

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
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4 **By: Senator Bearden**

A Bill

SENATE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 24-4-101 TO INCLUDE
9 REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITIES WITHIN THE DEFINITIONS OF
10 PARTICIPATING PUBLIC EMPLOYER AND NONSTATE EMPLOYEES
11 AND TO ADD THE DEFINITION REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO
12 THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM LAW; TO
13 AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 24-4-202 TO PROVIDE FOR REGIONAL
14 AIRPORT AUTHORITIES TO PAY EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS; AND FOR
15 OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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18 "AN ACT TO INCLUDE REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITIES WITHIN THE
19 ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM LAW."

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

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23 SECTION 1. Subdivision (5) of Arkansas Code § 24-4-101 is hereby
24 amended to read as follows:

25 "(5) Participating public employer means any county or municipality
26 or regional airport authority in the state whose employees are included in the
27 membership of the system;"

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29 SECTION 2. Subdivision (9) of Arkansas Code § 24-4-101 is hereby
30 amended to read as follows:

31 "(9) Nonstate employees means county employees, municipal employees,
32 regional airport authority employees and school employees;"

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34 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 24-4-101 is hereby amended to add a new
35 Subdivision (26) to read as follows:

1 "(26) Regional airport authority means any regional airport authority
2 created under the Regional Airport Act, Arkansas Code §§ 14-362-101 et seq.,
3 which was formed after March 20, 1992 and which has chosen to participate in
4 the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System."

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6 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 24-4-202 is hereby amended to read as
7 follows:

8 "24-4-202. Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System Fund -
9 Contributions.

10 (a) The state employer contributions provided for in this act shall be
11 paid by state warrant or bank check by the state agency which employs each
12 member. The employer's contribution shall be paid to the Arkansas Public
13 Employees' Retirement System Fund and shall be paid concurrently with the
14 contributions made by its employees to the fund.

15 (b) In the case of employees receiving part or all of their
16 compensations from federal funds, the disbursing officer of the agency
17 receiving the federal funds shall transmit such sums to the Treasurer of State
18 from federal funds of the agency. These sums shall be those sums of money
19 which are necessary to provide the employer contributions, provided for in
20 this act, based on the portions of the employees' compensations payable from
21 federal funds. All contributions received by the Treasurer of State shall be
22 credited to the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System Fund.

23 (c) In the case of nonstate employees, each participating public
24 employer shall pay into the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System Fund
25 such sums of money as are necessary to provide the participating public
26 employer's contributions, provided for in this act. The participating public
27 employer's contributions shall be paid concurrently with the contributions
28 made by its employees to the fund. The employer's contributions shall be
29 transmitted to the Treasurer of State in such form and manner, together with
30 such supporting data, as the board shall prescribe from time to time.

31 (d) In the case of circuit and chancery court reporters, the public
32 employer contributions shall be paid, when directed by the board, by the
33 respective counties in the proportion that each county pays the total salaries
34 of the circuit and chancery court reporters.

35 (e) In the case of regional airport authority employees, each

1 participating regional airport authority shall pay into the Arkansas Public
2 Employees' Retirement System Fund such sums of money as are necessary to
3 provide the employer's contributions, as directed by the board. The regional
4 airport authority employer's contributions shall be transmitted to the
5 Treasurer of State in such form and manner, together with such supporting
6 data, as the board shall prescribe from time to time."

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8 SECTION 5. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature
9 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
10 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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12 SECTION 6. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to
13 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect
14 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
15 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this
16 act are declared to be severable.

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18 SECTION 7. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
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