

STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

March 5, 2018

Introduced by Sen. LARKIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Civil Service and Pensions -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to authorize the city of Newburgh, in the county of Orange, to offer an optional twenty year retirement plan to police officer Samuel Kenan Jr.

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Samuel Kenan Jr., a police officer who was previously
2 employed by the city of Newburgh, in the county of Orange, a participat-
3 ing employer in the New York state and local police and fire retirement
4 system, and who is currently employed by the city of Peekskill, for
5 reasons not ascribable to his own negligence failed to make a timely
6 application to participate in the optional twenty year retirement plan
7 established pursuant to section 384-d of the retirement and social secu-
8 rity law while employed by the city of Newburgh. Notwithstanding any
9 other provision of law to the contrary, upon the city of Newburgh filing
10 with the state comptroller, within one year of the effective date of
11 this act, a resolution of the city council together with certification
12 that such police officer did not bar himself from participation in such
13 retirement plan as a result of his own negligence, such police officer
14 may elect to be granted full credit in the special twenty year plan for
15 such service rendered with the city of Newburgh by filing a request to
16 that effect with the state comptroller within eighteen months of the
17 effective date of this act.

18 § 2. All past service costs associated with implementing the
19 provisions of this act shall be borne by the cities of Newburgh and
20 Peekskill. The city of Newburgh shall be responsible for twenty percent
21 of such costs and the city of Peekskill shall be responsible for the
22 remaining eighty percent.

23 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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

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This bill will allow service rendered by former City of Newburgh police officer Samuel Kenan Jr. to become creditable under the provisions of section 384-d of the Retirement and Social Security Law. While an employee of the city, Officer Kenan was covered under the provisions of section 375-i. Officer Kenan is currently employed by the City of Peekskill and covered under 384-d.

If this bill is enacted, will be a past service cost of \$149,000 to be shared by the City of Newburgh and the City of Peekskill. The City of Newburgh will be responsible for a one-time payment in the amount of \$29,800. The City of Peekskill will be responsible for a one-time payment in the amount of \$119,200. This cost assumes a payment date of February 1, 2019.

There will not be any increase in the future annual costs as the member continues to be covered by 384-d.

Summary of relevant resources:

The membership data used in measuring the impact of the proposed change was the same as that used in the March 31, 2017 actuarial valuation. Distributions and other statistics can be found in the 2017 Report of the Actuary and the 2017 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

The actuarial assumptions and methods used are described in the 2015, 2016, and 2017 Annual Report to the Comptroller on Actuarial Assumptions, and the Codes Rules and Regulations of the State of New York: Audit and Control.

The Market Assets and GASB Disclosures are found in the March 31, 2017 New York State and Local Retirement System Financial Statements and Supplementary Information.

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 April 25, 2018, and intended for use only during the 2018 Legislative Session, is Fiscal Note No. 2018-85, prepared by the Actuary for the New York State and Local Retirement System.