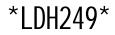
Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: H3/12/99	
2	82nd General Assembly	A Bill	Act 903 of 1999
3	Regular Session, 1999		HOUSE BILL 1396
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5	By: Representatives Pappas, R. Smith, Gullett, C. Johnson, Wilkins		
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled		
9	"AN ACT TO AMEND THE FIRST CLASS CITY POLICE PENSION		
10	LAW TO ALLOW THE PURCHASE OF PRIOR LAW ENFORCEMENT		
11	SERVICE IN ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."		
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13		Subtitle	
14	"AN ACT TO AMEND THE FIRST CLASS CITY		
15	POLICE PENSION LAW TO ALLOW THE PURCHASE		
16	OF PRIOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICE IN		
17	ARKAN	SAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."	
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20	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:		
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22	SECTION 1. Title 24, Chapter 11, Subchapter 4 of the Arkansas Code is		
23	amended to add the following section to be appropriately numbered by the		
24	Arkansas Code Revision	Commission:	
25	" <u>Credited</u> service	e - Purchase of former law enforce	ement service.
26	<u>(a) If the board</u>	of trustees for a policemen's per	<u>nsion and relief fund</u>
27	<u>decides to extend this</u>	benefit for its members, and if t	the pension fund will
28	be actuarially sound as determined by the actuary for the Arkansas Fire and		
29	Police Pension Review Board after this benefit increase is extended to		
30	members, any member of the policemen's pension and relief fund as established		
31	by this subchapter shall be entitled to purchase credited service in the		
32	system, not to exceed two (2) years, for service rendered by the member as a		
33	law enforcement officer in this state prior to the member's employment covered		
34	by the policemen's pension and relief fund.		
35	<u>(b) He or she ma</u>	ay purchase the credited service i	f he or she has
36	participated in the pol	licemen's pension and relief fund	for at least eighteen



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1	(18) years, and he or she contributes to the member's deposit account a sum of		
2	money equal to the amount of the combined employee and employer contribution		
3	made by or on behalf of the member to the system based upon the contributions		
4	for the last month of the employee's eighteenth (18 <sup>th</sup> ) year of service,		
5	multiplied by the number of months of law enforcement service the member is		
6	eligible for and desires to purchase under this section with interest thereon		
7	at the rate of six percent (6%) per annum from the date of eligibility to		
8	purchase the service to the date of purchase.		
9	(c) A member who purchases credited service in the system as authorized		
10	$\underline{in\ this\ section\ shall\ not\ be\ entitled\ to\ receive\ retirement\ benefits\ under\ the}$		
11	system until the date on which he or she has twenty (20) years of actual		
12	service under the system or would have had twenty (20) years of actual service		
13	under the system if the member had continued his or her employment.		
14	(d) When a member purchases credited service as authorized in this		
15	section and terminates employment before his or her twentieth anniversary as a		
16	member of the system, that portion of the insurance premium tax returned to		
17	the employing city for credit to policemen's pension funds which was		
18	previously credited to the policemen's pension and relief fund for the		
19	position held by the member shall continue to be credited to that fund until		
20	the date on which the member would have been a member of the system for twenty		
21	(20) years had he or she continued employment."		
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23	SECTION 2. <u>No benefit enhancement provided for by this act shall be</u>		
24	implemented if it would cause the publicly supported retirement system's		
25	unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities to exceed a thirty (30) year		
26	amortization. No benefit enhancement provided for by this act shall be		
27	implemented by any publicly supported system which has unfunded actuarial		
28	accrued liabilities being amortized over a period exceeding thirty (30) years		
29	until the unfunded actuarial accrued liability is reduced to a level less than		
30	the standards prescribed by Arkansas Code, Title 24.		
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32	SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature		
33	are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code		
34	Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.		
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36	SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to		

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any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
act are declared to be severable.

6 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are 7 hereby repealed.

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/s/ Pappas, et **a** 

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