

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **78th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1991**
4 **By: Representative Mitchum**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIMITED CREDITED
9 SERVICE IN THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT
10 SYSTEM, THE ARKANSAS STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, OR
11 THE STATE HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR SERVICE
12 AS A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER WITH A LOCAL GOVERNMENT; AND
13 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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17 SECTION 1. (a) Any public safety member of a state-supported
18 retirement system in this state who is not receiving benefits under the system
19 on July 1, 1991, shall be entitled to purchase credited service in the system
20 for a period not to exceed three (3) years for service rendered by the member
21 as a law enforcement officer with a city police department prior to the
22 member's employment in a position covered by a state-supported retirement
23 system, but only if the person:

24 (1) Has ten (10) years of credited service with the retirement
25 system;

26 (2) Is not receiving any credited service in the retirement
27 system of the city or county in which the member was employed for the time
28 period for which credited service is sought; and

29 (3) Contributes to the member's deposit account a sum of money
30 equal to the amount he would have contributed to the account had he been a
31 member during period of employment with the city. This amount shall be based
32 upon his monthly contribution at the time he first became a member of the
33 retirement system and interest thereon at the rate of six percent (6%),
34 together with an amount equal to the employer matching contribution and
35 interest thereon at the rate of six percent (6%), which interest shall

1 commence January 1, 1991, or six (6) months after eligibility, whichever is
2 later.

3 (b) The benefit program to be applicable to the credited service for
4 members of the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System or the Arkansas
5 State Police Retirement System shall be:

6 (1) The benefit program of §§ 24-3-101 - 24-3-105, 24-3-201 -
7 24-3-214, 24-3-301 - 24-3-303, 24-3-401 - 24-3-413, 24-3-415 if the member is
8 not making regular member contributions to the system and if he paid no
9 employee contribution to purchase the credited service; or

10 (2) The benefit program based on Acts 1957, No. 177 for members
11 of the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System or the benefit program
12 based on §§ 24-6-201 - 24-6-217, 24-6-223 as for members of the Arkansas State
13 Police Retirement System if the member is making regular member contributions
14 to the system.

15 (c) The benefit program to be applicable to the credited service for
16 members of the State Highway Employees' Retirement System shall be the benefit
17 program of §§24-5-101 et seq.

18 (d) The provisions of this section shall be supplemental to any other
19 laws relating to state-supported retirement systems in this state. Nothing in
20 this section shall be construed to repeal or modify any existing provisions of
21 any state-supported retirement system law providing for credited service in
22 the system, nor the right of any member of a state-supported retirement system
23 to obtain credited service in the system for other service under the
24 provisions of existing laws. No member shall be eligible for credited service
25 for such periods of employment in more than one (1) state-supported retirement
26 system.

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28 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
29 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
30 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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32 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
33 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
34 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
35 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this

1 act are declared to be severable.

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3 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
4 hereby repealed.

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