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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1973

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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11 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 10-3-701 TO PROVIDE FOR  
12 THE SELECTION OF ADDITIONAL HOUSE MEMBERS TO SERVE DURING  
13 THE INTERIM AS NON-VOTING MEMBERS OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE  
14 ON PUBLIC RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY PROGRAMS OF THE  
15 ARKANSAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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## Subtitle

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18 "TO PROVIDE FOR NON-VOTING HOUSE MEMBERS  
19 OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC  
20 RETIREMENT AND SOCIAL SECURITY  
21 PROGRAMS."

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

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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 10-3-701 is amended to read as follows:

26 "10-3-701. Creation - Members.

27 (a) There is established a joint committee of the House of  
28 Representatives and the Senate to be known as the \_Joint Committee on Public  
29 Retirement and Social Security Programs,\_ to consist of twenty (20) members.

30 (b) The ten (10) House members shall be selected as prescribed by  
31 House Rule. The Committee on Committees of the Senate shall name, at the  
32 commencement of each regular session of the General Assembly or at any time a  
33 vacancy exists, ten (10) members of the Senate to serve on the joint  
34 committee.

35 (c) The Senate Committee on Committees shall designate one (1) Senate

1 member of the committee to serve as Senate cochairman of the committee and  
2 one (1) Senate member to serve as Senate vice chairman of the committee. The  
3 highest ranking House member on the committee shall serve as House cochairman  
4 of the committee and the second highest ranking House member of the committee  
5 shall serve as House vice chairman of the committee.

6       (d) *In addition to the regular House members appointed under*  
7 *subsection (b), the Speaker shall, during each regular session, appoint one*  
8 *additional House member from each caucus district to serve as a non-voting*  
9 *member of the committee only during the interim between sessions of the*  
10 *General Assembly."*

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

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

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

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25       SECTION 5. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly  
26 that the Joint Committee on Public Retirement and Social Security Programs  
27 deals with very complicated and important issues relating to the various  
28 public retirement systems; that it is essential that new members appointed to  
29 serve on the committee at each regular session of the General Assembly have  
30 considerable knowledge concerning the various retirement systems in order to  
31 intelligently vote on legislation coming before the committee which may  
32 seriously affect the financial well-being of the systems; that with term  
33 limits the only practical way to enable future members of the committee to  
34 gain the knowledge and experience in retirement matters needed to serve as  
35 regular members of the committee is to permit interested House members to

1 serve as non-voting members of the committee during the interim between  
2 sessions; and that this act is designed to permit such interim service and  
3 should be given effect immediately. Therefore an emergency is hereby  
4 declared to exist and this act being immediately necessary for the  
5 preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force  
6 and effect from and after its passage and approval.

7 */s/Rep. B. Wood, et al*

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