

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Committee Bill No. 5609

LCO No. **5490**

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Introduced by: (LAB)

AN ACT CONCERNING RETIREMENT BENEFITS AND WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2025) Notwithstanding any 2 provision of the general statutes or special act, a municipality or special 3 taxing district that provides a pension and retirement system for its 4 officers and employees and their beneficiaries shall consider temporary 5 total disability and temporary partial disability benefits received by an employee pursuant to chapter 568 of the general statutes as wages for 6 7 purposes of the calculation of pension or retirement benefits to be paid to such employee in retirement. 8

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2025	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit employers from reducing retirement benefits due to an employee receiving workers' compensation benefits. [Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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