

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**

A Bill

SENATE BILL

4 **By: Senators Miles, Moore, Canada, Jewell, Bearden and Hopkins**

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 24-3-102 TO ALLOW DEPUTY
9 SHERIFFS WITH FIFTEEN (15) OR MORE YEARS OF SERVICE TO
10 RETIRE AT AGE FIFTY-TWO YEARS (52) AND WITH AN ANNUAL
11 RETIREMENT ANNUITY EQUAL TO SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT (75%) OF
12 THEIR FINAL ANNUAL SALARY AT RETIREMENT; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

16 "AN ACT TO ALLOW DEPUTY SHERIFFS WITH 15 YEARS TO RETIRE
17 AT AGE 52 AND WITH A RETIREMENT ANNUITY EQUAL TO 75% OF
18 THEIR ANNUAL SALARY."

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

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22 SECTION 1. Subdivision (9) of Arkansas Code § 24-3-102 is hereby
23 amended to read as follows:

24 "(9) Normal retirement age means, for a member, the youngest of the
25 following ages:

26 (A) Age sixty-five (65) years;

27 (B) If the provisions of § 24-3-301(b) are used to determine any
28 portion of total credited service, then the age upon completion of thirty-five
29 (35) years of credited service, but in no event to an age younger than fifty-
30 five (55) years;

31 (C) For a member with credited service for employment as a public
32 safety employee or as a sheriff, age sixty-five (65) years reduced by one (1)
33 month for each two (2) months of such credited service, but in no event to an
34 age younger than fifty-five (55) years, except in the case of members of the
35 Arkansas State Police Retirement System and sheriffs who have a minimum of ten

1 (10) years of actual service as a sheriff or who have eight (8) years of
2 actual service as a sheriff and a minimum of two (2) years of service in
3 another state-supported retirement system, for whom the minimum retirement age
4 shall be fifty-two (52) years;

5 (D) The age upon completion of thirty (30) years of credited
6 service, if the provisions of § 24-3-301(b) are not used to determine any
7 portion of such credited service;

8 (E) For members of the General Assembly with twelve (12) years of
9 actual service, ten (10) of which must be as a member of the General Assembly,
10 at age fifty-five (55). Members of the General Assembly who were either
11 serving in the General Assembly on July 1, 1979, or held an elected office on
12 July 1, 1979, shall be eligible to retire with seventeen and one half (17 1/2)
13 years of actual service regardless of age;

14 (F) An elected state constitutional officer shall be eligible to
15 retire with thirty (30) years of credited service at age fifty-five (55);

16 (G) Notwithstanding subdivision (C), in the case of a deputy
17 sheriff who has a minimum of twelve (12) years of actual service as a deputy
18 sheriff and a minimum of three (3) years of service in another state-supported
19 retirement system, the minimum retirement age shall be fifty-two (52) years
20 with a full retirement benefit annuity or in the case of a deputy sheriff who
21 has fifteen (15) or more years of actual service as a deputy sheriff, the
22 minimum retirement age shall be fifty-two (52) years and, notwithstanding
23 other provisions of the retirement laws, their annual retirement benefit
24 annuity shall be equal to seventy-five percent (75%) of their final annual
25 salary upon retirement;

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

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

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

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