Subsection (c) of this section is new language added to clarify that a person who has elected a vested allowance may choose an optional benefit.

The only other changes are technical.

10-226. DEATH BENEFIT FOR FORMER MEMBERS.

UPON RECEIPT OF PROPER PROOF OF THE DEATH OF A FORMER MEMBER WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR A VESTED ALLOWANCE AND WHOSE DEATH OCCURS BEFORE PAYMENT OF THE VESTED ALLOWANCE COMMENCES, THE AMOUNT OF THE FORMER MEMBER'S ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE PAID TO THE BENEFICIARY THE FORMER MEMBER HAS NOMINATED BY WRITTEN DESIGNATION DULY EXECUTED AND FILED WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, OR, IF THERE IS NO DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY, THEN TO THE FORMER MEMBER'S ESTATE.

COMMITTEE NOTE: This section formerly appeared as Art. 73B, § 157B(f)(3).

The term "former member" is substituted for "person" to describe more accurately the person to whom this provision applies.

The term "vested allowance" is substituted for "vested retirement allowance" to distinguish it from allowances received on retirement.

The phrase "whose death occurs before payment of the vested allowance commences" is substituted for "dies prior to the member's effective retirement date" for clarity since a former member does not retire.

10-227. RESERVED.

10-228. RESERVED.

PART V. ELECTION TO PARTICIPATE BY A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

10-229. ELECTION TO PARTICIPATE BY A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION.

- (A) (I) IF 60 PERCENT OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS OF A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION WHO ARE MEMBERS OF A LOCAL PENSION SYSTEM ELECT TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THIS PENSION SYSTEM BY A PETITION SIGNED BY THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, THE PARTICIPATION BY THESE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MAY BE APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AS THOUGH THE LOCAL PENSION SYSTEM WERE NOT IN OPERATION AND THIS SUBTITLE SHALL APPLY.
- (II) IF 60 PERCENT OF THE FIRE FIGHTERS OF A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION WHO ARE MEMBERS OF A LOCAL PENSION SYSTEM ELECT TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THIS PENSION SYSTEM BY A PETITION SIGNED BY THE FIRE FIGHTERS, THE PARTICIPATION BY THESE FIRE FIGHTERS MAY BE APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AS THOUGH THE LOCAL PENSION SYSTEM WERE NOT IN OPERATION AND THIS SUBTITLE SHALL APPLY.