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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1374

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5 By: Representative Glover
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For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 24-11-425 TO INCREASE
10 THE SURVIVOR'S DEATH BENEFIT FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN
11 UNDER POLICE PENSION AND RELIEF FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES. "
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Subtitle

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15 "TO INCREASE THE SURVIVOR'S DEATH BENEFIT
16 FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN UNDER POLICE
17 PENSION FUNDS. "
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-11-425(e), regarding the surviving
23 children's benefit at the death of a member of a policemen's pension and
24 relief fund, is amended to read as follows:

25 "(e)(1) In addition to the monthly pension provided in subsections (a)
26 and (b) of this section, the board of trustees shall order and direct the
27 payment of the sum of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125) per month to each
28 child under eighteen (18) years of age who has not completed high school.
29 However, if the child enrolls in an institution of higher learning after
30 completing high school, the payment shall continue as long as the child is a
31 full-time student, but in no instance beyond the child's twenty-third
32 birthday.

33 (2) However, if there is no qualifying surviving spouse, the
34 benefit payable to each qualifying child shall be two hundred fifty dollars
35 (\$250) per month."
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1 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 24-11-425(f), regarding the total benefits
 2 paid at the death of a member of a policemen's pension and relief fund, is
 3 amended to read as follows:

4 "(f) The sum total of the pension to be paid the surviving spouse or
 5 the qualifying ~~child~~ children of the deceased police officer shall not exceed
 6 one-half (1/2) of the salary attached to the rank the police officer held at
 7 the time of his death."

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 9 SECTION 3. No benefit enhancement provided for by this act shall be
 10 implemented if it would cause the publicly supported retirement system's
 11 unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities to exceed a thirty (30) year
 12 amortization. No benefit enhancement provided for by this act shall be
 13 implemented by any publicly supported system which has unfunded actuarial
 14 accrued liabilities being amortized over a period exceeding thirty (30) years
 15 until the unfunded actuarial accrued liability is reduced to a level less than
 16 the standards prescribed by Arkansas Code, Title 24.

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 18 SECTION 4. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature
 19 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
 20 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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 22 SECTION 5. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to
 23 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect
 24 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
 25 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this
 26 act are declared to be severable.

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 28 SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
 29 hereby repealed.

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