

1 **State of Arkansas**  
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4 **By: Senator Miles**

# A Bill

**SENATE BILL 427**

## **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES TO RETAIN GROUP  
9 HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE UPON RETIREMENT; AND FOR OTHER  
10 PURPOSES."

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

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14 SECTION 1. (a) Each municipality in the State of Arkansas, maintaining  
15 or adopting a plan of group hospitalization insurance, shall make arrangements  
16 with the individual carriers (insuring agencies) for retiring employees and  
17 *their dependents to be offered coverage by requiring the insuring agencies to*  
18 *establish a separate insurance pool for retired employees and their dependents*  
19 *and setting the retirees premiums accordingly.*

20 (b) Any employee electing to remain under such group hospitalization  
21 plan shall pay the municipality one hundred percent (100%) of the premiums for  
22 such insurance.

23 (c) Upon attaining the age of sixty-five (65) years, all group health  
24 insurance coverage shall cease, except if the retired employee's spouse has  
25 not attained the age of sixty-five (65) years, the spouse shall be eligible  
26 for coverage until he or she attains said age and if the retired employees's  
27 dependent children have not attained the age of eighteen (18) years, the  
28 dependent shall be eligible for such coverage until they attain the age of  
29 eighteen (18) years.

30 (d) *As used in this section, "retiring employees" means employees who*  
31 *meet the age and service requirements of the retirement system to receive*  
32 *benefits from the retirement system in the month following their departure*  
33 *from employment with the municipality.*

34 (e) *Any city which presently maintains an insurance plan for retired*  
35 *employees and/or their dependents may continue to operate the plan and the*



