1 State of Arkansas A Bill **ACT 1200 OF 1993** 2 **79th General Assembly** HOUSE BILL 1503 3 Regular Session, 1993 By: Representative McGinnis 6 For An Act To Be Entitled 7 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 24-3-203 AND § 24-4-606 R 9 TO ADD NEW SUBSECTIONS REGARDING A SURVIVOR S ANNUITY FOR THE SPOUSE OF A RETIRED MEMBER WHO DIES WITHIN SIX (6) 10 MONTHS OF HIS OR HER RETIREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 12 **Subtitle** 13 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A SURVIVOR S ANNUITY FOR THE SPOUSE 14 15 OF A RETIRED MEMBER WHO DIES WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS OF RETIREMENT." 17 18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 19 20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-3-203 is hereby amended to add a new 21 subsection (e) to read as follows: "(e) The surviving spouse of a member of the Arkansas Public Employees 22 23 Retirement System who retired on or after February 1, 1991, and who elected a 24 straight life annuity shall be entitled to receive a survivor annuity equal to 25 the amount that would have been received had the member elected Option B75, 26 provided: 27 (1) the member dies within six (6) months of the effective date 28 of retirement; and (2) the surviving spouse makes application to the Arkansas Public 29 30 Employees Retirement System within six (6) months of the date of the member s 31 death or, if the member is deceased prior to the effective date of this act, 32 within six (6) months of the effective date of the act." 33 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 24-4-606 is hereby amended to add a new 34 35 subsection (d) to read as follows: 36 "(d) The surviving spouse of a member of the Arkansas Public Employees_

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 2 straight life annuity shall be entitled to receive a survivor annuity equal to
 3 the amount that would have been received had the member elected Option B75,
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 6 of retirement; and
               (2) the surviving spouse makes application to the Arkansas Public
 8 Employees Retirement System within six (6) months of the date of the member s
 9 death or, if the member is deceased prior to the effective date of this act,
10 within six (6) months of the effective date of the act."
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         SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature
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13 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
14 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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         SECTION 4. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to
17 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect
18 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
19 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this
20 act are declared to be severable.
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         SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
23 hereby repealed.
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