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## SENATE BILL NO. 871

## 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR COLEMAN.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

## AN ACT

To repeal sections 86.252, 86.253, and 86.255, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to police retirement.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 86.252, 86.253, and 86.255, RSMo, are repealed and

- 2 four new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 86.252, 86.253,
- 3 86.255, and 86.359, to read as follows:
  - 86.252. 1. Notwithstanding any provision of sections 86.200 to 86.366, to
- 2 the contrary, the entire interest of a member shall be distributed or begin to be
- 3 distributed no later than the member's required beginning date. The general
- 4 required beginning date of a member's benefit is April first of the calendar year
- 5 following the calendar year in which the member attains age seventy and one-half
- 6 years or, if later, in which the member terminates employment as a police officer
- 7 and actually retires.
- 8 2. All distributions required pursuant to this section prior to January
- 9 1, 2003, shall be determined and made in accordance with the income tax
- 10 regulations under Section 401(a)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code in effect prior
- 11 to January 1, 2003, including the minimum distribution incidental benefit
- 12 requirement of Section 1.401(a)(9)-2 of the income tax regulations. As of the first
- 13 distribution year, distributions, if not made in a single sum, may only be made
- 14 over one of the following periods, or a combination thereof:
- 15 (1) The life of the member;

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

- 16 (2) The life of the member and a designated beneficiary;
- 17 (3) A period certain not extending beyond the life expectancy of the 18 member: or
- 19 (4) A period certain not extending beyond the joint and last survivor 20 expectancy of the member and a designated beneficiary.
- 3. (1) This subsection shall apply for purposes of determining required minimum distributions for calendar years beginning on and after January 1, 2003, and shall take precedence over any inconsistent provisions of section 86.200 to 86.366. All distributions required under this subsection shall be determined and made in accordance with the United States Treasury regulations under Section 401(a)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- 28 (2) (a) The member's entire interest shall be distributed or begin 29 to be distributed to the member no later than the member's required 30 beginning date.
- 31 (b) If the member dies before distributions begin, the member's 32 entire interest shall be distributed or begin to be distributed no later 33 than as follows:
- a. If the member's surviving spouse is the member's sole designated beneficiary, distributions to the surviving spouse shall begin by December thirty-first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the member died, or by December thirty-first of the calendar year in which the member would have attained age seventy and one-half years, if later;
- b. If the member's surviving spouse is not the member's sole designated beneficiary, distributions to the designated beneficiary shall begin by December thirty-first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the member died;
- c. If there is no designated beneficiary as of September thirtieth of the calendar year following the calendar year of the member's death, the member's entire interest shall be distributed by December thirty-first of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the member's death;
- d. If the member's surviving spouse is the member's sole designated beneficiary and the surviving spouse dies after the member but before distribution to the surviving spouse begins, this paragraph, except for subparagraph a. of this paragraph, shall apply as if the

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For purposes of this paragraph and subdivision (5) of this subsection, distributions shall be considered to begin on the member's required 55beginning date, or if subparagraph d. of this paragraph applies, the 56 date distributions are required to begin to the surviving spouse under 57subparagraph a. of this paragraph. If annuity payments irrevocably 58 commence to the member before the member's required beginning date, 59 or to the member's surviving spouse before the date of distributions are 60 required to begin to the surviving spouse under subparagraph a. of this 61 paragraph, the date of distributions shall be considered to begin the 62 63 date distributions actually commence.

- (c) Unless the member's interest is distributed in the form of an annuity purchased from an insurance company or in a single sum on or before the required beginning date, as of the first distribution calendar year distributions shall be made in accordance with subdivisions (3), (4), and (5) of this subsection. If the member's interest is distributed in the form of an annuity purchased from an insurance company, distributions shall be made in accordance with the requirements of Section 401(a)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the United States Treasury regulations.
- (3) (a) If the member's interest is paid in the form of annuity distributions under sections 86.200 to 86.366, payments under the annuity shall satisfy the following requirements:
- a. The annuity distributions shall be paid in periodic payments made at intervals not longer than one year;
- b. The distribution period shall be over a life or lives, or over a period certain not longer than the period described in subdivision (4) or (5) of this subsection;
  - c. Once payments have begun over a period certain, the period certain shall not be changed even if the period certain is shorter than the maximum permitted;
- d. Payments shall either be nonincreasing or increase only as follows:
  - (i) By an annual percentage increase that does not exceed the annual percentage increase in a cost-of-living index that is based on prices of all items and issued by the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics;
    - (ii) To the extent of the reduction in the amount of the member's

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payments to provide for a surviving benefit upon death, but only if the beneficiary whose life was being used to determine the distribution period described in subdivision (4) of this subsection dies or is no longer the member's beneficiary under a qualified domestic relations order with the meaning of Section 414(p) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

- 96 (iii) To provide cash refunds of employee contributions upon the 97 member's death; or
  - (iv) To pay increased benefits that result from a revision of sections 86.200 to 86.366.
  - (b) The amount distributed on or before the member's required beginning date, or if the member dies before distribution begins, the date distributions are required to begin under subparagraph a. or b. of paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, shall be the payment that is required for one payment interval. The second payment need not be made until the end of the next payment interval even if the payment interval ends in the next calendar year. "Payment intervals" means the periods for which payments are received, such as bi-monthly, monthly, semi-annually, or annually. All of the member's benefit accruals as of the last day of the first distribution calendar year shall be included in the calculation of the amount of the annuity payments for payment intervals ending on or after the member's required beginning date.
  - (c) Any additional benefits accruing to the member in a calendar year after the first distribution calendar year shall be distributed beginning with the first payment interval ending in the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which such amount accrues.
  - (4) (a) If the member's interest is being distributed in the form of a joint and survivor annuity for the joint lives of the member and a nonspouse beneficiary, annuity payments to be made on or after the member's required beginning date to the designated beneficiary after the member's death shall not at any time exceed the applicable percentage of the annuity payment for such period that would have been payable to the member using the table set forth in Q&A-2 of Section 1.401(a)(9)-6T of the United States Treasury regulations.
- 125 (b) The period certain for an annuity distribution commencing 126 during the member's lifetime shall not exceed the applicable

distribution period for the member under the Uniform Lifetime Table set forth in Section 1.401(a)(9)-9 of the United States Treasury regulations for the calendar year that contains the annuity starting date. If the annuity starting date precedes the year in which the member reaches age seventy, the applicable distribution period for the member shall be the distribution period for age seventy under the Uniform Lifetime Table set forth in Section 1.401(a)(9)-9 of the United States Treasury regulations plus the excess of seventy over the age of the member as of the member's birthday in the year that contained the annuity starting date. 

- (5) (a) If the member dies before the date distribution of his or her interest begins and there is a designated beneficiary, the member's entire interest shall be distributed, beginning no later than the time described in subparagraph a. or b. of paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of this subsection, over the life of the designated beneficiary or over a period certain not exceeding:
- a. Unless the annuity starting date is before the first distribution calendar year, the life expectancy of the designated beneficiary determined using the beneficiary's age as of the beneficiary's birthday in the calendar year immediately following the calendar year of the member's death; or
- b. If the annuity starting date is before the first distribution calendar year, the life expectancy of the designated beneficiary determined using the beneficiary's age as of the beneficiary's birthday in the calendar year that contains the annuity starting date.
- (b) If the member dies before the date distributions begin and there is no designated beneficiary as of September thirtieth of the calendar year following the calendar year of the member's death, distribution of the member's entire interest shall be completed by December thirty-first of the calendar year containing the fifth anniversary of the member's death.
- (c) If the member dies before the date distribution of his or her interest begins, the member's surviving spouse is the member's sole designated beneficiary, and the surviving spouse dies before distributions to the surviving spouse begin, this subdivision shall apply as if the surviving spouse were the member; except that, the time by which distributions shall begin shall be determined without regard to

164 subparagraph a. of paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of this subsection.

- (6) As used in this subsection, the following terms mean:
- 166 (a) "Designated beneficiary", the surviving spouse or the
  167 individual who is designated as the beneficiary under subdivision (4)
  168 of section 86.200 or any individual who is entitled to receive death
  169 benefits under section 86.283 or 86.287 and is the designated
  170 beneficiary under Section 401(a)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code of
  171 1986, as amended, and Section 1.401(a)(9)-1, Q&A-4 of the United States
- 172 Treasury regulations;

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- 173 (b) "Distribution calendar year", a calendar year for which a minimum distribution is required. For distributions beginning before 174the member's death, the first distribution calendar year is the calendar 175 year immediately preceding the calendar year which contains the 176member's required beginning date. For distributions beginning after 177the member's death, the first distribution calendar year is the calendar 178 179 year in which distributions are required to begin under paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of this subsection; 180
- 181 (c) "Life expectancy", life expectancy as computed by use of the 182 Single Life Table in Section 1.401(a)(9)-9 of the United States Treasury 183 regulations;
- (d) "Required beginning date", April first of the calendar year l85 following the calendar year in which the member attains age seventy and one-half years or, if later, in which the member terminates employment as a police officer and actually retires.
- 188 (7) Notwithstanding any provision in this subsection to the 189 contrary:
- (a) A distribution for calendar years 2003, 2004, and 2005 shall not fail to satisfy Section 401(a)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code of 192 1986, as amended, merely because the payments do not satisfy Section 193 1.401(a)(9)-1, Q&A-1 to Q&A-16 of the United States Treasury 194 regulations, provided the payments satisfy Section 401(a)(9) of the 195 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; and
- (b) In the case of an annuity distribution option provided under the terms of sections 86.200 to 86.366 shall not fail to satisfy Section 401(a)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, merely because the annuity payments do not satisfy the requirements of Section 1.401(a)(9)-1, Q&A-1 to Q&A-15 of the United States Treasury

regulations, provided the distribution option satisfies Section 401(a)(9)
of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, based on a
reasonable and good faith interpretation of the provisions of Section
401(a)(9) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

86.253. 1. Upon termination of employment as a police officer and actual retirement for service, a member shall receive a service retirement allowance which shall be an amount equal to two percent of the member's average final 3 compensation multiplied by the number of years of the member's creditable service, up to twenty-five years, plus an amount equal to four percent of the 5 member's average final compensation for each year of creditable service in excess 6 of twenty-five years but not in excess of thirty years; plus an additional five 8 percent of the member's average final compensation for any creditable service in 9 excess of thirty years. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the service retirement allowance of a member who does not earn any creditable service after August 11, 10 11 1999, shall not exceed an amount equal to seventy percent of the member's average final compensation, and the service retirement allowance of a member 1213 who earns creditable service on or after August 12, 1999, shall not exceed an amount equal to seventy-five percent of the member's average final compensation; 14 15 provided, however, that the service retirement allowance of a member who is participating in the DROP pursuant to section 86.251 on August 12, 1999, who 16 17 returns to active participation in the system pursuant to section 86.251, and who terminates employment as a police officer and actually retires for reasons other 18 than death or disability before earning at least two years of creditable service 19 20 after such return shall be the sum of (1) the member's service retirement allowance as of the date the member entered DROP and (2) an additional service 21retirement allowance based solely on the creditable service earned by the member 2223 following the member's return to active participation. The member's total years of creditable service shall be taken into account for the purpose of determining 24whether the additional allowance attributable to such additional creditable 25service is two percent, four percent or five percent of the member's average final  $^{26}$ compensation. 27

2. If, at any time since first becoming a member of the retirement system, the member has served in the armed forces of the United States, and has subsequently been reinstated as a policeman within ninety days after the member's discharge, the member shall be granted credit for such service as if the member's service in the police department of such city had not been interrupted

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by the member's induction into the armed forces of the United States. If earnable 33 34 compensation is needed for such period in computation of benefits it shall be calculated on the basis of the compensation payable to the officers of the 35 36 member's rank during the period of the member's absence. Notwithstanding any provision of sections 86.200 to 86.366 to the contrary, the retirement system 37 38 governed by sections 86.200 to 86.366 shall be operated and administered in 39 accordance with the applicable provisions of the Uniformed Services Employment 40 and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994, as amended.

- 3. The service retirement allowance of each present and future retired member who terminated employment as a police officer and actually retired from service after attaining age fifty-five or after completing twenty years of creditable service shall be increased annually at a rate not to exceed three percent as approved by the board of trustees beginning with the first increase in the second October following the member's retirement and subsequent increases in each October thereafter, provided that each increase is subject to a determination by the board of trustees that the consumer price index (United States City Average Index) as published by the United States Department of Labor shows an increase of not less than the approved rate during the latest twelve-month period for which the index is available at the date of determination; and provided further, that if the increase is in excess of the approved rate for any year, such excess shall be accumulated as to any retired member and increases may be granted in subsequent years subject to a maximum of three percent for each full year from October following the member's retirement but not to exceed a total percentage increase of thirty percent. In no event shall the increase described under this subsection be applied to the amount, if any, paid to a member or surviving spouse of a deceased member for services as a special consultant under subsection 5 of this section or, if applicable, subsection 6 of this section. If the board of trustees determines that the index has decreased for any year, the benefits of any retired member that have been increased shall be decreased but not below the member's initial benefit. No annual increase shall be made of less than one percent and no decrease of less than three percent except that any decrease may be limited in amount by the initial benefit.
- 4. In addition to any other retirement allowance payable under this section and section 86.250, a member, upon termination of employment as police officer and actual service retirement, [shall be repaid] may request payment of the total amount of the member's mandatory contributions to the retirement

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5. Any person who is receiving retirement benefits from the retirement system, upon application to the board of trustees, shall be made, constituted, appointed and employed by the board of trustees as a special consultant on the problems of retirement, aging and other matters, for the remainder of the person's life or, in the case of a deceased member's surviving spouse, until the earlier of the person's death or remarriage, and upon request of the board of trustees shall give opinions and be available to give opinions in writing or orally, in response to such requests, as may be required. For such services the special consultant shall be compensated monthly, in an amount which, when added to any monthly retirement benefits being received from the retirement system, including any cost-of-living increases under subsection 3 of this section, shall total six hundred fifty dollars a month. This employment shall in no way affect any person's eligibility for retirement benefits under this chapter, or in any way have the effect of reducing retirement benefits, notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary.

86.255. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of the plan established in sections 86.200 to 86.366, if an eligible rollover distribution becomes payable to a distributee, the distributee may elect, at the time and in the manner prescribed by the board of trustees, to have any of the eligible rollover distribution paid directly to an eligible retirement plan specified by the distributee in a direct rollover.

- 2. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:
- 8 (1) "Direct rollover", a payment by the board of trustees from the fund to 9 the eligible retirement plan specified by the distributee;
  - (2) "Distributee", a member, a surviving spouse or a spouse;
- 11 (3) "Eligible retirement plan", an individual retirement account described 12 in Section 408(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, an individual retirement annuity 13 described in Section 408(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, or a qualified trust 14 described in Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code that accepts the 15 distributee's eligible rollover distribution or, effective for eligible rollover 16 distributions made on or after January 1, 2002, an annuity contract described in

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Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code or an eligible plan under Section 17 18 457(b) of the Internal Revenue Code which is maintained by a state, political subdivision of a state, or any agency or instrumentality of a state or political 19 20subdivision of a state and which agrees to separately account for amounts transferred into such plan from this plan, and shall include, for eligible rollover 2122distributions made on or after January 1, 2002, a distribution to a surviving 23 spouse or to a spouse or former spouse who is the alternate payee under a 24qualified domestic relations order, as defined in Section 414(p) of the Internal 25 Revenue Code;

- (4) "Eligible rollover distribution", any distribution of all or any portion of a member's benefit, other than:
- 28 (a) A distribution that is one of a series of substantially equal periodic 29 payments, made not less frequently than annually, for the life or life expectancy 30 of the distributee or for the joint lives or joint life expectancies of the distributee 31 and the distributee's designated beneficiary, or for a specified period of ten years 32 or more;
- 33 (b) The portion of a distribution that is required under Section 401(a)(9) 34 of the Internal Revenue Code; or
- 35 (c) Effective for distributions made on or after January 1, 2002, a portion 36 of a distribution shall not fail to be an eligible rollover distribution merely 37 because the portion consists of after-tax employee contributions which are not includable in gross income. However, such portion may be transferred only to an 38 39 individual retirement account or annuity described in Section 408(a) or (b) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to a qualified defined contribution plan described in 40Section 401(a) or 403(a) of the Internal Revenue Code that agrees to separately 41 account for amounts so transferred, including to separately account for the 42 portion of such distribution which is includable in gross income and the portion 43 44 that is not so includable.
  - 3. The board of trustees shall, at least thirty days, but not more than ninety days, before making an eligible rollover distribution, provide a written explanation to the distributee in accordance with the requirements of Section 402(f) of the Internal Revenue Code.
  - 4. If the eligible rollover distribution is not subject to Sections 401(a) and 417 of the Internal Revenue Code, such eligible rollover distribution may be made less than thirty days after the distributee has received the notice described in subsection 3 of this section, provided that:

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53 (1) The board of trustees clearly informs the distributee of the 54 distributee's right to consider whether to elect a direct rollover, and if applicable, 55 a particular distribution option, for at least thirty days after the distributee 56 receives the notice; and

- 57 (2) The distributee, after receiving the notice, affirmatively elects a 58 distribution.
  - 5. Notwithstanding any provision of sections 86.200 to 86.366 to the contrary, in no event shall the trustees pay an eligible rollover distribution in the amount of five thousand dollars or less to a member or retired member who has not attained age sixty-two unless such member or retired member consents in writing either to receive such distribution in cash or to have such distribution directly rolled over in accordance with the provisions of this section.

86.359. If a retroactive payment is made to a member, surviving spouse, dependent child, or other beneficiary under sections 86.200 to 86.366 for any reason, a lump sum equal to the sum of the retroactive monthly payments, plus interest, shall be paid. For this purpose, interest shall be credited at the rate of six percent annum, compounded annually.

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