

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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The Committee on Appropriations (Ring) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment to Amendment (326778)

Delete lines 700 - 759 and insert:

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- (16) "Minimum benefits" means the benefits set forth in ss. 185.01-185.341 and ss. 185.37-185.50.
- (17) "Minimum standards" means the standards set forth in ss. 185.01-185.341 and ss. 185.37-185.50.
- (18) (11) "Police officer" means any person who is elected, appointed, or employed full time by a any municipality, who is certified or required to be certified as a law enforcement officer in compliance with s. 943.1395, who is vested with

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authority to bear arms and make arrests, and whose primary responsibility is the prevention and detection of crime or the enforcement of the penal, criminal, traffic, or highway laws of the state. The term This definition includes all certified supervisory and command personnel whose duties include, in whole or in part, the supervision, training, guidance, and management responsibilities of full-time law enforcement officers, parttime law enforcement officers, or auxiliary law enforcement officers, but does not include part-time law enforcement officers or auxiliary law enforcement officers as those terms the same are defined in s. 943.10(6) and (8), respectively. For the purposes of this chapter only, the term also includes "police officer" also shall include a public safety officer who is responsible for performing both police and fire services. Any plan may provide that the police chief shall have an option to participate, or not, in that plan.

- (19) (12) "Police Officers' Retirement Trust Fund" means a trust fund, by whatever name known, as provided under s. 185.03 for the purpose of assisting municipalities in establishing and maintaining a retirement plan for police officers.
- (20) "Required benefits" means the lesser of the minimum benefits set forth in this chapter and the base benefits of the plan. For local law plans created after March 1, 2013, the required benefits are the minimum benefits set forth in this chapter.
- (21) (13) "Retiree" or "retired police officer" means a police officer who has entered retirement status. For the purposes of a plan that includes a Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP), a police officer who enters the DROP is shall be

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considered a retiree for all purposes of the plan. However, a police officer who enters the DROP and who is otherwise eligible to participate may shall not thereby be precluded from participating, or continuing to participate, in a supplemental plan in existence on, or created after, March 12, 1999 the effective date of this act.

(22) (14) "Retirement" means a police officer's separation from city employment as a police officer with immediate eligibility for receipt of benefits under the plan. For purposes of a plan that includes a Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP), "retirement" means the date a police officer enters the DROP.

- (23) "Special benefits" means benefits provided in a defined contribution plan for police officers.
- (24) (15) "Supplemental plan" means a plan to which deposits of the premium tax moneys as provided in s. 185.08 are made to provide extra benefits to police officers, or police officers and firefighters if both are where included, under this chapter. Such a plan is an element of a local law plan and exists in conjunction with a defined benefit component plan that meets the required minimum benefits and minimum standards of this chapter. Any supplemental plan in existence on March 1, 2013, shall be deemed to be defined contribution plan in compliance with s. 185.35(8).
- (25) (16) "Supplemental plan municipality" means a any local law municipality in which there existed a supplemental plan existed as of December 1, 2000.