## Hall of the House of Representatives

84th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2003 Amendment Form

## Subtitle of House Bill No. 1230

## Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1230.

Amend House Bill No. 1230 as originally introduced:

Add Senator J. Bookout as a cosponsor of the bill

AND

Page 1, lines 10 and 11, delete "CHANGE THE BENEFIT STRUCTURE OF THE SYSTEM" and substitute "WAIVE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR A SURVIVOR'S BENEFIT"

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AND

(2)(A) If the member has satisfied the age and service requirement provided for in § 24-6-404 or had acquired twenty (20) years' actual service, then the spouse annuity shall commence immediately and be payable for his or her life.

(B) If the member had acquired fifteen (15) years' actual service, but had not attained age sixty-five (65), the spouse annuity shall commence at the later of either age fifty (50) or his or her age at his or her death and shall be payable until the earlier of his or her remarriage or death. Otherwise, the spouse annuity shall commence at the later of either age sixty-two (62) or his or her age at his or her death and shall be payable until the earlier of either his or her remarriage or death.

(C)(i) If the member is killed while in the official line



of duty, the board of trustees may waive the age requirements for a surviving spouse who is otherwise eligible for a survivors' annuity, but whose benefit has been deferred because the member's spouse did not meet the age requirement in effect before July 1, 2003. (ii) If waived, the members' surviving spouse is eligible to commence the spouse annuity upon the effective date of this subdivision (c)(2)(C) of this section.

SECTION 2. The provisions of this act shall apply retroactively to allow a surviving spouse who did not qualify for a benefit because the member's spouse did not meet the age requirements of Arkansas Code § 24-6-411(c)(2) to begin a benefit if the member was killed while in performance of his or her official duties. The spouse benefit annuity shall be retroactive to June 1, 2002."

The Amendment was read \_\_\_\_\_ By: Representative R. Smith EAN/VJF - 021920031558 VJF461

**Chief Clerk**