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Protecting Police Pensions

•The Post doesn't tell the full story behind the inadequate disability protection for NYPD officers — the only police officers in New York state subjected to this diminished benefit ("PBA Boss' Pension Game," Editorial, July 2).

Even former Gov. David Paterson, whose 2009 veto erroneously caused this inequitable situation, has since admitted it must be fixed.

New York City will save \$30 billion over 30 years as a result of cuts

THE ISSUE: Whether Albany should agree to boost pensions for injured cops hired after 2009.

to officers' pensions, and the "deal" offered by Mayor de Blasio would effectively turn a profit at our police officer's expense.

But the editorial is right about one thing: Over the past decade, far fewer police officers received a line-of-duty disability benefit than other uniformed workers (about 14 percent in 10 years, not counting 9/11 illnesses).

We seek the reinstatement of this fair and critical disability benefit for those who risk their lives for this city.

The Patrolmen's Benevolent Association won't allow Mayor de Blasio to pick cops' pockets to subsidize other city operations.

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