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SYNOPSIS

Removes certain limitations on receipt of retirement or death benefits under PFRS under certain circumstances.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Budget Committee on June 26, 2025, with amendments.

(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 6/30/2025)

1 AN ACT concerning certain limitations on the receipt of retirement
2 or death benefits granted under the Police and Firemen's
3 Retirement System and supplementing P.L.1944, c.255
4 (C.43:16A-1 et seq.).
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6 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
7 *of New Jersey:*
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9 1. a. Notwithstanding any law, rule, or regulation to the
10 contrary, the Board of Trustees of the Police and Firemen's
11 Retirement System of New Jersey shall not hold in abeyance the
12 retirement or death benefits to which a member of the Police and
13 Firemen's Retirement System is entitled on the basis of any
14 ongoing civil litigation to which the member is a party ¹**【or that**
15 **concerns the members employment】**^{1 2}, except that the board may
16 hold in abeyance such benefits on the basis of civil litigation in
17 which the member is challenging a final determination of the board
18 to deny or adjust the member's benefits².

19 b. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the board's
20 authority to hold in abeyance the retirement or death benefits to
21 which the member is entitled when a member is subject to criminal
22 charges or dismissed from public employment due to administrative
23 charges.

24 c. The board shall have the authority to adjust the member's
25 retirement or death benefits based upon the disposition of any legal
26 proceeding to which the member was a party.
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28 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **【thus】** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AAP committee amendments adopted March 20, 2025.

²Assembly ABU committee amendments adopted June 26, 2025.