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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to optional annuity increases for certain retirees and beneficiaries of the Texas Municipal Retirement System.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  Section 853.404, Government Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

(f)  Notwithstanding Subsection (c) or any other law, the governing body of a municipality that adopts an ordinance under Section 854.203 providing for increased annuities effective January 1 of 2024 or 2025 may elect to compute the annuity increase as the sum of prior and current service annuities of the person on whose service the annuities are based on the effective date of the annuity increase multiplied by the percentage increase specified in the ordinance, except that an adjustment to the annuity after the annuity starting date for annuity increases under this subsection may not cause an annuitant's annuity to exceed the amount that the annuitant would be entitled to had the maximum amount of the annuity increase allowed under Section 854.203(b) been applied to the annuity. This subsection expires December 31, 2025.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.