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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Governmental Operations, Reform, Technology and Elections

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to retirement; Minnesota State Retirement System and Public Employees
1.3 Retirement Association; providing annuity back payments to a certain annuitant
1.4 who was not timely accorded a combined service annuity.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. **MSRS-GENERAL AND PERA-GENERAL; ANNUITY BACK**
1.7 **PAYMENTS.**

1.8 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of Minnesota Statutes, sections 352.115,
1.9 subdivision 8, and 353.29, subdivision 7, to the contrary, an eligible annuitant described in
1.10 paragraph (b) is entitled to a back payment of annuities from the general state employees
1.11 retirement plan of the Minnesota State Retirement System and from the general employees
1.12 retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association as provided in paragraph
1.13 (c). The back payments are intended to correct the consequences of any negligence or
1.14 error of the retirement plans in failing to promptly implement a combined service annuity.

1.15 (b) An eligible annuitant is a person who:

1.16 (1) was born on April 1, 1947;

1.17 (2) was employed by Clearwater County and was covered by the general employees
1.18 retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association in 1968, 1969, and 1970;

1.19 (3) was employed by the Rural Minnesota Concentrated Employment Program
1.20 in 1970;

1.21 (4) was employed by the state of Minnesota by the Department of Human Services
1.22 or its predecessor from 1970 to 2004; and

1.23 (5) retired from state employment under the rule of 90 on April 20, 2004.

2.1 (c) The back payments are the amount of the annuity of the eligible annuitant from
2.2 the general employees retirement plan of the Public Employees Retirement Association for
2.3 eight months, representing the period May 1, 2004, to December 31, 2004, plus compound
2.4 interest on the total amount at the rate of 8.5 percent from September 1, 2004, to the date
2.5 of payment, and the amount of the increase in the annuity of the eligible annuitant from
2.6 the general state employees retirement plan of the Minnesota State Retirement System
2.7 on account of Minnesota Statutes, section 356.30, for 20 months, representing the period
2.8 May 1, 2004, to December 31, 2005, plus compound interest on the total amount at the
2.9 rate of 8.5 percent from May 1, 2005, to the date of payment.

2.10 Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2.11 Section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.