

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1993**  
4 **By: Representative McGinnis**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 24-3-203 AND § 24-4-606  
9 TO ADD NEW SUBSECTIONS REGARDING A SURVIVOR\_S ANNUITY FOR  
10 THE SPOUSE OF A RETIRED MEMBER WHO DIES WITHIN SIX (6)  
11 MONTHS OF HIS OR HER RETIREMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

14 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A SURVIVOR\_S ANNUITY FOR THE SPOUSE  
15 OF A RETIRED MEMBER WHO DIES WITHIN SIX (6) MONTHS OF  
16 RETIREMENT."

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

20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-3-203 is hereby amended to add a new  
21 subsection (e) to read as follows:

22 "(e) The surviving spouse of a member of the Arkansas Public Employees\_  
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

29 (2) the surviving spouse makes application to the Arkansas Public  
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."

34 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 24-4-606 is hereby amended to add a new  
35 subsection (d) to read as follows:

1           "(d) The surviving spouse of a member of the Arkansas Public Employees\_  
2 Retirement System who retired on or after February 1, 1991, and who elected a  
3 straight life annuity shall be entitled to receive a survivor annuity equal to  
4 the amount that would have been received had the member elected Option B75,  
5 provided:

6                   (1) the member dies within six (6) months of the effective date  
7 of retirement; and

8                   (2) the surviving spouse makes application to the Arkansas Public  
9 Employees\_ Retirement System within six (6) months of the date of the member\_s  
10 death or, if the member is deceased prior to the effective date of this act,  
11 within six (6) months of the effective date of the act."  
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13           SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature  
14 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
15 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.  
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17           SECTION 4. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to  
18 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect  
19 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
20 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
21 act are declared to be severable.  
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23           SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
24 hereby repealed.  
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