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A Bill

SENATE BILL 118

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO ALLOW A STATE-SUPPORTED RETIREMENT SYSTEM
9 TO REQUIRE A QUALIFIED DOMESTIC RELATIONS ORDER TO
10 SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLY WITH THE UNIFORM LEGAL FORM OF A
11 QUALIFIED DOMESTIC RELATIONS ORDER TO PAY BENEFITS;
12 TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AND FOR OTHER
13 PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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17 TO ALLOW A STATE-SUPPORTED RETIREMENT
18 SYSTEM TO REQUIRE AN ORDER TO
19 SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLY WITH THE UNIFORM
20 LEGAL FORM OF A QUALIFIED DOMESTIC
21 RELATIONS ORDER TO PAY BENEFITS; AND TO
22 MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS.
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25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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27 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 9-18-103(b), concerning qualified domestic
28 relations ~~order~~ orders to reach public employees' retirement benefits, is
29 amended to read as follows:

30 (b) The boards of trustees of the state-supported retirement systems
31 shall:

32 (1) ~~promulgate~~ Establish rules and ~~regulations~~ to implement this
33 chapter; and

34 (2)(A) ~~shall adopt~~ Adopt a uniform legal form, ~~as approved by~~
35 ~~the Legislative Council~~, for use in preparing a qualified domestic relations
36 ~~orders~~ order for each retirement plan.



1 (B)(i) The state-supported retirement system's uniform
2 legal form of the qualified domestic relations order shall be approved by the
3 Legislative Council.

4 (ii) A state-supported retirement system is not
5 required to comply with a qualified domestic relations order that does not
6 substantially follow the uniform legal form approved by the Legislative
7 Council.

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