

No. 2000-37

AN ACT

HB 1962

Amending the act of March 30, 1811 (P.L.145, No.99), entitled "An act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to the settlement of the public accounts and the payment of the public monies, and for other purposes," authorizing voluntary early severance plans for certain employees.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The act of March 30, 1811 (P.L.145, No.99), entitled "An act to amend and consolidate the several acts relating to the settlement of the public accounts and the payment of the public monies, and for other purposes," is amended by adding a section to read:

Section VIII.4. The governing body of any political subdivision or municipal authority may, by contract, agree with any employe to a voluntary early severance plan. The voluntary early severance plan may include, but shall not be limited to, the payment of a portion of the employe's former salary for a specified period of time, the continuation of a specified level of insurance benefits, payment at a specified rate for unused vacation days, sick leave or other leave and confidential third-party counseling. Payments under a voluntary early severance plan shall not constitute compensation under the Public School Employees' Retirement System, State Employees' Retirement System or the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement Board, nor shall any such voluntary early severance plan include service credit for retirement purposes.

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 22nd day of June, A.D. 2000.

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