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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

AN ACT

RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RETIREMENT OF MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Edwards, Hull, Noret, Costantino, J. Lombardi, Roberts, Quattrocchi, Rea, Newberry, and Nardone

Date Introduced: February 02, 2024

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 45-21-54 of the General Laws in Chapter 45-21 entitled "Retirement

of Municipal Employees" is hereby amended to read as follows:

45-21-54. Reemployment of retired members.

4 Any retired member of the system is permitted to reenter the service of the system for not

5 more than seventy-five (75) working days in a calendar year without interruption of pension

6 benefits. Pension payments, however, are suspended when that period is exceeded. This seventy-

7 five-day (75) rule shall not apply to police officers, as defined in § 28-9.2-3, or any peace officer

8 as defined in § 12-7-21, working in a Rhode Island school as a full or part-time school resource

officer, for the purposes of their working private details, paid for by a nongovernmental entity. If

10 the retired member continues in service beyond the seventy-five-day (75) period (with his or her

annuity temporarily suspended) the member is not eligible for pension credit for the additional

service, nor is the member required to make pension contributions for this service; provided, that

any retired member of the system is permitted to serve as an elected city or town council member

or school committee member and continues to be eligible for and receive the retirement allowance

for service other than that as a council member or school committee member.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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This act would allow any peace officer working in a Rhode Island school as a full or parttime resource officer to work in excess of the seventy-five (75) working days in a calendar year,
and not have an interruption in their benefits.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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