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A Bill

HOUSE BILL

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By: Representative Wilkins

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 24-12-123 TO PROVIDE THAT ANY PERSON HEREAFTER RETIRING AS THE MAYOR OF A FIRST CLASS CITY SHALL RECEIVE RETIREMENT BENEFITS ESTABLISHED BY THE CITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 24-12-123(a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, in all cities of the first class in this state, any person who shall serve as mayor of the city for a period of not less than ten (10) years, upon reaching age sixty (60) years, or any person who shall serve as mayor of the city for a period of not less than twenty (20) years, without regard to age, shall be entitled to retire at an annual retirement benefit during the remainder of his natural life, payable at the rate of one-half (1/2) of the salary payable to the mayor at the time of his retirement. Persons retiring after January 1, 1989 as mayor of any first class city shall receive such retirement benefits as prescribed by the city.

(2) The retirement payments shall be paid monthly and shall be paid from the city general fund.

(3) However, mayors who have served as an alderman or city employee prior to or after their service as mayor shall count their service as alderman or city employee at the rate of one (1) year for mayor's retirement for each two (2) years served as an alderman or a city employee, with a maximum of an additional two (2) years' credit towards mayor's retirement.

(4) The minimum retirement benefits shall be two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) per month for both salaried and nonsalaried mayors."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this Act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are hereby repealed.