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SECTION 4. Every governmental unit, the employees of which are members of the retirement system of the city of Everett, shall be responsible in accordance with this section for paying such proportion of the annual debt service expense paid by said city for a bond issued under authority of this act as is equal to the proportion of the total unfunded pension liability of said retirement system allocated to such member under section 2.

Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, the public employee retirement administration commission shall increase the annual amount to be certified under section 22 of chapter 32 of the General Laws as the amount necessary to be paid by each governmental unit in said retirement system other than said city by each such governmental unit's proportionate share of the annual debt service expense as determined herein and shall decrease the amount to be paid by said city by an equal amount. Said city shall have the same legal rights and authority as the retirement board of said city to collect any amount so assessed by the retirement board to any such governmental unit.

Approved January 14, 1999.

Chapter 456. AN ACT RELATIVE TO GRANTING COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS TO NONCONTRIBUTORY RETIREES.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Subdivision (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1996 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after paragraph (o) the following paragraph:-

(o½) Any member, eligible to receive a retirement benefit pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, who served as a library trustee for a city or town, in which position he received no compensation, may establish credit for such service by depositing in the annuity savings fund of the system of which he is a member a sum equal to the amount which would have been paid into such fund during such period if such position had been compensated at the rate of \$2,500 per year, plus regular interest to the date of payment. This paragraph shall apply only to persons who served as library trustees in a city or town that accepts this paragraph, in a town by vote of the annual town meeting and in a city by vote of the city council subject to the provisions of its charter.

SECTION 2. Section 102 of said chapter 32, as most recently amended by section 7 of chapter 17 of the acts of 1997, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:-

(g) Whenever a cost of living adjustment is granted pursuant to said paragraph (a), a former employee, or spouse or other beneficiary of such employee, who is receiving a noncontributory pension from the commonwealth under the provisions of this chapter or under corresponding provisions of earlier laws or any other general or special law, shall receive the same cost of living adjustment from the commonwealth in accordance with the

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applicable provisions of this chapter or under corresponding provisions of earlier laws or any other general or special laws.

SECTION 3. Section 103 of said chapter 32, inserted by section 8 of said chapter 17 is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

(h) Whenever a cost of living adjustment is granted pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (c), a former employee of a county, city, town, district, or authority, or spouse or other beneficiary of such employee, who is receiving a noncontributory pension from such governmental unit under the provisions of this chapter or under corresponding provisions of earlier laws or any general or special law, shall receive the same cost of living adjustment from such governmental unit in accordance with the applicable provisions of this chapter or under corresponding provisions of earlier laws or any other general or special law, if the legislative body of such governmental unit accepts this paragraph by a majority vote. For purposes of this paragraph, legislative body shall mean in the case of a city the city council in accordance with its charter, in the case of a town the town meeting, in the case of a county the county retirement board advisory council, in the case of a district the district members, and in the case of an authority the governing body.

SECTION 4. The provisions of section 2 shall apply to cost of living adjustments made on or after July 1, 1998.

SECTION 5. The provisions of section 3 may apply to cost of living adjustments made on or after July 1, 1998.

Approved January 14, 1999.

Chapter 457. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE OF JOHN B. LaCLAIR.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

The provisions of paragraph (b½) of subdivision (2) of section 7 of chapter 32 of the General Laws shall not apply to John B. LaClair of the city of Leominster who shall continue to his retirement allowance in the amount provided for in paragraph (a) of said subdivision (2) of said section 7 of said chapter 32.

Approved January 14, 1999.

Chapter 458. AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF DENNIS TO CONVEY A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (c), (d), (e) and (f) of section 16 of chapter 30B of the General Laws, the town of Dennis, acting by and through