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April 6, 2009

Introduced by M. of A. McENENY -- read once and referred to the Committee on Governmental Employees

AN ACT in relation to the death benefit payable to the widow of Garry L. Veeder

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

Section 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, Donna Veeder, the widow of Garry L. Veeder, shall be hereby eligible to change the date of retirement of her husband, who was employed as a state police forensic scientist 3, to April 30, 2008, if she shall, on or before December 31, 2009, file a written request with the state comptroller electing to receive such benefit. Any retirement benefits to be received due to the change in date of retirement of Garry L. Veeder shall be offset by any retirement benefits already received by his beneficiary.

S 2. Any costs associated with the implementation of this act shall be borne by the state of New York.

S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL NOTE.-- Pursuant to Legislative Law, Section 50:

This bill would deem Garry L Veeder, who died May 23, 2008 and who had previously filed an application to retire with a service retirement effective May 30, 2008, to have retired with a service retirement on April 30, 2008. Donna Veeder, the widow of Garry L Veeder, would be entitled to a lifetime pension and a lump sum post retirement death benefit. This would be paid in lieu of the ordinary death benefit which has already been paid.

If this bill is enacted, there would be a one-time cost to the State of New York of approximately $413,000. This estimate is based on the assumption that payment will be made on March 1, 2010.

This estimate, dated March 26, 2009, and intended for use only during the 2009 Legislative Session, is Fiscal Note No. 2009-135 prepared by the Actuary for the NYS & LERS.

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

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