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larly enrolled member of a volunteer fire department who is engaged in the hazards of fire fighting;

- (h) A good samaritan who complies with the request or direction of a peace officer to assist the officer; and
- (i) A reserve police officer or a reserve deputy sheriff acting under the supervision and authority of a political subdivision.

[For text of subds 3 and 4, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 50 s 44 ]

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#### 353.01 Definitions.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.1978]

- Subd. 2a. **Included employees.** The following persons are included in the meaning of "public employee":
  - (a) Elected or appointed officers and employees of elected officers.
  - (b) District court reporters.
  - (c) Officers and employees of the public employees retirement association.
  - (d) Employees of the League of Minnesota Cities.
- (e) Officers and employees of public hospitals, owned or operated by or an integral part of, any governmental subdivision or governmental subdivisions.
- (f) Employees of a school district who receive separate salaries for driving their own buses.
  - (g) Employees of the Association of Minnesota Counties.
  - (h) Employees of the Metropolitan Inter-County Council.
  - (i) Employees of the Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association.
- (j) Elected or appointed officers and employees of the city of Minneapolis, or any of the boards, departments or commissions operated as a department of the city of Minneapolis or independently if financed in whole or in part by funds of the city of Minneapolis, if the officer's assumption of the position or the employee's employment initially commences on or after July 1, 1979.
- (k) Employees of the metropolitan airports commission if employment initially commences on or after July 1, 1979.
- (l) Employees of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund, if employment initially commences on or after July 1, 1979.
- (m) Employees of special school district number 1 who are not members of the Minneapolis teachers retirement fund association if employment initially commences on or after July 1, 1979.
- Subd. 2b. Excluded employees. The following persons are excluded from the meaning of "public employee":

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- (a) Persons employed for professional services where such service is incidental to regular professional duties.
  - (b) Election officers.
  - (c) Independent contractors and their employees.
- (d) Patient and inmate help in governmental subdivision charitable, penal and correctional institutions.
- (e) Members of boards, commissions, bands and others who serve the governmental subdivision intermittently.
- (f) Employees who hold positions of an essentially temporary or seasonal character, provided such employment does not continue for a period in excess of 120 working days in any calendar year. Immediately following the expiration of such 120 working days if such employees continue in public service and earn in excess of \$250 in any one calendar month, the department heads must then report all such employees for membership and must cause employee contributions to be made on behalf of such employees in accordance with section 353.27, subdivision 4, and they shall remain members until termination of public service.
- (g) Part-time employees other than firefighters who receive monthly compensation not exceeding \$250, and part-time employees other than firefighters and elected officials whose annual compensation is stipulated in advance to be not more than \$3,000 per year, except that members shall continue their membership until termination of public service.
- (h) Persons who first occupy an elected office after March 1, 1978, the compensation for which does not exceed \$250 per month.
- (i) Emergency employees who are employed by reason of work caused by fire, flood, storm or similar disaster.
- (j) Employees who by virtue of their employment are required to contribute to any other pension, relief or retirement fund established for the benefit of officers and employees of a governmental subdivision, except as an act of the legislature has specifically enabled participation by employees of a designated governmental subdivision in a plan supplemental to the public employees retirement association; provided that this clause shall not prevent a person from contributing to the public employees retirement association and also belonging to or contributing to another public pension fund for other service occurring during the same period of time.
- (k) Police matrons employed in a police department of any city who are transferred to the jurisdiction of a joint city and county detention and corrections authority.
- (l) Chaplains and nuns who have taken a vow of poverty as members of a religious order.
- (m) Full-time students who are enrolled and are regularly attending classes at an accredited school, college or university; provided, no person employed full-time by a governmental subdivision shall be exempt under this paragraph.
- (n) Resident physicians, medical interns and pharmacist interns who are serving in public hospitals.
- (o) Appointed or elected officers, paid entirely on a fee basis, and who were not members on June 30, 1971.
- (p) Nothing in Laws 1973, Chapter 753 shall be interpreted to impair or revoke any option exercised under Laws 1963, Chapter 793.
- (q) Persons employed in subsidized on-the-job training, work experience or public service employment as enrollees under the federal comprehensive employment and training act from and after March 30, 1978, unless the person has as of the later of March 30, 1978 or the date of employment sufficient service credit in the retirement fund to meet the minimum vesting requirements for a deferred retirement annuity, or the employer agrees in writing on forms prescribed by the executive director to make the required employer contributions, including any employer additional contributions, on account of that person from revenue sources other than funds provided under the federal comprehensive training and employment act, or the person agrees in writing on forms

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prescribed by the executive director to make the required employer contributions in addition to the required employee contribution.

- (r) Town, city or county assessors elected or appointed pursuant to chapter 273 who do not receive compensation in excess of \$250 per month from any one employing governmental subdivision or who are employed pursuant to an employment contract which sets forth the total compensation to be paid and the length of service, not to exceed three months in duration, required for the performance of the contract and which was entered into in advance of the commencement of employment.
  - (s) Volunteer firefighters as defined in subdivision 34.

[For text of subds 3 to 8, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 10. Salary. "Salary" means the periodical compensation of any public employee, before deductions for deferred compensation or supplemental retirement plans, and also means "wages" and includes net income from fees. Lump sum annual leave payments and severance payments shall not be deemed to be salary. Prior to the time that all sick leave has been used amounts paid to an employee, under a disability insurance policy where the employer paid the premiums, shall be considered salary; after all such sick leave has been used, such payment shall not be considered salary. Workers' compensation payments are not salary.

[For text of subds 11 to 15, see M.S.1978]

## Subd. 16. Allowable service. "Allowable service" means:

- (1) Service during years of actual membership in the course of which employee contributions were currently made; periods covered by payments in lieu of salary deductions made as provided in section 353.35, and service in years during which the public employee was not a member but for which he later elected, while a member, to obtain credit by making payments to the fund as permitted by any law then in effect.
- (2) Any period of authorized leave of absence with pay from which deductions for employee contributions are made, deposited, and credited to the fund.
- (3) Any period of authorized leave of absence without pay which does not exceed one year, and during or for which a member obtained credit by payments to the fund made in lieu of salary deductions, provided that such payments are made in an amount or amounts based on his average salary on which deductions were paid (a) for the last six months of public service, or (b) that portion of the last six months while he was in public service, to apply to the period in either case immediately preceding commencement of such leave of absence; provided, however, that if the employee elects to pay employee contributions for the period of any leave of absence without pay, or for any portion thereof, he shall also, as a condition to the exercise of such election, pay to the fund an amount equivalent to both the required employer and additional employer contributions therefor, such payment to be made currently or within one year from the date the leave of absence terminates, unless the employer by appropriate action of its governing body and made a part of its official records, prior to the date of the first payment of such employee contribution, certifies to the association in writing that it will cause to be paid such employer and additional employer contributions from the proceeds of a tax levy made pursuant to section 353.28. Payments under this clause shall include interest at the rate of six percent per annum from the date of the termination of the leave of absence to the date payment is made.
- (4) Any period during which a member is on an authorized sick leave of absence, with or without pay, or an authorized temporary layoff.
- (5) Any period during which a member is on an authorized leave of absence to enter military service, provided that the member returns to public service upon discharge from military service pursuant to section 192.262, and pays into the fund employee contributions based upon his salary at the date of return from military service. The amount of these contributions shall be in accord with the contribution rates and salary limitations, if any, in effect during such leave, plus interest thereon at six percent per annum compounded annually from the date of return to public service to the date payment is

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made. In such cases the matching employer contribution and additional employer contribution provided in section 353.27, subdivisions 3 and 3a, shall be paid by the department employing such member upon his return to public service and the governmental subdivision involved is hereby authorized to appropriate money therefor. Such member shall not receive credit for any voluntary extension of military service at the instance of the member beyond the initial period of enlistment, induction or call to active duty.

[For text of subds 17 to 24, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 27. **Benefit.** "Benefit" means a monthly survivor benefit paid or payable by the fund to a surviving spouse or a dependent child and also includes a monthly disability benefit paid or payable by the fund to a member who is totally and permanently disabled.

[For text of subds 28 to 33, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 34. Volunteer firefighter. A volunteer firefighter is any person who serves on a regular basis as an active member of a municipal fire department or an independent nonprofit firefighting corporation, who actually receives annual compensation from hourly wage payments for service as a firefighter in an amount which does not exceed \$3,000 and who is annually stipulated by the employing municipality or independent nonprofit firefighting corporation in advance on a form prescribed by the executive director as not being eligible during the year for annual compensation from hourly wage payments for service as a firefighter in excess of \$3,000.

[ 1979 c 216 s 1-4,21; 1979 c 303 art 6 s 5 ]

## 353.017 Employees of labor organizations.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 2. **Election.** A person described in subdivision 1 will be covered by the association if written election to be covered is delivered to the board within 30 days of being employed by such labor organization.

[For text of subds 3 to 5, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 216 s 5 ]

# 353.023 Transfer of pension coverage of Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund coordinated program.

Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, as of July 1, 1979, all active members of the coordinated program of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund established pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 1978, Sections 422A.30 to 422A.39, shall cease to be members of the program of that fund and shall cease to have any accrual of service credit, rights, or benefits under the benefit plan of that program. From and after July 1, 1979, all active members of the coordinated program will have their retirement coverage transferred to the coordinated program of the public employees retirement association. The accrued liability for retirement coverage of these members to date shall be transferred to the coordinated program of the public employees retirement association and shall no longer be the liability of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund. Within 30 days of July 1, 1979, the board of trustees of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund shall transfer the entire assets attributable to the coordinated program of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund to the coordinated program of the public employees retirement association. The assets transferred shall be an amount equal in value to the amount of employee contributions made by coordinated program members since July 1, 1978, the amount of employer matching contributions made by an employing unit on behalf of a coordinated program member since July 1, 1978, an amount equal to the employer additional contribution for the members

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of the coordinated program, and an amount equal to the investment income earned by the fund on the invested assets of the program since July 1, 1978. The assets transferred to the public employees retirement fund shall only include securities which are proper investments pursuant to section 11.16. Within 30 days of July 1, 1979, the board of trustees and the actuary of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund shall transfer to the public employees retirement association original copies of all records and documents which are in their possession relating to the coordinated program of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund and any of its members and shall provide from time to time whatever additional relevant information which the board of trustees of the public employees retirement association may request. Upon the transfer of the assets, liabilities and records of the coordinated program of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund to the coordinated program of the public employees retirement association, the coordinated program of the Minneapolis municipal employees retirement fund shall terminate and shall cease to exist.

[ 1979 c 303 art 6 s 6 ]

# 353.03 Board of trustees.

Subdivision 1. Management; composition; election. The management of the public employees retirement fund is hereby vested in a board of trustees consisting of 15 members, who shall be known as the board of trustees. This board shall consist of four trustees, one of whom shall be designated by each of the following associations or organizations, Minnesota school boards association, League of Minnesota Cities, Association of Minnesota Counties and the executive committee of the statewide general labor organization which includes among its membership the employee organizations, as defined in section 179.63, subdivision 5, which represent the largest number of employees who are association members; nine area trustees, who shall be elected from the membership employed in one of the areas described below by the members employed in such area except members of the police and fire fund; one trustee who shall be a retired annuitant elected at large by other annuitants; and one trustee who is a member of the police and fire fund elected at large by the membership of the police and fire fund. Trustees elected by the membership of the association or by the annuitants of the association shall be elected for a term of four years. Trustees designated by an association or organization or elected or selected by the use of a procedure other than direct election by the membership of the association or by the annuitants of the association shall hold office for a term of two years or until the designation, election or selection procedure is changed, if that occurs earlier. For seven days beginning December 1 of each year, the association shall accept at its office filings in person or by mail of candidates for the board of trustees. An area candidate shall submit at the time of filing a nominating petition signed by 25 or more members of the fund from the area of the candidate, a retired annuitant candidate, a nominating petition signed by 25 or more such annuitants, and a police and fire fund candidate, a nominating petition signed by 25 or more members of such fund. No nominee may withdraw his name from nomination after December 15. By January 10 of each year in which elections are to be held the board shall distribute by mail to the members and annuitants ballots listing the candidates. No member may vote for more than one candidate but a blank line shall be provided for a write in vote. A ballot indicating a vote for more than one person shall be void. No special marking may be used on the ballot to indicate incumbents. The last day for mailing ballots to the fund shall be January 31. Except as provided in this section, all terms expire on January 31 of the fourth year, and the position shall remain vacant until the newly elected member is qualified. The ballot envelopes shall be so designed and the ballots shall be counted in such a manner as to insure that each vote is secret. For the purpose of electing the nine area trustees, the state shall be divided into three areas as follows: Area one shall include Anoka, Hennepin, Ramsey and Washington counties. Area two shall include Big Stone, Swift, Kandiyohi, Meeker and Wright counties and all counties south thereof, except counties in area one. Area three shall include all the remaining counties of the state. If any governmental unit is located in more than one area, place of employment shall be deemed to be in the area in which the main office of the governmental unit is located. Each year for three years one area trustee shall be elected to a four-year term from each area by the members employed in the respective areas. In the fourth year one trustee

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shall be elected at large by the police and fire fund membership and one trustee elected at large by the annuitants.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, in order to provide for a transition to regional elections, in the year 1978 only, a retired trustee shall be elected by the annuitants, and three trustees shall be elected from each of the three areas by the members of the area who may vote for only one candidate. The annuitant candidate receiving the most votes shall serve a three-year term, the candidate in each area receiving the largest number of votes shall serve a four-year term, the candidate in each area receiving the second largest number of votes shall serve a two-year term and the candidate in each area receiving the third largest number of votes shall serve a one-year term. The elections shall be supervised by the secretary of state. It shall be the duty of the board of trustees to faithfully administer the law without prejudice and consistent with the expressed intent of the legislature. They shall act as trustees with a fiduciary obligation to the state of Minnesota which created the fund, the taxpayers of the governmental subdivisions which aid in financing it and the public employees who are its beneficiaries.

[For text of subds 1a and 2, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 3. Officers; employees; bylaws. The board shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman, and shall appoint an executive director and other employees and may adopt bylaws, and procure other services as it may reasonably deem necessary and fix their compensation subject to subdivision 2 hereof.

[For text of subds 3a to 5, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 216 s 6,7 ]

# 353.15 Nonassignability and exemption of annuities and benefits from judicial process and taxation.

No money, annuity, or benefit provided for in this chapter is assignable or subject to a power of attorney, execution, levy, attachment, garnishment, or legal process, including actions for divorce, legal separation, and child support, or to any state estate tax. Provided, however, the association may pay an annuity, benefit or refund to a trust company, qualified under chapter 48, that is trustee for a person eligible to receive such annuity, benefit or refund. Upon the request of a retired, disabled or former member, the association may mail the annuity, benefit or refund check to a banking institution, savings association or credit union for deposit to such person's account or joint account with his spouse. The association may prescribe the conditions under which such payment will be made. If in the judgment of the executive director conditions so warrant, payment may be made to a public body in behalf of an annuitant, disabilitant, or survivor upon such terms as the executive director may prescribe.

[ 1979 c 303 art 3 s 29 ]

#### 353.16 Audit of books and accounts; insurance laws not applicable.

None of the laws of this state regulating insurance or insurance companies shall apply to the retirement association or any of its funds. The books and accounts of the association and the retirement fund shall be examined and audited annually, if funds and personnel permit, by the legislative auditor of the state and a full and detailed report thereof made to the board of trustees. The cost of such examination shall be paid by the retirement association in accordance with the provisions of section 16A.127, subdivision 7. For the purposes of this section the public employees retirement association shall be considered a state agency as referred to in section 16A.127, subdivision 7.

[ 1979 c 50 s 45 ]

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353.29 Retirement annuity upon separation from public service.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 2. Average salary. In calculating the annuity under subdivision 3, "average salary" means an amount equivalent to the average of a member's highest salary upon which employee contributions were paid for any five successive years of allowable service, based on dates of salary periods as listed on salary deduction reports.

[For text of subds 3 to 7, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 8. Annuities; payment; evidence of receipt. Payment of any annuity or benefit for a given month shall be mailed by the association to the annuitant, recipient of a disability benefit, or survivor, during the first week of that month. Evidence of receipt of every warrant issued by the association in payment of an annuity or benefit shall be submitted by the payee thereof to the association semi-annually, together with a written declaration that the annuitant or recipient of a disability benefit has or has not returned to public service; that the surviving dependent spouse has or has not remarried; and shall be furnished on forms provided by the executive director thereof, before the association shall pay to the annuitant, disability recipient, or survivor for the next ensuing month, the annuity or benefit to which he otherwise may be entitled.

[ 1979 c 216 s 8,9 ]

#### 353.31 Survivor benefits.

(a) Surviving spouse

Subdivision 1. Benefits for surviving spouse and dependent children; before retirement. Upon the death of a "basic member" before retirement or upon the death of a "basic member" who was disabled and receiving disability benefits pursuant to section 353.33 at the time of his death who has had at least 18 months of credited allowable service, his surviving spouse and dependent children, as defined in section 353.01, subdivisions 15 and 20, shall receive the monthly benefit provided below:

monthly average salary in
effect over the last full
six months of allowable
service preceding death
10 percent of the member's

monthly average salary in effect over the last full six months of allowable service preceding death

30 percent of the member's

Payments for the benefit of any dependent child, as defined in section 353.01, subdivision 15, shall be made to the surviving parent, or if there be none, to the legal guardian of such child. The maximum monthly benefit for any one family shall not exceed \$450, and the minimum benefit per family shall not be less than 30 percent of the "basic member's" said average salary, subject to the aforementioned maximum. The surviving spouse benefit shall terminate upon his or her remarriage, and the dependent children's benefit shall be reduced pro tanto when any child is no longer dependent.

Any survivor of a "basic member" whose average salary was less than \$75 per month shall not be entitled to the benefits provided in this subdivision.

Under the terms of this subdivision there are no survivor benefits, as such, payable to the surviving spouse or dependent children of any deceased "coordinated member".

[For text of subds 8 and 9, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 216 s 10 ]

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#### 353.32 Refunds after death of member or former member.

Subdivision 1. **Before retirement.** If a member or former member who terminated public service after June 30, 1973, dies before retirement or before he has received any retirement annuity and no other payment of any kind is or may become payable to any person, a refund shall be paid to his designated beneficiary or, if there be none, to his surviving spouse, or, if none, to the legal representative of his estate. Such refund shall be in an amount equal to his accumulated deductions plus interest thereon at the rate of 3-1/2 percent per annum compounded annually less the sum of any disability or survivor benefits, if any, that may have been paid by the fund; provided that a survivor who has a right to benefits pursuant to section 353.31 may waive such benefits in writing, except such benefits for a dependent child under the age of 18 years may only be waived pursuant to an order of the district court.

[For text of subds 1a and 2, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 3. Optional survivor annuities; designated beneficiary. If a former member selected an optional annuity by the terms of which an optional survivor's annuity was paid to a survivor after his death, upon the death of the survivor there shall be paid to the former member's designated beneficiary a refund of his accumulated deductions less the total payments of all kinds made by the fund to the former member during his lifetime or to any authorized person after his death. If said beneficiary should die before making application for such refund, the same shall be paid to the legal representative of the estate of the former member.

[For text of subds 4 and 5, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 9. Payment to a minor. If a member or former member dies having named as his beneficiary a person who is a minor at the time of the application for refund and the amount of the refund does not exceed \$1,500, exclusive of interest, the board of trustees in the absence of guardianship proceedings may make payment to the natural guardian having custody of such minor beneficiary, for the benefit of such child. Any annuity or disability benefit payable at the time of death of an annuitant or recipient of a disability benefit, which is payable to a beneficiary who is a minor, may be paid in the same manner. Such payment shall be a bar to recovery by any other person or persons.

[ 1979 c 216 s 11-13 ]

## 353.33 Total and permanent disability benefits.

Subdivision 1. Age, service and salary requirements. Any member who becomes totally and permanently disabled before age 65 and after ten years of allowable service or after age 50 but before age 65 with five years of allowable service, whichever is sooner, shall be entitled to a disability benefit in an amount provided in subdivision 3. If such disabled person's public service has terminated at any time, at least five of the required ten years of allowable service must have been rendered after last becoming a member. Any member whose average salary is less than \$75 per month shall not be entitled to a disability benefit. No repayment of a refund otherwise authorized pursuant to section 353.34 and no purchase of prior service or payment made in lieu of salary deductions otherwise authorized pursuant to sections 353.01, subdivision 16, 353.017, subdivision 4, or 353.36, subdivision 2 may be made after the occurrence of the disability for which an application pursuant to this section is filed.

[For text of subds 2 to 11, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 216 s 14 ]

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## 353.34 Termination of public service.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 3. **Deferred annuity; eligibility; computation.** Any person with at least ten years of allowable service when termination of public service occurs may at his option leave his accumulated deductions in the fund and thereby be entitled to a deferred annuity commencing at age 65, except that any person who terminates public service after June 30, 1973, may qualify for early retirement under section 353.30. The deferred annuity shall be computed in the manner provided in section 353.29, subdivisions 2 and 3, on the basis of the law in effect on the date of termination of public service and shall be augmented as provided in section 353.71, subdivision 2. Such person may revoke this option at any time prior to the commencement of deferred annuity payments by making application for a refund. Such person shall be entitled to a refund of his accumulated deductions within 30 days following date of receipt of such application by the executive director of the association.

[For text of subds 5 and 6, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 216 s 15 ]

## 353.35 Consequences of refund; repayment, rights restored.

When any former member accepts a refund all existing service credits and all rights and benefits to which the member was entitled prior to the acceptance of such refund shall terminate and shall not again be restored until the member acquires not less than 18 months allowable service credit subsequent to taking his last refund and repays all refunds taken and interest received under section 353.34, subdivisions 1 and 2, plus interest at six percent per annum compounded annually. If more than one refund has been taken, all refunds must be repaid by the member with interest at six percent per annum compounded annually.

[ 1979 c 216 s 16 ]

#### 353.64 Membership; qualifications; police officer, firefighter.

Subdivision 1. Any person who prior to July 1, 1961, was a member of the police and fire fund, by virtue of being a police officer or firefighter, shall as long as he remains in either position, be deemed to continue his membership in said fund. Any person who was employed by a governmental subdivision as a police officer and was a member of the police and fire fund on July 1, 1978 by virtue of being a police officer as defined by this section on that date shall be entitled, if employed by the same governmental subdivision in a position in the same department in which the person was employed on that date, to continue membership in the fund whether or not that person has the power of arrest by warrant after that date. Any other employee serving on a full-time basis as a police officer or firefighter on or after July 1, 1961, shall become a member of the public employees police and fire fund. Any employee serving on less than a full-time basis as a police officer, as determined by the rules which shall be prescribed by the board of trustees on or before January 1, 1980, shall become a member of the public employees police and fire fund only after a resolution is adopted by the governing body of the governmental subdivision employing the person declaring that the position which the person holds is that of a police officer. Any employee serving on less than a full-time basis as a firefighter, other than a volunteer firefighter as defined in section 353.01, subdivision 34, as determined by rules which shall be prescribed by the board of trustees on or before January 1, 1980, shall become a member of the public employees police and fire fund only after a resolution is adopted by the governing body of the governmental subdivision employing the person declaring that the position which the person holds is that of a firefighter and that the position will be compensated at an hourly wage payment rate which will yield a salary on an annual basis in an amount in excess of \$3,000. Any police officer or firefighter who by virtue of his employment is required to contribute to any other pension, relief, or retirement fund established for the benefit of officers

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or employees of a governmental subdivision other than a volunteer firefighters relief association to which sections 69.771 to 69.776 apply shall not be a member of this fund.

[For text of subds 2 to 6, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 216 s 17; 1979 c 262 s 2 ]

353.65 Contributions.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 2. The employee contribution shall be an amount equal to eight percent of the total salary of every member. This contribution shall be made by deduction from salary in the manner provided in subdivision 4. Where any portion of a member's salary is paid from other than public funds, such member's employee contribution shall be based on the total salary received from all sources. If the member is a firefighter employed on less than a full time basis, the member's total salary shall not include any reimbursement payments for fire calls.

[For text of subds 3 to 6, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 216 s 18 ]

353.656 Disability benefits.

[For text of subd 1, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 2. Benefits paid under workers' compensation law. If a member, as described in subdivision 1, is injured under circumstances which entitle him to receive benefits under the workers' compensation law, he shall receive the same benefits as provided in subdivision 1, less all amounts paid to him under the workers' compensation law, after deduction of amount of attorney fees, authorized under applicable workers' compensation laws, paid by a disabilitant.

[For text of subds 3 to 6, see M.S.1978]

[ 1979 c 216 s 19 ]

353.71 Coverage by more than one retirement system; deferred annuity; augmentation.

[For text of subds 1 to 4, see M.S.1978]

Subd. 5. **Early retirement.** The requirements and provisions for retirement prior to age 65 contained in section 353.30, shall also apply to a person fulfilling such requirements with a combination of service as provided in subdivision 1.

[ 1979 c 216 s 20 ]

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