

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1645

4 **By: Representatives B. Wood and Shaver**

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR VESTING IN THE ARKANSAS STATE
9 HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN
10 EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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Subtitle

13 *"AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR VESTING IN THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY
14 EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM."*

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

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18 *SECTION 1. (a) Any employee of the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department who is a member of the*
19 *Arkansas State Highway Employees Retirement System and who has served as a member of the Arkansas Highway Commission shall receive*
20 *partial credit, equal to forty percent (40%) of the time the member served as a member of the Arkansas Highway Commission as "creditable*
21 *service".*

22 *(b) For the purpose of calculating the members annuity, the portion of "creditable service" attributed to serving on the Commission*
23 *shall not be considered when determining retirement eligibility nor shall it be considered when calculating the annuity, but is to be considered only*
24 *toward vesting in the Arkansas State Highway Employees Retirement System.*

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

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

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 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.*

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35 *SECTION 5. Emergency. It is hereby found and determined by the Seventy-Ninth General Assembly of the State of Arkansas*

1 *that the service rendered on the Arkansas Highway Commission by many people has not been adequately rewarded for many years, that to not*
2 *reward these services with vesting will create an inequity for all eligible employees, and that the effective and efficient administration of the*
3 *state government demands that this inequity be corrected immediately. Therefore, in order to correct this inequity, an emergency is hereby*
4 *declared to exist, and this act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, shall be in full force and*
5 *effect from and after its passage and approval.*

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