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SENATE BILL 355

By: Senator Kinard As engrossed 3-23-87

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS STATUTE 22-904.2 PERTAINING TO THE  
TRANSFER OF CREDITED SERVICE BY MUNICIPAL JUDGES TO THE  
JUDICIAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Section 3 of Act 333 of 1975, the same being Arkansas  
Statute 22-904.2, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 3. Any person who shall have served as a municipal judge in any  
municipal court in this State, and who holds credited services therefor in any  
retirement system or retirement fund for such services, is hereby authorized to  
transfer his credited services in said retirement system or fund to the  
Judicial Retirement System by:

(1) Notifying, in writing, the administrative body of each said retire-  
ment plan of his intention to transfer his tenure, and

(2) By authorizing the Board of Trustees or appropriate administrative  
body of his retirement system to transfer to the Judicial Retirement System  
any sums of money paid for his retirement to said retirement fund or system by  
said municipal judge, and at the option of the City Council or Board of  
Directors to transfer to the Judicial Retirement System the court costs  
collected during his tenure as municipal judge, and

(3) By paying into the Judicial Retirement System an amount of money he  
would have paid into said system for an equal amount of tenure as a judge of  
the court to which he has been elected, less the amount of money from his pre-  
sent retirement system as authorized hereinabove. Upon transferring such  
credited service from his present retirement fund or system, said person shall  
be given credited service in the Judicial Retirement System for an equal  
number of years of credited service for which he has qualified under any other  
plan or system to which he has belonged by reason of his service as municipal

judge."

SECTION 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Emergency. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly that the present law establishing the method whereby a municipal judge may transfer credited service to the Judicial Retirement System is inadequate; that the present law results in inequity; and that the inequity will continue until this Act becomes effective. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

/s/ Kinard

