

State of Arkansas

82nd General Assembly

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1203

By: Representative Creekmore

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE MAXIMUM AGE FOR MATRICULANT
FIREFIGHTERS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. "

Subtitle

"TO ESTABLISH THE MAXIMUM AGE FOR
MATRICULANT FIREFIGHTERS. "

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

SECTION 1. Legislative Intent. The General Assembly recognizes
for purposes of legality and equality that it is necessary that the maximum
age for a matriculant firefighter should be the same as that established for
firefighters in the career civilian employment of the United States
Government.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 14-51-301(b)(1)(B)(i) is amended to read as
follows:

"(B)(i) No person shall be eligible for appointment to ~~any~~ the position of
firefighter on the fire department who has not arrived at the age of twenty-
one (21) years or who has arrived at the age of ~~thirty-two (32)~~ thirty-six
(36) years; "

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code 20-22-806 is amended to add the
following new language:

"(d) Within the State of Arkansas, all new matriculants into a fire service in
the career, paid position of firefighter shall not have exceeded their thirty-
sixth (36th) birthday upon the onset of initial fire service training."

1 SECTION 4. 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.
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5 SECTION 5. 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.
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11 SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are
12 hereby repealed.
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