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.

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By: Representative Mahony

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO LIMIT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM'S AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT BENEFIT ENHANCEMENTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle<br>AN ACT TO LIMIT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF<br>THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM'S<br>AUTHORITY TO IMPLEMENT BENEFIT<br>ENHANCEMENTS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-7-208 is amended to read as follows:
24-7-208. Benefit enhancements - Restrictions.
(a) No benefit enhancement provided for by this act shall be implemented if it would cause the publicly supported retirement system's unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities to exceed a thirty-year amortization.
(b) No benefit enhancement provided for by this act shall be implemented by any publicly supported system which has unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities being amortized over a period exceeding thirty (30) years until the unfunded actuarial accrued liability is reduced to a level less than the standards prescribed by § 24-1-101 et seq.
(c)(1) If the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System has not implemented, before January 1, 2003, a benefit enhancement allowed by the General Assembly because the benefit enhancement would violate subsection (a) and (b) of this section, then the board's authority to
implement the benefit enhancement is revoked.
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## (2) The board shall not have the authority to give a cost of living benefit enhancement without specific authority of the General Assembly. <br> plement

