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## **CHAPTER 239**

AN ACT to amend chapter 201, laws of 1937, section 11, relating to retirement systems in counties having a population of 500,000 or more, for the payment of benefits to the employes of such counties, and to the widows and children of such employes.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Chapter 201, laws of 1937, section 11 is amended to read:

(Chapter 201, laws of 1937) Section 11. All moneys and assets of the retirement system and all benefits and allowances, and every portion thereof, both before and after payment to any beneficiary, granted under the retirement system shall be exempt from any state, county or municipal tax, and from attachment or garnishment process, and shall not be seized, taken, detained or levied upon by virtue of any executions, or any process or proceeding whatsoever issued out of or by any court of this state, for the payment and ratification in whole or in part of any debt, claim, damage, demand or judgment against any member of or beneficiary under the retirement system, and no member of or beneficiary under the retirement system shall have any right to assign his benefit or allowance, or any part thereof, either by way of mortgage or otherwise, provided, however, that the annuity and pension board may at its option and under rules and regulations promulgated by it permit retired members to assign a portion of their retirement allowance for the regular monthly payment of medical, surgical and hospital care.

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