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1	A bill to be entitled
2	An act relating to the City of West Palm Beach, Palm
3	Beach County; amending chapter 24981 (1947), Laws of
4	Florida, as amended, relating to the West Palm Beach
5	Police Pension Fund; revising funding of share
6	accounts, member contributions, and refunds; providing
7	an effective date.
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9	Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11	Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (11) and subsection
12	(19) of section 16 of chapter 24981 (1947), Laws of Florida, as
13	amended, are amended to read:
14	Section 16. West Palm Beach Police Pension Fund
15	(11) Chapter 185 share accounts
16	(b) Share account funding
17	1. Chapter 185 moneysEach individual member account
18	shall be credited with the moneys received from chapter 185,
19	Florida Statutes, tax revenues in June 1988 and thereafter. Of
20	the Chapter 185 moneys received in calendar years 2011 $\underline{\textit{\prime}}$ and
21	2012, and 2014, the full amount will be used to reduce the
22	employee contributions to 11 percent as provided for in
23	subparagraph (19)(a)1. This is for calendar years 2011, and
24	2012, and 2014 only. Effective for the fiscal year ending
25	September 30, 2013, and beginning again October 1, 2014 <del>2013</del> ,
26	the employee contribution will <del>once again</del> be 11 percent, and <u>all</u>
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27 <u>of</u> the Chapter 185 moneys received in calendar <u>years</u> year 2013 28 <u>and 2015 and each calendar year thereafter</u> and thereafter will 29 <u>once again</u> be allocated to the share accounts.

30 2. Forfeitures.-In addition, any forfeitures as provided 31 in paragraph (e) shall be credited to the individual member 32 accounts in accordance with the formula set forth in paragraph 33 (c).

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(19) Member's contributions; refunds.-

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(a) Member's contributions.-

The member shall contribute 7 percent of his or her 36 1. 37 salary to the Fund. Effective the first full payroll period 38 after January 1, 2005, the member shall contribute 9 percent of 39 his or her salary to the Fund, which shall be deducted each pay period from the salary of each member in the Department. 40 41 Effective the first full payroll period after January 1, 2006, the member shall contribute 10 percent of his or her salary to 42 43 the Fund, which shall be deducted each pay period from the 44 salary of each member in the Department. Effective the first full payroll period after January 1, 2007, the member shall 45 46 contribute 11 percent of his or her salary to the Fund, which 47 shall be deducted each pay period from the salary of each member 48 in the Department. All amounts of member contributions that are 49 deducted shall be immediately paid over to the Pension Fund. Any 50 contribution amount over 7 percent is to be used to purchase eligibility for participation in the postretirement health 51 insurance benefits. Effective October 1, 2011, the employee 52

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contributions will be 18 percent and effective October 1, 2013, 53 54 the employee contribution will be 20 percent. Of the Chapter 185 55 moneys received in calendar years 2011, and 2012, and 2014, the 56 full amount will be used to reduce the employee contributions to 57 11 percent. Effective for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and beginning again October 1, 2014 2013, the employee 58 59 contributions will once again be 11 percent, and the Chapter 185 60 moneys received in calendar years year 2013 and 2015 and each calendar year thereafter will once again be allocated to the 61 62 share accounts. Should the Chapter 185 moneys received be 63 insufficient to reduce the member's contributions to 11 percent, then the City will make up the difference. No amount of the 64 65 Chapter 185 money is to be considered employee contributions for 66 purposes of a refund of contributions as provided for in 67 paragraph (19) (b).

The City shall cause the contributions provided for in 68 2. 69 subparagraph 1. to be deducted from the compensation of each 70 member on each payroll, for each pay period, so long as he or 71 she remains a member of the Fund. The member's contributions 72 provided for herein shall be made, notwithstanding that the 73 minimum compensation provided by law for any member is thereby 74 changed. Each member shall be deemed to consent and agree to the 75 deductions made and provided for herein. Payment of compensation, less said deductions, shall be a full and complete 76 77 discharge and acquittance of all claims and demands whatsoever for the services rendered by him or her during the period 78 Page 3 of 5

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79 covered by such payment, except as to benefits provided by this 80 act. When deducted, each of said contributions shall be paid 81 into the Fund and credited to the individual member from whose 82 compensation said deduction was made.

In addition to the contribution deducted from the 83 3. 84 compensation of a member, as hereinbefore provided, a member 85 shall deposit in the Fund, by a single contribution or by an increased rate of contribution, as approved by the Board of 86 Trustees, the amount of previously withdrawn member 87 contributions not repaid to the Fund, together with regular 88 89 interest from the date of withdrawal to the date of repayment. In no case shall any member be given credit for service rendered 90 91 prior to the date he withdrew his aggregate contributions until 92 he or she repays to the member's deposit account all amounts due 93 the account by such member.

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(b) Refund of member's contributions.-

95 Should any member cease to be employed by the City as a 1. 96 police officer and not be entitled to a pension payable from the 97 Fund, upon application to and approval by the Board, he or she 98 shall be paid the aggregate contributions standing to his or her 99 credit in the Fund, without interest, less any benefits paid to 100 him or her. In accordance with paragraph (2)(q), a member who 101 has ceased to be employed by the City as a police officer may 102 elect to voluntarily leave his or her contributions in the member's deposit account for a period of up to 5 years, pending 103 the possibility of being rehired by the Department. If the 104

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105	member is not reemployed at the expiration of 5 years following
106	the date the member ceased to be employed by the City as a
107	police officer, all contributions remaining in the member's
108	deposit account shall be refunded without interest. <u>No amount of</u>
109	the Chapter 185 money is to be considered employee contributions
110	for purposes of a refund of contributions as provided for in
111	this paragraph.
112	2. Upon the death of a member, if no pension becomes
113	payable on account of his or her death, the aggregate
114	contributions standing to the member's credit in the Fund at the
115	time of death shall be paid to his or her designated
116	beneficiary. If there be no such designated person surviving the
117	member, his or her aggregate contributions shall be paid to his
118	or her estate in accordance with subsection (17).
119	3. Repayments of refunds of a member's aggregate
120	contributions, in accordance with subsection (6) and as provided
121	in this paragraph, may be made in bimonthly installments
122	according to such rules and regulations as the Board of Trustees
123	shall from time to time adopt.
124	Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

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