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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1236

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 24-2-502(a) TO PERMIT  
9 MEMBERS OF STATE SUPPORTED RETIREMENT SYSTEMS TO PURCHASE  
10 RETIREMENT CREDIT FOR MILITARY SERVICE AT THE CONTRIBUTION  
11 RATE WHEN THEY FIRST BECAME MEMBERS OF THE RETIREMENT  
12 SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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## Subtitle

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15 "TO PERMIT MEMBERS OF STATE RETIREMENT  
16 SYSTEMS TO PURCHASE CREDIT FOR MILITARY  
17 SERVICE AT THE RATE WHEN THEY FIRST  
18 BECAME MEMBERS OF THE RETIREMENT  
19 SYSTEM."

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

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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-2-502(a) is amended to read as follows:

24 "(a) Any person who is or was a member of a state-supported retirement  
25 system in this state and who was not receiving benefits under the system on  
26 July 9, 1975, shall be entitled to purchase credited service in the system  
27 for a period not to exceed five (5) years for service rendered by the member  
28 in the armed forces of the United States prior to the member's employment in  
29 a position covered by a state-supported retirement system, but only if the  
30 person:

31 (1) Has ten (10) years of credited service with the retirement  
32 system;

33 (2) Received an honorable discharge from the armed forces;

34 (3) Is not receiving federal military service retirement pay  
35 based upon nineteen (19) or more years of active duty, but disability federal

1 retirement pay shall not disqualify a member from purchasing credit; and

2           (4) Contributes to the member's deposit account a sum of money  
3 equal to the amount he would have contributed to the account had he been a  
4 member during his term of military service. This amount shall be based upon:

5           (A) His salary at the time he first became a member of the  
6 retirement system, *unless it affects the actuarial soundness of the State*  
7 *Police Retirement System, in which case, it shall be his monthly contribution*  
8 *at the time he first became a member of the retirement system; and*

9           (B) The employer's contribution in effect at the time he  
10 first became a member of the retirement system, *unless it affects the*  
11 *actuarial soundness of the State Police Retirement System, in which case, it*  
12 *shall be the employer's contribution in effect at the time he first became*  
13 *eligible to purchase the military service; and*

14           (C) Interest thereon on both the employee's and employer's  
15 contributions at the rate of six percent (6%), which interest shall commence  
16 January 1, 1976, or six (6) months after eligibility, whichever is later."

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

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

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

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*/s/Rep. McKissack, et al*

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