STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN SENATE

May 15, 2026

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

AN ACT relating to authorizing Aileen Colon, the widow of Santiago Francisco Mayol, to file a new service retirement application and option election form on behalf of her spouse

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, Aileen Colon, the widow of Santiago Francisco Mayol, who was a member of the New York city teachers' retirement system and who died suddenly after giving notice to his employer of his pending retirement but prior to filing for retirement, shall be authorized to file a new service retirement application and option election form on behalf of her deceased husband with a joint allowance full option, if, within one year of the effective date of this act, she shall submit a request therefor to the retirement board as defined in subdivision 3 of section 13-501 of the New York city administrative code. In addition, Santiago Francisco Mayol's date of retirement shall be deemed to have been September 21st, 2024. Once such application is received, any rights or benefits to the death benefit payable upon the death of a member in service pursuant to section 606 of the retirement and social security law shall be waived. Any amounts paid by the New York city teachers' retirement system as the result of the death of Santiago Francisco Mayol prior to the filing of the request for a service retirement benefit pursuant to this section shall be deducted from such benefit payable thereafter.

§ 2. Any additional costs as a result of this act shall be paid by the city of New York.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

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