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

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

AN ACT to authorize the village of Quogue, in the county of Suffolk to offer an optional twenty year retirement plan to police officer Robert J. Hammel

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

1     Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary,  
2     the village of Quogue, in the county of Suffolk, a participating employ-  
3     er in the New York state and local police and fire retirement system,  
4     which previously elected to offer the optional twenty year retirement  
5     plan, established pursuant to section 384-d of the retirement and social  
6     security law, to police officers employed by such town, is hereby  
7     authorized to make participation in such plan available to patrolman  
8     Robert J. Hammel, registration number OB01367-1, a police officer  
9     employed by the village of Quogue, who, for reasons not ascribable to  
10    his own negligence, failed to make a timely application to participate  
11    in such optional twenty year retirement plan. The village of Quogue may  
12    so elect by filing with the state comptroller, on or before December 31,  
13    2013, a resolution of its town board together with certification that  
14    such police officer did not bar himself from participation in such  
15    retirement plan as a result of his own negligence. Thereafter, such  
16    police officer may elect to be covered by the provisions of section  
17    384-d of the retirement and social security law, and shall be entitled  
18    to the full rights and benefits associated with coverage under such  
19    section, by filing a request to that effect with the state comptroller  
20    on or before June 30, 2014.

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

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1 S 2. All past costs associated with implementing the provisions of  
2 this act shall be borne by the village of Quogue and may be amortized  
3 over a five-year period.

4 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

This bill will allow the Village of Quogue to reopen the provisions of Section 384-d of the Retirement and Social Security Law for police officer Robert J. Hammel.

If this legislation is enacted during the 2013 legislative session, we anticipate that there will be an increase of approximately \$7,800 in the annual contributions of the village of Quogue for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2014.

In addition to the annual contributions discussed above, there will be an immediate past service cost of approximately \$10,300, which would be borne by the Village of Quogue as a one-time payment. This estimate is based on the assumption that payment will be made on February 1, 2014. If this cost is amortized over a 5 year period, the cost for the first year would be approximately \$2,370.

Summary of relevant resources:

Data: March 31, 2012 Actuarial Year End File with distributions of membership and other statistics displayed in the 2012 Report of the Actuary and 2012 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Assumptions and Methods: 2010, 2011 and 2012 Annual Report to the Comptroller on Actuarial Assumptions, Codes Rules and Regulations of the State of New York: Audit and Control.

Market Assets and GASB Disclosures: March 31, 2012 New York State and Local Retirement System Financial Statements and Supplementary Information.

Valuations of Benefit Liabilities and Actuarial Assets: summarized in the 2012 Actuarial Valuations report.

I am a member of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Qualification Standards to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

This estimate, dated May 10, 2013, and intended for use only during the 2013 Legislative Session, is Fiscal Note No. 2013-149, prepared by the Actuary for the New York State and Local Police and Fire Retirement System.