



**Senate Bill No. 1081**

**Public Act No. 21-178**

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE INTEREST RATE RELATING TO TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM COST-OF-LIVING ALLOWANCES AND RESERVING CERTAIN LOTTERY FUND REVENUE FOR THE CONNECTICUT TEACHERS' RETIREMENT FUND BONDS SPECIAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUND.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Subsection (l) of section 10-183g of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

(l) (1) Beginning the first day of January or July which follows nine months in retirement, a retired member who retired on or after September 1, 1992, or a member's successor beneficiary, except a person receiving survivor's benefits, shall be eligible for an annual cost of living allowance. The cost of living allowance shall be calculated by using the percentage cost of living adjustment granted by the Social Security Administration for the applicable year, computed on the basis of the retirement benefits to which such retired member or successor beneficiary was entitled on the last day of the preceding December or June except benefits based upon one per cent or voluntary contributions, provided no cost of living allowance shall exceed six per cent and provided further, if the total return earned by the trustees on the market value of the pension assets for the preceding fiscal year is less than [eight

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and one-half] six and nine-tenths per cent, any cost of living allowance granted shall not exceed one and one-half per cent.

(2) A member entering the retirement system commencing on or after July 1, 2007, or such member's successor beneficiary, except a person receiving survivor's benefits, shall, beginning the first day of January or July that follows nine months in retirement, be eligible for an annual cost of living allowance as follows: The cost of living allowance shall be calculated by using the percentage cost of living adjustment granted by the Social Security Administration for the applicable year, computed on the basis of the retirement benefits to which such retired member or successor beneficiary was entitled on the last day of the preceding December or June, as applicable, except benefits based upon one per cent or voluntary contributions, provided (A) no cost of living allowance shall exceed five per cent, and (B) if the total return earned by the trustees on the market value of the pension assets for the preceding fiscal year is less than [eight and one-half] six and nine-tenths per cent, any cost of living allowance granted shall not exceed one per cent, if such total return for the preceding fiscal year is greater than [eight and one-half] six and nine-tenths per cent but less than [eleven and one-half] nine and nine-tenths per cent, any cost of living allowance granted shall not exceed three per cent, and if such return exceeds [eleven and one-half] nine and nine-tenths per cent, any cost of living allowance granted shall not exceed five per cent.

Sec. 2. Subsection (d) of section 4-66k of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(d) There is established a regionalization subaccount within the regional planning incentive account. If the Connecticut Lottery Corporation offers online its existing lottery draw games through the corporation's Internet web site, online service or mobile application, and after any payment to the Connecticut Teachers' Retirement Fund Bonds

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Special Capital Reserve Fund required pursuant to section 12-182, the revenue from such online offering that exceeds an amount equivalent to the costs of the debt-free community college program under section 10a-174 shall be [deposited in] transferred to the subaccount, or, if such online offering is not established, the amount provided under subsection (b) of section 364 of public act 19-117 for regionalization initiatives shall be deposited in the subaccount. Moneys in the subaccount shall be expended only for the purposes recommended by the task force established under section 4-66s.

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