1 State of Arkansas As Engrossed: S3/25/97 A Bill 2 81st General Assembly SENATE BILL 412 3 Regular Session, 1997 4 5 By: Senators Gordon and Bearden By: Representative Whorton 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE ANNOTATED 24-11-425(d)(1), 10 PERTAINING TO POLICE PENSION AND RELIEF FUNDS IN CITIES OF THE FIRST CLASS, TO CHANGE THE DURATION OF MARRIAGE 11 REOUIRED FOR A SURVIVING SPOUSE OF A POLICE OFFICER WHO 12 13 MARRIED AFTER RETIREMENT TO RECEIVE PENSION BENEFITS FROM TEN YEARS TO ONE YEAR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 14 15 **Subtitle** 16 "TO CHANGE THE DURATION OF MARRIAGE 17 REQUIRED FOR A SURVIVING SPOUSE OF A 18 POLICE OFFICER WHO MARRIED AFTER 19 20 RETIREMENT TO RECEIVE PENSION BENEFITS FROM TEN YEARS TO ONE YEAR" 2.1 22 23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Annotated 24-11-425(d)(1), pertaining to 26 police pension and relief funds in cities of the first class, is amended to 27 read as follows: 28 "(d)(1) If any police officer marries after retirement, that surviving 29 spouse shall may be entitled to a pension under this subchapter if he or she 30 has been married to the police officer for a period of at least ten (10) years 31 and if the actuarial soundness of the fund will not be adversely affected five 32 (5) years, if the board of trustees for the fund decides to extend this 33 benefit for its members, and if the pension fund will be actuarially sound as 34 determined by the actuary for the Arkansas Fire and Police Pension Review 35 Board after this benefit increase is extended to members."

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SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature 2 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code 3 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code. SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to 6 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect 7 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without 8 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this 9 act are declared to be severable. SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are 12 hereby repealed. /s/Gordon et al