

1 **State of Arkansas**  
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4 **By: Representative Tullis**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

7 "AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 24, CHAPTER 4, SUBCHAPTER 2 OF THE  
8 ARKANSAS CODE OF 1987, TO CLARIFY WHEN A REMITTANCE OR  
9 REPORT IS DUE THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT  
10 SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

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15 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code §24-4-203 is hereby amended to read as  
16 follows:

17 "24-4-203. Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System Fund -  
18 Penalties for delinquency.

19 (a) (1) In the event that any participating public employer fails to  
20 remit to the system those moneys which are required by law or regulation by  
21 the tenth day of the month in which the moneys are due, then the system shall  
22 have the right to impose a penalty of six percent (6%) interest on an annual  
23 basis on the moneys due. This interest shall be computed on the actual days  
24 of delinquency and shall be paid to the system for the purpose of reimbursing  
25 the trust fund for the money which would have been earned on the moneys had  
26 they been paid when due. For purposes of this section, an employer's  
27 remittance shall not be considered delinquent if received by the system  
28 following the tenth day provided such was postmarked no later than the tenth  
29 day of the month in which the payment is due.

30 (2) The interest penalty shall be determined by the system on the  
31 date the delinquent funds are received, and a statement of the interest shall  
32 be sent to the participating public employer.

33 (3) If the interest penalty or delinquent moneys are not received  
34 by the system by the last business day of the month in which the moneys were  
35 originally due, then the system shall cause the sums of moneys, including

1 interest, to be transferred from any moneys due the participating public  
2 employer from the office of the Treasurer of State or the Department of  
3 Education as provided in 19-5-106(a)(5).

4 (b) (1) In the event any participating public employer fails to file  
5 with the system the retirement report by the tenth day of the month in which  
6 the report is due, then the system has the right to impose a penalty of fifty  
7 dollars (\$50.00) for each time the report is late. For purposes of this  
8 section, an employer's report shall not be considered delinquent if received  
9 by the system following the tenth day provided such was postmarked no later  
10 than the tenth day of the month in which the report is due.

11 (2) A statement of the penalty shall be sent to the participating  
12 employer. If the penalty is not received by the last business day of the  
13 month in which the report was due, then the system shall cause the penalty  
14 amount to be transferred from any moneys due the participating public employer  
15 from the office of the Treasurer of State or the Department of Education as  
16 provided in 19-5-106(a)(5).

17 (3) The penalty amounts collected shall be deposited to the  
18 credit of the administrative funds of the system to help defray the cost of  
19 the additional expenses incurred due to the additional work required to  
20 process late reports."

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

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26 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
27 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
28 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
29 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
30 act are declared to be severable.

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32 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
33 hereby repealed.