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## For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND SUBCHAPTER 4 OF CHAPTER 11 OF TITLE 24 OF  
9 ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED AND §24-11-817 TO GIVE CREDIT FOR  
10 VOLUNTARY MILITARY SERVICE TO MEMBERS OF THE FIREMEN'S AND  
11 POLICEMEN'S PENSION AND RELIEF FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES."

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## Subtitle

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

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21 SECTION 1. Subchapter 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 24 of the Arkansas Code  
22 is amended by adding the following new section:

23 "24-11-435. Credit for military service.

24 (a) In the event an active member of a policemen\_s pension and relief  
25 fund entered or enters the armed forces of the United States during any  
26 period of voluntary or compulsory military service, the armed service  
27 actually served by him shall be credited him as service under this section,  
28 but only if he again becomes an employee within a period of one (1) year from  
29 and after honorable termination of the armed service actually served by him,  
30 and he returns to the system the amount, if any, he may have withdrawn  
31 therefrom, together with regular interest from the date of withdrawal to the  
32 date of repayment.

33 (b) In any case of doubt as to the period of armed service to be so  
34 credited, the board shall have the final power to determine the period.

35 (c) During the period of armed service and until the member's return

1 as an employee, his contributions to the system shall be suspended and any  
2 balance not withdrawn shall remain on the books to his credit."

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4 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 24-11-817 is amended to read as follows:

5 "24-11-817. Credit for military service.

6 (a) In the event an active member of a firemen's pension and relief  
7 fund established under Acts 1921, No. 491 entered or enters the armed forces  
8 of the United States during any period of voluntary or compulsory military  
9 service, the armed service actually served by him shall be credited him as  
10 service under this section, but only if he again becomes an employee within a  
11 period of one (1) year from and after honorable termination of the armed  
12 service actually served by him, and he returns to the system the amount, if  
13 any, he may have withdrawn therefrom, together with regular interest from the  
14 date of withdrawal to the date of repayment.

15 (b) In any case of doubt as to the period of armed service to be so  
16 credited, the board shall have the final power to determine the period.

17 (c) During the period of armed service and until the member's return  
18 as an employee, his contributions to the system shall be suspended and any  
19 balance not withdrawn shall remain on the books to his credit."

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21 SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent  
22 nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas  
23 Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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25 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
26 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
27 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
28 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
29 act are declared to be severable.

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31 SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
32 hereby repealed.

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