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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1298

5 By: Representative Warren
6 By: Senator B. Sample
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE
10 CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT
11 SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

15 TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF THE ARKANSAS CODE
16 CONCERNING THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES'
17 RETIREMENT SYSTEM.
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-4-104(b), concerning the creation and*
23 *membership of the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Public Employees'*
24 *Retirement System, is amended to read as follows:*

25 *(b) The board shall consist of ~~nine (9) trustees, as follows~~ the*
26 *following members:*

27 *(1) The Auditor of State, the Treasurer of State, and the*
28 *Secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration shall be ex officio*
29 *members; ~~and~~*

30 *(2)(A) Three (3) members who are state employees and three (3)*
31 *members who are nonstate employees to be appointed by the Governor.*

32 *(B) Each nonstate employee trustee and each state employee*
33 *trustee shall have at least five (5) continuous years of service with a*
34 *public employer or employers and shall be a member of the system.*

35 *(C)(i) No more than one (1) of the three (3) members who*
36 *are nonstate employee trustees appointed by the Governor shall be a retired*



1 member of the system.

2 (ii) and no No more than one (1) of the three (3)
3 members who are state employee trustees may appointed by the Governor shall
4 be a retired member of the system.

5 (D) The three (3) nonstate employee trustees shall consist
6 of at least one (1) currently elected county judge and at least one (1)
7 mayor.

8 (E) Subdivisions (b)(2)(B)-(D) of this section do not
9 apply to members appointed under subdivisions (b)(3) and (4) of this section;

10 (3)(A) Two (2) members who retired from employment covered by
11 the system to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.

12 (B) One (1) of the members described in subdivision
13 (b)(3)(A) of this section shall be a retired law enforcement officer who is
14 not a retired member of the State Police Retirement System; and

15 (4)(A) Two (2) members who retired from employment covered by
16 the system to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

17 (B) One (1) of the members described in subdivision
18 (b)(4)(A) of this section shall be a retired law enforcement officer who is
19 not a retired member of the State Police Retirement System.

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21 /s/Warren

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24 **APPROVED: 4/13/21**