ARKANSAS SENATE

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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 144

"TO MAKE CERTAIN MUNICIPAL JUDGES ELIGIBLE FOR RETIREMENT BENEFITS UNDER A MUNICIPAL JUDGE'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM."

Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill No. 144.

Amend Senate Bill No. 144 as originally introduced:

Page 1, line 11, add after the semicolon: "TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE TITLE 24, CHAPTER 8, SUBCHAPTER 3 TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL SECTION TO ESTABLISH A RETIREMENT TRANSITION GROUP FOR MUNICIPAL JUDGES AND CLERKS;"

AND

Page 2, delete line 10 and substitute the following: "death or remarriage.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code Title 24, Chapter 8, Subchapter 3, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

24-8-320. Municipal Court Retirement Transition Group.

(a) Currently, the municipal judges and court clerks in Arkansas are covered under numerous and separate retirement plans run independently by each municipal government. Under Amendment 80 of the Arkansas Constitution, all municipal courts in existence shall be known as district courts and all judges of those courts shall become district judges effective January 1, 2005.

(b) The Municipal Court Retirement Transition Group shall be established to review the transition of municipal courts to district courts and to study the impact this transition will have those retirement benefit plans.

(c) The Municipal Court Retirement Transition Group shall consist of: (1) Three (3) members of the Joint Committee on Public

<u>Retirement and Social Security Programs as appointed by the chairmen of that</u> <u>committee;</u>

(2) The executive director of the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System;

(3) A representative from the board of trustees of the Arkansas Judicial Retirement System appointed by the board;

(4) The executive director of the Arkansas Municipal League or a

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(5) The executive director of the Association of Arkansas Counties or a designee; (6) The executive director of the Administrative Office of the Courts or a designee; and

(7) The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration or a designee.

(d) The Municipal Court Retirement Transition Group shall determine if any legislation is necessary and shall bring it before the Joint Committee of Public Retirement and Social Security Programs at the Eighty-Fourth General Assembly."

AND

Renumber the subsequent section appropriately

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and ______By: Senator Everett
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