

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1 State of Arkansas
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1122

5 By: Representative R. Smith
6 By: Senator J. Jeffress
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For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF POLICE AND
11 FIRE PENSION AND RELIEF FUNDS TO INCREASE THE
12 BENEFITS FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES AND BENEFICIARIES
13 AFTER THE DEATH OF AN ACTIVE OR RETIRED MEMBER;
14 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

16 TO CLARIFY THE AUTHORITY OF POLICE AND
17 FIRE PENSION AND RELIEF FUNDS TO
18 INCREASE BENEFITS FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES
19 AND BENEFICIARIES AFTER THE DEATH OF AN
20 ACTIVE OR RETIRED MEMBER.
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-11-425(f), concerning pension benefits
27 in the event of the death of an active or retired member of a police pension
28 and relief fund, is amended to read as follows:

29 (f)(1) The sum total of the pension to be paid the surviving spouse or
30 the qualifying child of the deceased police officer shall not exceed one-half
31 (1/2) of the salary attached to the rank the police officer held at the time
32 of his or her death.

33 (2) However, the limit on the sum total amount under subdivision
34 (f)(1) of this section may be exceeded through benefit increases authorized
35 under § 24-11-102.
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SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 24-11-820(b)(3), concerning pension benefits in the event of the death of an active or retired member of a firemen's pension and relief fund, is amended to read as follows:

(3)(A) The sum total of the pension to be paid the spouse or the qualifying children of volunteer or part-paid fire fighters shall not exceed one-half (1/2) of the salary attached to the rank the member held at the time of his or her death as an active member of a volunteer or part-paid fire department, nor shall it be less than thirty dollars (\$30.00) per month.

(B) However, the limit on the sum total amount under subdivision (b)(3)(A) of this section may be exceeded through benefit increases authorized under § 24-11-102.

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