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Introduced by Sen. GOLDEN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law and the retirement and social security law, in relation to increasing certain special accidental death benefits

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

1	Section 1. Subdivision c of section 208-f of the general municipal
2	law, as amended by chapter 439 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read
3	as follows:
4	c. Commencing July first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN the special acci-
5	dental death benefit paid to a widow or widower or the deceased member's
6	children under the age of eighteen or, if a student, under the age of
7	twenty-three, if the widow or widower has died, shall be escalated by
8	adding thereto an additional percentage of the salary of the deceased
9	member (as increased pursuant to subdivision b of this section) in
10	accordance with the following schedule:
11	calendar year of death
12	of the deceased member
13	1977 or prior
14	1978
15	1979
16	1980
17	1981
18	1982
19	1983
20	1984
21	1985
22	1986
23	1987
24	1988

per centum	
[165.2%]	173.2%
[157.5%]	165.2%
[150.0%]	157.5%
[142.7%]	150.0%
[135.7%]	142.7%
[128.8%]	135.7%
[122.1%]	128.8%
[115.7%]	122.1%
[109.4%]	115.7%
[103.3%]	109.4%
[97.4%]	103.3%
[91.6%]	97.4%

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

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1	1989	[86.0%]	91.6%
2	1990	[80.6%]	86.0%
3	1991	[75.4%]	80.6%
4	1992	[70.2%]	75.4%
5	1993	[65.3%]	70.2%
6	1994	[60.5%]	65.3%
7	1995	[55.8%]	60.5%
8	1996	[51.3%]	55.8%
9	1997	[46.9%]	51.3%
10	1998	[42.6%]	46.9%
11	1999	[38.4%]	42.6%
12	2000	[34.4%]	38.4%
13	2001	[30.5%]	34.4%
14	2002	[26.7%]	30.5%
15	2003	[23.0%]	26.7%
16	2004	[19.4%]	23.0%
17	2005	[15.9%]	19.4%
18	2006	[12.6%]	15.9%
19	2007	[9.3%]	12.6%
20	2008	[6.1%]	9.3%
21	2009	[3.0%]	6.1%
22	2010	[0.0%]	3.0%
23	2011		0.0%

S 2. Subdivision c of section 361-a of the retirement and social security law, as amended by chapter 439 of the laws of 2010, is amended to read as follows:

c. Commencing July first, two thousand [ten] ELEVEN the special accidental death benefit paid to a widow or widower or the deceased member's children under the age of eighteen or, if a student, under the age of twenty-three, if the widow or widower has died, shall be escalated by adding thereto an additional percentage of the salary of the deceased member, as increased pursuant to subdivision b of this section, in accordance with the following schedule:

calendar year of death of the deceased member	per centum
1977 or prior	[165.2%] 173.2%
1978	[157.5%] 165.2%
1979	[150.0%] 157.5%
1980	[142.7%] 150.0%
1981	[135.7%] 142.7%
1982	[128.8%] 135.7%
1983	[122.1%] 128.8%
1984	[115.7%] 122.1%
1985	[109.4%] 115.7%
1986	[103.3%] 109.4%
1987	[97.4%] 103.3%
1988	[91.6%] 97.4%
1989	[86.0%] 91.6%
1990	[80.6%] 86.0%
1991	[75.4%] 80.6%
1992	[70.2%] 75.4%
1993	[65.3%] 70.2%
1994	[60.5%] 65.3%
1995	[55.8%] 60.5%
1996	[51.3%] 55.8%
1997	[46.9%] 51.3%

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14	2011		0.0%

15 S 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.

Fiscal Note.--This bill would amend both the General Municipal Law and the Retirement and Social Security Law to increase the Salary used in the computation of the special accidental death benefit by 3% in cases where the date of death was before 2011.

Insofar as this bill would amend the Retirement and Social Security Law, it is estimated that there would be an additional annual cost of approximately \$372,000 above the approximately \$8.3 million current annual cost of this benefit. This cost would be shared by the State of New York and all participating employers of the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System.

This estimate, dated January 3, 2011 and intended for use only during the 2011 Legislative Session, is Fiscal Note No. 2011-26, prepared by the Actuary for the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System.