STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 15, 2025

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

AN ACT to amend the retirement and social security law, in relation to providing a heart disease presumption for certain members employed by the Triborough bridge and tunnel authority

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

Section 1. The retirement and social security law is amended by adding a new section 607-m to read as follows:

§ 607-m. Disabilities of Triborough bridge and tunnel members in certain cases. 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general, special or local law or administrative code to the contrary, but except for the purposes of the workers' compensation law and the labor law, any condition of impairment of health caused by diseases of the heart, resulting in total or partial disability or death to a member employed by the Triborough bridge and tunnel authority as a bridge and tunnel officer, sergeant or lieutenant in a non-managerial position or any retired member of such authority who has been retired directly from service as a bridge and tunnel officer, sergeant or lieutenant in a non-managerial position for five or less years, who successfully passed a physical examination on entry into such service or subsequent thereto, which examination failed to reveal any evidence of such condition, shall be presumptive evidence that it was incurred in the performance and discharge of duty, unless the contrary be proved by competent evidence.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a member employed by the Triborough bridge and tunnel authority as a bridge and tunnel officer, sergeant or lieutenant in a non-managerial position retiring pursuant to the provisions of subdivision one of this section shall receive a pension equal to three-fourths of their final average salary, and a retired member of such authority who has been retired directly from service as a bridge and tunnel officer, sergeant or lieutenant in a

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

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non-managerial position for five or less years and would have been able to retire pursuant to the provisions of subdivision one of this section if such subdivision had been in force at the time of such retired member's retirement, shall be entitled to receive a pension equal to three-fourths of their final average salary and have their pension recalculated commencing with the later of the effective date of this section or the first day that diseases of the heart resulted in the full or partial disability of such retired member.

§ 2. All past service costs associated with implementing the provisions of this act shall be borne by the city of New York.

§ 3. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, none of the provisions of this act shall be subject to the appropriation requirement of section 25 of the retirement and social security law.

§ 4. This act shall take effect immediately.