

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1511

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5 *By: Representatives Kidd and Ferguson*
6 *By: Senator Everett*

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 24-8-307(f) TO PROVIDE A
10 MUNICIPAL JUDGE WHO IS FIFTY (50) YEARS OLD WITH TWENTY
11 (20) YEARS OF SERVICE AS A MUNICIPAL JUDGE AND JUVENILE
12 REFEREE SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR RETIREMENT BENEFITS UNDER
13 THE LOCAL MUNICIPAL JUDGES' RETIREMENT PLAN; AND FOR OTHER
14 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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17 "TO PROVIDE A MUNICIPAL JUDGE WHO IS 50
18 YEARS OLD WITH 20 YEARS OF SERVICE AS A
19 JUDGE AND JUVENILE REFEREE IS ELIGIBLE
20 FOR RETIREMENT BENEFITS."

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

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24 SECTION 1. Subsection (f) of Arkansas Code § 24-8-307, regarding the
25 eligibility for municipal judges for retirement benefits in cities of the
26 first or second class, is amended to read as follows:

27 "(f)(1) Upon the approval of a majority of the city council or board of
28 directors of a city of the first or second class and the approval of the
29 quorum court of the county, any person who either at age fifty-five (55) has
30 sixteen (16) years of service, with not less than eight (8) years as municipal
31 judge and at least five (5) years as a deputy prosecuting attorney and three
32 (3) years with any state agency for a total of sixteen (16) years, or any
33 person who at age fifty (50) has at least ten (10) years service as municipal
34 judge and at least ten (10) years service as a juvenile referee for a total of
35 twenty (20) years shall be eligible to receive retirement benefits provided by
36 this subchapter.

1 (2) If the judge resigns, retires from office, or is succeeded in
2 office by another judge, he shall receive retirement benefits for and during
3 the remainder of his natural life in an amount equal to one-half (1/2) of the
4 salary payable to him at the time of his resignation, retirement, or
5 succession in office.

6 (3) If incapacitating illness or disability should occur during
7 the final term for qualification under these provisions, then the judge so
8 elected shall be eligible to retire at one-half (1/2) pay as provided in this
9 section.

10 (4) In addition thereto, the surviving widow of the qualifying
11 judge shall be entitled to the benefits provided in this subchapter until her
12 death or remarriage."

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

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

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

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/s/Rep. Kidd et al

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