to support the promised 24 benefits shall only be those methods approved in the Employee 25 Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and as permitted under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury. 26 27 Section 2. Subsections (11) through (13) are added to section 112.66, Florida Statutes, to read: 28 29 112.66 General provisions. - The following general provisions 30 relating to the operation and administration of any retirement system or plan covered by this part shall be applicable: 31 32 (11) For noncollectively bargained service earned on or 33 after July 1, 2011, or for service earned under collective 34 bargaining agreements entered into on or after July 1, 2011, 35 when calculating retirement benefits, a defined benefit pension system or plan sponsored by a local government may include up to 36 37 300 hours per year of overtime compensation as specified in the 38 plan or collective bargaining agreement, but may not include any 39 payments for accrued unused sick leave or annual leave. For 40 those members whose terms and conditions of employment are collectively bargained, this subsection is effective for the 41 42 first agreement entered into on or after July 1, 2011. This

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43	subsection does not apply to state-administered retirement
44	systems or plans.
45	(12) An actuarial or cash surplus in any system or plan may
46	not be used for any expenses outside the plan.
47	(13) A local government sponsor of a retirement system or
48	plan may not reduce contributions required to fund the normal
49	cost. This subsection does not apply to state-administered
50	retirement systems or plans.
51	Section 3. Present paragraphs (e) and (f) of subsection (1)
52	of section 112.665, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as
53	paragraphs (f) and (g), respectively, and a new paragraph (e) is
54	added to that subsection, to read:
55	112.665 Duties of Department of Management Services
56	(1) The Department of Management Services shall:
57	(e) Provide a fact sheet for each participating local
58	government defined benefit pension plan summarizing the plan's
59	actuarial status. The fact sheet should provide a summary of the
60	plan's most current actuarial data, minimum funding requirements
61	as a percentage of pay, and a 5-year history of funded ratios.
62	The fact sheet must include a brief explanation of each element
63	in order to maximize the transparency of the local government
64	plans. These documents shall be posted on the department's
65	website. Plan sponsors that have websites must provide a link to
66	the department's website.
67	Section 4. Subsection (3) of section 175.032, Florida
68	Statutes, is amended to read:
69	175.032 DefinitionsFor any municipality, special fire
70	control district, chapter plan, local law municipality, local
71	law special fire control district, or local law plan under this

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72 chapter, the following words and phrases have the following 73 meanings: (3) "Compensation" or "salary" means, for noncollectively 74 75 bargained service earned before July 1, 2011, or for service 76 earned under collective bargaining agreements in place before 77 July 1, 2011, the fixed monthly remuneration paid a firefighter. 78 If; where, as in the case of a volunteer firefighter, 79 remuneration is based on actual services rendered, as in the 80 case of a volunteer firefighter, the term means the total cash 81 remuneration received yearly for such services, prorated on a 82 monthly basis. For noncollectively bargained service earned on 83 or after July 1, 2011, or for service earned under collective bargaining agreements entered into on or after July 1, 2011, the 84 85 term has the same meaning except that when calculating 86 retirement benefits, up to 300 hours per year in overtime 87 compensation may be included as specified in the plan or collective bargaining agreement, but payments for accrued unused 88 89 sick or annual leave may not be included. 90 (a) A retirement trust fund or plan may use a definition of salary other than the definition in this subsection but only if 91 92 the monthly retirement income payable to each firefighter covered by the retirement trust fund or plan, as determined 93

94 under s. 175.162(2)(a) and using such other definition, equals 95 or exceeds the monthly retirement income that would be payable 96 to each firefighter if his or her monthly retirement income were 97 determined under s. 175.162(2)(a) and using the definition in 98 this subsection.

99 (a) (b) Any retirement trust fund or plan that which now or
 100 hereafter meets the requirements of this chapter does shall not,

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101 solely by virtue of this subsection, reduce or diminish the 102 monthly retirement income otherwise payable to each firefighter 103 covered by the retirement trust fund or plan.

104 (b) (c) The member's compensation or salary contributed as employee-elective salary reductions or deferrals to any salary 105 106 reduction, deferred compensation, or tax-sheltered annuity 107 program authorized under the Internal Revenue Code shall be deemed to be the compensation or salary the member would receive 108 109 if he or she were not participating in such program and shall be 110 treated as compensation for retirement purposes under this 111 chapter.

112 (c) (d) For any person who first becomes a member in any plan year beginning on or after January 1, 1996, compensation 113 114 for that any plan year may shall not include any amounts in excess of the Internal Revenue Code s. 401(a)(17) limitation, 115 116 (as amended by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993), 117 which limitation of \$150,000 shall be adjusted as required by federal law for qualified government plans and shall be further 118 119 adjusted for changes in the cost of living in the manner provided by Internal Revenue Code s. 401(a)(17)(B). For any 120 121 person who first became a member before prior to the first plan 122 year beginning on or after January 1, 1996, the limitation on 123 compensation may shall be not be less than the maximum 124 compensation amount that was allowed to be taken into account 125 under the plan as in effect on July 1, 1993, which limitation 126 shall be adjusted for changes in the cost of living since 1989 127 in the manner provided by Internal Revenue Code s. 128 401(a)(17)(1991).

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Section 5. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section

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130 175.061, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

131 175.061 Board of trustees; members; terms of office; 132 meetings; legal entity; costs; attorney's fees.—For any 133 municipality, special fire control district, chapter plan, local 134 law municipality, local law special fire control district, or 135 local law plan under this chapter:

(1) In each municipality and in each special fire control district there is hereby created a board of trustees of the firefighters' pension trust fund, which shall be solely responsible for administering the trust fund. Effective October 1, 1986, and thereafter:

(b) The membership of boards of trustees for local lawplans shall be as follows:

143 1. If a municipality or special fire control district has a
144 pension plan for firefighters only, the provisions of paragraph
145 (a) shall apply.

146 2. If a municipality has a pension plan for firefighters 147 and police officers, the provisions of paragraph (a) shall 148 apply, except that one member of the board <u>must shall</u> be a 149 firefighter as defined in s. 175.032 and one member of the board 150 <u>must shall</u> be a police officer as defined in s. 185.02, 151 respectively elected by a majority of the active firefighters or 152 police officers who are members of the plan.

153 3. <u>A</u> Any board of trustees operating a local law plan on 154 July 1, 1999, which is combined with a plan for general 155 employees shall hold an election of the firefighters, or 156 firefighters and police officers, if included, to determine 157 whether a plan is to be established for firefighters only, or 158 for firefighters and police officers where included. Based on

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159 the election results, a new board shall be established as 160 provided in subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2., as appropriate. 161 The municipality or fire control district shall enact an 162 ordinance or resolution to implement the new board by October 1, 163 1999. The newly established board shall take whatever action is 164 necessary to determine the amount of assets which is attributable to firefighters, or firefighters and police 165 officers where included. Such assets shall include all employer, 166 167 employee, and state contributions made by or on behalf of 168 firefighters, or firefighters and police officers where 169 included, and any investment income derived from such 170 contributions. All such moneys shall be transferred into the 171 newly established retirement plan, as directed by the board. 172 With respect to a any board of trustees operating a local law 173 plan on June 30, 1986, nothing in this paragraph does not shall 174 175 permit the reduction of the membership percentage of firefighters, or of firefighters and police officers where a 176

joint or mixed fund exists. <u>However, for the sole purpose of</u> <u>changing municipal representation, a municipality may by</u> <u>ordinance change the municipal representation on the board of</u> <u>trustees operating a local law plan by ordinance, only if such</u> <u>change does not reduce the membership percentage of</u> <u>firefighters, or firefighters and police officers, or the</u> <u>membership percentage of the municipal representation.</u>

184 Section 6. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section185 175.091, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

186 175.091 Creation and maintenance of fund.—For any 187 municipality, special fire control district, chapter plan, local

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188 law municipality, local law special fire control district, or 189 local law plan under this chapter:

190 (2) Member contribution rates may be adjusted as follows:
191 (b) Firefighter member contributions may be increased by
192 consent of the members' collective bargaining representative or,
193 if none, by majority consent of firefighter members of the fund
194 to provide greater benefits.

196 Nothing in this section shall be construed to require adjustment 197 of member contribution rates in effect on the date this act 198 becomes a law, including rates that exceed 5 percent of salary, 199 provided that such rates are at least one-half of 1 percent of 200 salary.

201 Section 7. Section 175.351, Florida Statutes, is amended to 202 read:

203 175.351 Municipalities and special fire control districts 204 having their own pension plans for firefighters.-For any municipality, special fire control district, local law 205 206 municipality, local law special fire control district, or local 207 law plan under this chapter, in order for municipalities and 208 special fire control districts with their own pension plans for 209 firefighters, or for firefighters and police officers if, where included, to participate in the distribution of the tax fund 210 211 established pursuant to s. 175.101, local law plans must meet 212 the minimum benefits and minimum standards set forth in this 213 chapter.

(1) PREMIUM TAX INCOME. If a municipality has a pension
 plan for firefighters, or a pension plan for firefighters and
 police officers <u>if</u>, where included, which in the opinion of the

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217 division meets the minimum benefits and minimum standards set 218 forth in this chapter, the board of trustees of the pension 219 plan, as approved by a majority of firefighters of the 220 municipality, may:

(a) Place the income from the premium tax in s. 175.101 in
such pension plan for the sole and exclusive use of its
firefighters, or for firefighters and police officers <u>if</u>, where
included, where it shall become an integral part of that pension
plan and shall be used to pay extra benefits to the firefighters
included in that pension plan; or

(b) Place the income from the premium tax in s. 175.101 in
a separate supplemental plan to pay extra benefits to
firefighters, or to firefighters and police officers <u>if</u> where
included, participating in such separate supplemental plan.

231 (2) The premium tax provided by this chapter shall in all 232 cases be used in its entirety to provide extra benefits to 233 firefighters, or to firefighters and police officers if, where included. However, local law plans in effect on October 1, 1998, 234 235 must shall be required to comply with the minimum benefit 236 provisions of this chapter only to the extent that additional 237 premium tax revenues become available to incrementally fund the 238 cost of such compliance as provided in s. 175.162(2)(a). If When 239 a plan is in compliance with such minimum benefit provisions, as 240 subsequent additional premium tax revenues become available, 241 they must shall be used to provide extra benefits. Local law 242 plans created by special act before May 27, 1939, are deemed to 243 comply with this chapter. For the purpose of this chapter, the 244 term:

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(a) "Additional premium tax revenues" means revenues

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246 received by a municipality or special fire control district 247 pursuant to s. 175.121 which exceed that amount received for 248 calendar year 1997., and the term

(b) "Extra benefits" means benefits in addition to or greater than those provided to general employees of the municipality and in addition to those in existence for firefighters on March 12, 1999. Local law plans created by special act before May 23, 1939, shall be deemed to comply with this chapter.

255 (3) (2) A ADOPTION OR REVISION OF A LOCAL LAW PLAN. - No 256 retirement plan or amendment to a retirement plan may not shall 257 be proposed for adoption unless the proposed plan or amendment 258 contains an actuarial estimate of the costs involved. No Such 259 proposed plan or proposed plan change may not shall be adopted without the approval of the municipality, special fire control 260 261 district, or, where permitted, the Legislature. Copies of the 262 proposed plan or proposed plan change and the actuarial impact statement of the proposed plan or proposed plan change shall be 263 264 furnished to the division before prior to the last public hearing thereon. Such statement must shall also indicate whether 265 266 the proposed plan or proposed plan change is in compliance with 267 s. 14, Art. X of the State Constitution and those provisions of 268 part VII of chapter 112 which are not expressly provided in this 269 chapter. Notwithstanding any other provision, only those local 270 law plans created by special act of legislation before prior to 271 May 27 23, 1939, are shall be deemed to meet the minimum 272 benefits and minimum standards only in this chapter.

273 <u>(4)</u> (3) Notwithstanding any other provision, with respect to 274 any supplemental plan municipality:

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(a) Section 175.032(3)(a) shall not apply, and A local law
plan and a supplemental plan may continue to use their
definition of compensation or salary in existence on March 12,
<u>1999</u> the effective date of this act.

(b) Section 175.061(1)(b) does shall not apply, and a local
law plan and a supplemental plan shall continue to be
administered by a board or boards of trustees numbered,
constituted, and selected as the board or boards were numbered,
constituted, and selected on December 1, 2000.

(c) The election set forth in paragraph (1) (b) is shall be
 deemed to have been made.

286 <u>(5)-(4)</u> The retirement plan setting forth the benefits and 287 the trust agreement, if any, covering the duties and 288 responsibilities of the trustees and the regulations of the 289 investment of funds must be in writing, and copies thereof must 290 be made available to the participants and to the general public.

291Section 8. Subsection (4) of section 185.02, Florida292Statutes, is amended to read:

293 185.02 Definitions.—For any municipality, chapter plan, 294 local law municipality, or local law plan under this chapter, 295 the following words and phrases as used in this chapter shall 296 have the following meanings, unless a different meaning is 297 plainly required by the context:

(4) "Compensation" or "salary" means, for noncollectively
bargained service earned before July 1, 2011, or for service
earned under collective bargaining agreements in place before
July 1, 2011, the total cash remuneration including "overtime"
paid by the primary employer to a police officer for services
rendered, but not including any payments for extra duty or a

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304 special detail work performed on behalf of a second party 305 employer. However, A local law plan may limit the amount of overtime payments which can be used for retirement benefit 306 307 calculation purposes; however, but in no event shall such 308 overtime limit may not be less than 300 hours per officer per 309 calendar year. For noncollectively bargained service earned on or after July 1, 2011, or for service earned under collective 310 311 bargaining agreements entered into on or after July 1, 2011, the 312 term has the same meaning except that when calculating 313 retirement benefits, up to 300 hours per year in overtime 314 compensation may be included as specified in the plan or 315 collective bargaining agreement, but payments for accrued unused sick or annual leave may not be included. 316

(a) Any retirement trust fund or plan <u>that</u> which now or
hereafter meets the requirements of this chapter <u>does</u> shall not,
solely by virtue of this subsection, reduce or diminish the
monthly retirement income otherwise payable to each police
officer covered by the retirement trust fund or plan.

322 (b) The member's compensation or salary contributed as 323 employee-elective salary reductions or deferrals to any salary 324 reduction, deferred compensation, or tax-sheltered annuity 325 program authorized under the Internal Revenue Code shall be 326 deemed to be the compensation or salary the member would receive 327 if he or she were not participating in such program and shall be 328 treated as compensation for retirement purposes under this 329 chapter.

(c) For any person who first becomes a member in any plan
 year beginning on or after January 1, 1996, compensation for
 that any plan year may shall not include any amounts in excess

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333 of the Internal Revenue Code s. 401(a)(17) limitation, (as 334 amended by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993+, which limitation of \$150,000 shall be adjusted as required by federal 335 336 law for qualified government plans and shall be further adjusted 337 for changes in the cost of living in the manner provided by 338 Internal Revenue Code s. 401(a)(17)(B). For any person who first 339 became a member before prior to the first plan year beginning on or after January 1, 1996, the limitation on compensation may 340 341 shall be not be less than the maximum compensation amount that 342 was allowed to be taken into account under the plan as in effect 343 on July 1, 1993, which limitation shall be adjusted for changes 344 in the cost of living since 1989 in the manner provided by 345 Internal Revenue Code s. 401(a)(17)(1991).

346 Section 9. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 347 185.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

348 185.05 Board of trustees; members; terms of office; 349 meetings; legal entity; costs; attorney's fees.—For any 350 municipality, chapter plan, local law municipality, or local law 351 plan under this chapter:

(1) In each municipality described in s. 185.03 there is hereby created a board of trustees of the municipal police officers' retirement trust fund, which shall be solely responsible for administering the trust fund. Effective October 1, 1986, and thereafter:

357 (b) The membership of boards of trustees for local law 358 plans <u>is shall be</u> as follows:

359 1. If a municipality has a pension plan for police officers360 only, the provisions of paragraph (a) shall apply.

2. If a municipality has a pension plan for police officers

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and firefighters, the provisions of paragraph (a) shall apply, except that one member of the board shall be a police officer as defined in s. 185.02 and one member shall be a firefighter as defined in s. 175.032, respectively, elected by a majority of the active firefighters and police officers who are members of the plan.

368 3. Any board of trustees operating a local law plan on July 369 1, 1999, which is combined with a plan for general employees 370 shall hold an election of the police officers, or police 371 officers and firefighters if included, to determine whether a plan is to be established for police officers only, or for 372 373 police officers and firefighters where included. Based on the 374 election results, a new board shall be established as provided 375 in subparagraph 1. or subparagraph 2., as appropriate. The 376 municipality shall enact an ordinance to implement the new board 377 by October 1, 1999. The newly established board shall take 378 whatever action is necessary to determine the amount of assets 379 which is attributable to police officers, or police officers and 380 firefighters where included. Such assets shall include all 381 employer, employee, and state contributions made by or on behalf 382 of police officers, or police officers and firefighters where 383 included, and any investment income derived from such 384 contributions. All such moneys shall be transferred into the 385 newly established retirement plan, as directed by the board. 386

With respect to any board of trustees operating a local law plan on June 30, 1986, nothing in this paragraph <u>does not</u> shall permit the reduction of the membership percentage of police officers or police officers and firefighters. <u>However, for the</u>

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	sole purpose of changing municipal representation, a
392	municipality may by ordinance change the municipal
393	representation on the board of trustees operating a local law
394	plan by ordinance, only if such change does not reduce the
395	membership percentage of police officers, or police officers and
396	firefighters, or the membership percentage of the municipal
397	representation.
398	Section 10. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section
399	185.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
400	185.07 Creation and maintenance of fundFor any
401	municipality, chapter plan, local law municipality, or local law
402	plan under this chapter:
403	(2) Member contribution rates may be adjusted as follows:
404	(b) Police officer member contributions may be increased by
405	consent of the members' collective bargaining representative or,
406	if none, by majority consent of police officer members of the
407	fund to provide greater benefits .
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409	Nothing in this section shall be construed to require adjustment
410	of member contribution rates in effect on the date this act
411	becomes a law, including rates that exceed 5 percent of salary,
412	provided that such rates are at least one-half of 1 percent of
413	salary.
414	Section 11. Section 185.35, Florida Statutes, is amended to
415	read:
416	185.35 Municipalities having their own pension plans for
417	police officers.—For any municipality, chapter plan, local law
418	municipality, or local law plan under this chapter, in order for
419	municipalities with their own pension plans for police officers,

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420 or for police officers and firefighters <u>if</u> where included, to 421 participate in the distribution of the tax fund established 422 pursuant to s. 185.08, local law plans must meet the minimum 423 benefits and minimum standards set forth in this chapter:

(1) PREMIUM TAX INCOME. If a municipality has a pension
plan for police officers, or for police officers and
firefighters <u>if</u> where included, which, in the opinion of the
division, meets the minimum benefits and minimum standards set
forth in this chapter, the board of trustees of the pension
plan, as approved by a majority of police officers of the
municipality, may:

(a) Place the income from the premium tax in s. 185.08 in
such pension plan for the sole and exclusive use of its police
officers, or its police officers and firefighters <u>if</u> where
included, where it shall become an integral part of that pension
plan and shall be used to pay extra benefits to the police
officers included in that pension plan; or

(b) May place the income from the premium tax in s. 185.08
in a separate supplemental plan to pay extra benefits to the
police officers, or police officers and firefighters <u>if</u> where
included, participating in such separate supplemental plan.

441 (2) The premium tax provided by this chapter shall in all cases be used in its entirety to provide extra benefits to 442 443 police officers, or to police officers and firefighters if τ 444 where included. However, local law plans in effect on October 1, 445 1998, must shall be required to comply with the minimum benefit 446 provisions of this chapter only to the extent that additional premium tax revenues become available to incrementally fund the 447 448 cost of such compliance as provided in s. 185.16(2). If When a

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449 plan is in compliance with such minimum benefit provisions, as 450 subsequent additional tax revenues become available, they shall 451 be used to provide extra benefits. Local law plans created by 452 special act before May 27, 1939, shall be deemed to comply with 453 this chapter. For the purpose of this chapter, the term:

(a) "Additional premium tax revenues" means revenues
received by a municipality pursuant to s. 185.10 which exceed
the amount received for calendar year 1997., and the term

(b) "Extra benefits" means benefits in addition to or
greater than those provided to general employees of the
municipality and in addition to those in existence for police
officers on March 12, 1999. Local law plans created by special
act before May 23, 1939, shall be deemed to comply with this
chapter.

463 (3) (2) A ADOPTION OR REVISION OF A LOCAL LAW PLAN.-No 464 retirement plan or amendment to a retirement plan may not shall 465 be proposed for adoption unless the proposed plan or amendment 466 contains an actuarial estimate of the costs involved. No Such 467 proposed plan or proposed plan change may not shall be adopted 468 without the approval of the municipality or, where permitted, 469 the Legislature. Copies of the proposed plan or proposed plan 470 change and the actuarial impact statement of the proposed plan 471 or proposed plan change shall be furnished to the division 472 before prior to the last public hearing thereon. Such statement 473 must shall also indicate whether the proposed plan or proposed 474 plan change is in compliance with s. 14, Art. X of the State 475 Constitution and those provisions of part VII of chapter 112 which are not expressly provided in this chapter. 476 Notwithstanding any other provision, only those local law plans 477

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478 created by special act of legislation <u>before</u> prior to May <u>27</u> 23, 479 1939, <u>are shall be</u> deemed to meet the minimum benefits and 480 minimum standards only in this chapter.

481 <u>(4) (3)</u> Notwithstanding any other provision, with respect to 482 any supplemental plan municipality:

(a) Section 185.02(4)(a) does shall not apply, and a local
law plan and a supplemental plan may continue to use their
definition of compensation or salary in existence on <u>March 12</u>,
<u>1999</u> the effective date of this act.

(b) Section 185.05(1)(b) shall not apply, and A local law plan and a supplemental plan <u>must</u> shall continue to be administered by a board or boards of trustees numbered, constituted, and selected as the board or boards were numbered, constituted, and selected on December 1, 2000.

492 (c) The election set forth in paragraph (1) (b) is shall be
493 deemed to have been made.

494 <u>(5)(4)</u> The retirement plan setting forth the benefits and 495 the trust agreement, if any, covering the duties and 496 responsibilities of the trustees and the regulations of the 497 investment of funds must be in writing and copies made available 498 to the participants and to the general public.

Section 12. <u>Financial rating of local pension plans.-The</u>
 <u>Department of Management Services shall develop a plan for</u>
 <u>creating standardized ratings for classifying the financial</u>
 <u>strength of all local government defined benefit pension plans.</u>
 (1) In developing the plan, the department shall consider,

504 <u>without limitation:</u> 505 (a) The plan's current and future unfunded liabilities.

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(a) The plan's current and future unfunded liabilities.(b) The plan's net asset value, managed returns, and funded

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507	ratio.
508	(c) Metrics related to the sustainability of the plan,
509	including, but not limited to, the percentage that the annual
510	contribution is of the participating employee payroll.
511	(d) Municipal bond ratings for the local government, if
512	applicable.
513	(e) Whether the local government has reduced contribution
514	rates to the plan when the plan has an actuarial surplus.
515	(f) Whether the local government uses any actuarial surplus
516	in the plan for obligations outside the plan.
517	(2) The department may obtain data, information, and
518	assistance from state agencies, local governments, or political
519	subdivisions thereof, which shall provide the department with
520	all relevant information and assistance on any matter within
521	their knowledge or control.
522	(3) The department shall submit the plan, plus any related
523	findings and recommendations, to the Governor, the Chief
524	Financial Officer, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker
525	of the House of Representatives by January 1, 2012. The report
526	must also include specific recommendations for legislative
527	action during the 2012 Regular Session of the Legislature.
528	Section 13. Task Force on Public Employee Disability
529	Presumptions
530	(1) The Task Force on Public Employee Disability
531	Presumptions is created for the purpose of developing findings
532	and issuing recommendations on the disability presumptions in
533	ss. 112.18, 175.231, and 185.34, Florida Statutes.
534	(2) All members of the task force shall be appointed on or
535	before July 15, 2011, and the task force shall hold its first

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536	meeting on or before August 15, 2011. The task force shall be
537	composed of eight members as follows:
538	(a) Three members appointed by the President of the Senate,
539	one of whom must be an attorney who primarily represents
540	plaintiffs and has experience in the relevant laws, one of whom
541	must be a representative of organized labor and a member of a
542	pension plan under chapter 175, Florida Statutes, and one of
543	whom must be from the Florida Association of Counties.
544	(b) Three members appointed by the Speaker of the House of
545	Representatives, one of whom must be an attorney who primarily
546	represents defendants and has experience in the relevant laws,
547	one of whom must be a representative of organized labor and a
548	member of a pension plan under chapter 185, Florida Statutes,
549	and one of whom must be from the Florida League of Cities.
550	(c) A member employed by the Division of Retirement of the
551	Department of Management Services who has experience in local
552	government pension plans, appointed by the Governor.
553	(d) A member employed by the Department of Financial
554	Services who has relevant expertise in state risk management,
555	appointed by the Chief Financial Officer.
556	(3) The task force shall address issues, including, but not
557	limited to:
558	(a) Data related to the operation of the statutory
559	disability presumptions, and the fiscal impact on public
560	employers in the areas of pensions and workers' compensation.
561	(b) The manner in which other states handle disability
562	presumptions, and the fiscal impact on public employers.
563	(c) Proposals for changes to the existing disability
564	presumptions.
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565	(d) Evidentiary standards and burdens of proof for
566	overcoming statutory disability presumptions, and whether
567	consideration of risk factors and epidemiological data relating
568	to nonwork-related conditions unique to an individual employee,
569	such as blood cholesterol, body mass index, history of tobacco
570	and alcohol use, and other medical conditions or behaviors that
571	are associated with the diseases or conditions listed in
572	disability presumptions, are appropriate for consideration.
573	(4) The Department of Financial Services shall provide
574	administrative support to the task force.
575	(5) Members of the task force shall serve without
576	compensation while in the performance of their duties, but are
577	entitled to reimbursement for per diem and travel expenses in
578	accordance with s. 112.061, Florida Statutes.
579	(6) The task force may obtain data, information, and
580	assistance from any state agency, local government, or any
581	political subdivision thereof, which shall provide the task
582	force with all relevant information and assistance on any matter
583	within their knowledge or control.
584	(7) The task force shall submit a report, including
585	findings and recommendations, to the Governor, the Chief
586	Financial Officer, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker
587	of the House of Representatives by January 1, 2012. The report
588	must include specific recommendations for legislative action
589	during the 2012 Regular Session of the Legislature.
590	(8) The task force is dissolved upon submission of its
591	report.
592	Section 14. The Legislature finds that a proper and
593	legitimate state purpose is served when employees and retirees

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594	of the state and of its political subdivisions, and the
595	dependents, survivors, and beneficiaries of those employees and
596	retirees, are extended the basic protections afforded by
597	governmental retirement systems that provide fair and adequate
598	benefits and that are managed, administered, and funded in an
599	actuarially sound manner as required by s. 14, Article X of the
600	State Constitution and part VII of chapter 112, Florida
601	Statutes. Therefore, the Legislature determines and declares
602	that this act fulfills an important state interest.
603	Section 15. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.
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606	And the title is amended as follows:
607	Delete everything before the enacting clause
608	and insert:
609	A bill to be entitled
610	An act relating to public retirement plans; amending
611	s. 112.63, F.S.; requiring plans to regularly disclose
612	the plan's accrued benefits; amending s. 112.66, F.S.;
613	providing for the calculation of local government
614	retirement benefits after a certain date; providing a
615	prohibition on the use of certain compensation for
616	calculating retirement benefits; prohibiting the use
617	of surpluses for expenses outside the plan;
618	prohibiting a reduction in certain contributions to a
619	plan; amending s. 112.665, F.S.; requiring the
620	Department of Management Services to provide a fact
621	sheet on each local plan; amending s. 175.032, F.S.;
622	revising the definition of the term "compensation" or

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623 "salary" for purposes of firefighters' pensions; 624 providing a prohibition on the use of certain 625 compensation; amending s. 175.061, F.S.; authorizing a 626 municipality to change the municipality's membership 627 on the board of trustees operating its firefighters' 628 pension plan under certain circumstances; amending s. 629 175.091, F.S.; deleting a limitation on the 630 justification for approving an increase in member 631 contributions; amending s. 175.351, F.S.; revising a 632 date relating to local law plans; conforming a cross-633 reference; amending s. 185.02, F.S.; revising the 634 definition of the terms "compensation" and "salary" for purposes of police officers' pensions; providing a 635 636 prohibition on the use of certain compensation for 637 calculating retirement benefits; amending s. 185.05, 638 F.S.; authorizing a municipality to change the 639 municipality's membership on the board of trustees 640 operating its police officers' pension plan under 641 certain circumstances; amending s. 185.07, F.S.; 642 deleting a limitation on the justification for 643 approving an increase in member contributions; 644 amending s. 185.35, F.S.; revising a date relating to 645 local law plans; directing the Department of Financial 646 Services to develop a plan for rating the financial 647 strength of local government defined benefit plans; 648 specifying factors for consideration; requiring 649 certain entities to cooperate in providing data for 650 the plan; requiring the department to submit the plan 651 to the Governor, Chief Financial Officer, and

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652 Legislature by a certain date; creating the Task Force 653 on Public Employee Disability Presumptions; providing 654 for appointment and membership; specifying the issues 655 for the task force to address; providing for a report 656 to be submitted to the Governor, Chief Financial 657 Officer, and Legislature by a certain date; providing 658 for future dissolution; providing a declaration of 659 important state interest; providing an effective date.