

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

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2015

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5 By: Representative Vess

## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES  
10 MAY CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MUNICIPALITY'S HEALTH  
11 INSURANCE PLAN AFTER RETIREMENT AT THE SAME COVERAGE AND  
12 PREMIUM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

15 "TO PROVIDE THAT MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS AND  
16 EMPLOYEES MAY CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN  
17 THE MUNICIPALITY'S HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN  
18 AFTER RETIREMENT AT THE SAME COVERAGE  
19 AND PREMIUM"

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

23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated § 24-12-129 is amended to read as  
24 follows:

25 "24-12-129. Municipal officials and employees.

26 When any municipal official or municipal employee age fifty-five (55) or  
27 over, who has completed twenty (20) years of service to the municipality and  
28 who is vested in the retirement system retires, the official or employee may  
29 continue to participate in the municipality's health care plan, receiving the  
30 same medical benefits and paying the same premium as active employees as long  
31 as the retired official or employee pays both employer and employee  
32 contributions to the health care plan."

34 SECTION 2. Nothing contained in this act should be interpreted to  
35 prevent a municipality from providing benefits greater than contained in this  
36 act. Further, any person who qualified and participated in a municipal health

1 care plan under Arkansas Code § 24-12-129 shall continue to be eligible to  
2 participate in the health care plan after the effective date of this act.

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

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8 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
9 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
10 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
11 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
12 act are declared to be severable.

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

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17 /s/Vess

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