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2011-2012 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 3, 2011

Introduced by Sen. ZELDIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Civil Service and Pensions

AN ACT in relation to granting Robert V. Vassallo, Sr. disability retirement from the New York state police

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, Robert V. Vassallo, Sr., who was employed as a correction officer with the depart-3 ment of correctional services for the state of New York for approximately one year beginning in 1968, and who was employed as a correction 5 officer with the department of correction for the city of New York for 6 approximately one year until September 10, 1970, and who was employed as a police officer with the New York state parkway police for the period 7 beginning September 10, 1970 and ending January 1, 1980, and who was 8 9 employed as a trooper with the New York state police for the period beginning January 1, 1980 and ending March 1, 1990, and who was employed 10 as an investigator in the bureau of criminal investigation with the New 11 12 state police for the period beginning March 1, 1990 and ending 13 September 13, 1997, and who, on January 14, 1991, was critically injured in an automobile accident while working undercover in an unmarked police 14 car, and, as a result of such critical injuries has been unable to 15 return to work with the New York state police, and who, for reasons not 16 17 ascribable to his own negligence, has been denied a disability retirement from the New York state police, and who, as of the effective date 18 19 of this act, is on regular service retirement, shall be entitled to a 20 disability retirement from the New York state police effective September 1997, the date on which his regular service retirement benefits 21 began, if on or before December 31, 2011, he files a written request 22 23 with the state comptroller to that effect.

24 S 2. All costs associated with the implementation of this act shall be 25 borne by the state.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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S 3. This act shall take effect immediately. FISCAL NOTE.--Pursuant to Legislative Law, Section 50:

This bill will entitle Robert V. Vassallo, a retired New York State Police Officer, to receive a disability benefit from the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System effective September 13, 1997.

If this bill is enacted, there will be an immediate past service cost of approximately \$21,600 which would be borne by the State of New York as a one time payment. This estimate is based on the assumption that payment will be made on March 1, 2012.

This estimate, dated April 20, 2011, and intended for use only during the 2011 Legislative Session, is Fiscal Note No. 2011-169, prepared by the Actuary for the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System.