Hall of the House of Representatives

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Subtitle of House Bill No. 1247

"AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO BENEFIT ADJUSTMENTS UNDER THE FIREMAN'S PENSION AND RELIEF FUND; TO AMEND PROVISION PERTAINING TO THE ARKANSAS FIRE AND POLICE REVIEW BOARD." **************

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1247.

Amend House Bill No. 1247 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 9 through 13, and substitute the following: "AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO BENEFIT ADJUSTMENTS UNDER A FIREMEN'S PENSION AND RELIEF FUND; TO ALLOW FOR BENEFIT INCREASES FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS RETIRED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1987; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 16 through 20, and substitute the following: "AN ACT TO AMEND PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO BENEFIT ADJUSTMENTS UNDER A FIREMEN'S PENSION AND RELIEF FUND; TO ALLOW FOR BENEFIT INCREASES FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE FIGHTERS RETIRED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1987."

AND

Page 1, delete lines 25 and 26 and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-11-818(d), concerning voluntary retirement benefits given to fire fighters under a firemen's pension and relief fund, is amended to read as follows:

(d)(1)(A)(i) Any full-paid fire fighter who has more than twenty (20) years of service at the time of retirement shall be entitled to receive the sum of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per month in addition to his or her regular retirement pay for each full year worked over and above twenty (20) years.

(ii) In no instance shall he or she receive more than one hundred dollars (\$100) per month in addition to his or her regular benefits.

(B)(i) Any volunteer or part-paid fire fighter who has more than twenty (20) years of service at the time of retirement shall be entitled to receive the sum of ten dollars (\$10.00) per month in addition to his or her regular retirement pay for each full year worked over and above



twenty (20) years.

(ii) In no instance shall he or she receive more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) per month in addition to his or her regular benefits.

(2) (A) The increase in benefit levels provided in this subsection under subdivision (d)(l)(A) of this section for service beyond twenty (20) years shall apply only to those <u>full-paid</u> fire fighters who retire on or after January 1, 1987, and, notwithstanding the provisions of § 24-11-826, may exceed one hundred percent (100%) of final salary.

(B)(i) Before January 1, 2004, the increase in benefit levels provided under subdivision (d)(1)(B) of this section for service beyond twenty (20) years shall apply only to those volunteer or part-paid fire fighters who retire on or after January 1, 1987, and, notwithstanding the provisions of § 24-11-826, may exceed one hundred percent (100%) of final salary.

(ii) Beginning January 1, 2004, the increase in benefit levels provided under subdivision (d)(1)(B) of this section for service beyond twenty (20) years shall apply to those volunteer or part-paid fire fighters who retired before or after January 1, 1987, and, notwithstanding the provisions of § 24-11-826, may exceed one hundred percent (100%) of final salary. However, the pension fund shall not pay benefits retroactively for those volunteers or part-paid fire fighters who retired before January 1, 1987."

The Amendment was read _ By: Representative King EAN/VJF - 020320031450 VJF325

Chief Clerk