State of Arkansas 1 A Bill 2 82nd General Assembly 3 Regular Session, 1999 HOUSE BILL 1463 4 5 By: Representative W. Walker 6 7 For An Act To Be Entitled 8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 24-7-1301(b) CONCERNING 9 PARTICIPATION IN THE TEACHER DEFERRED RETIREMENT 10 OPTION PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." 11 12 Subtitle 13 "CONCERNING PARTICIPATION IN THE TEACHER 14 DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN." 15 16 17 18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS: 19 20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 24-7-1301(b) is amended to read as follows: "(b) The condition required for participation in the teacher deferred 21 22 retirement option plan is that the member must have at least thirty (30) twenty-eight (28) years of service credit in the Arkansas Teacher Retirement 23 System." 24 25 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 24-7-1306 (a) is amended to read as follows: 26 27 "(a) Teacher deferred retirement option plan contributions shall be a 28 percentage of the teacher deferred retirement option plan benefit. The 29 percentage is one hundred percent (100%) reduced by the product of one percent (1%) multiplied by the number of years of contributory service credit and 30 31 fractions thereof, and further reduced by the product of six-tenths percent (0.6%) multiplied by the number of years of noncontributory service credit and 32 fractions thereof. In the event a member has more than thirty (30) twenty-33 eight (28) years of service, the years of service above thirty (30) twenty-34 35 eight (28) years shall be reduced by one-half of one percent (0.5%) for contributory years and three-tenths of one percent (0.3%) for noncontributory 36

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years. Those members already in the teacher deferred retirement option plan
will have a one-time adjustment made in their contributions. The amount of the
one-time adjustment will be determined by the board of trustees. Further, the
board of trustees is authorized to make further adjustments on the teacher
deferred retirement option plan to make it cost neutral to the system."
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SECTION 3. No benefit enhancement provided for by this act shall be
implemented if it would cause the publicly supported retirement system's
unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities to exceed a thirty (30) year
amortization. No benefit enhancement provided for by this act shall be
implemented by any publicly supported system which has unfunded actuarial
accrued liabilities being amortized over a period exceeding thirty (30) years
until the unfunded actuarial accrued liability is reduced to a level less than
the standards prescribed by Arkansas Code, Title 24.
SECTION 4. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.
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SECTION 5. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
act are declared to be severable.
SECTION 6. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
hereby repeal ed.