

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to law as it existed prior to the 82nd General Assembly.

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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 97

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5 By: Senator Bisbee

6 *By: Representatives Sheppard, Bond, Agee, Rackley, Weaver, Hausam, Bledsoe, Dees*  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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10 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE § 14-51-301 TO PROVIDE  
11 EXCEPTIONS TO THE MAXIMUM AGE LIMITATIONS FOR  
12 FIREFIGHTERS IN CITIES WITH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSIONS;  
13 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. "

## Subtitle

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15 "TO PROVIDE EXCEPTIONS TO THE MAXIMUM AGE  
16 LIMITS FOR FIREFIGHTERS IN CITIES WITH  
17 CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSIONS. "  
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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23 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-51-301(b)(1), regarding the rules and  
24 regulations governing civil service systems for municipal police and fire  
25 departments, is amended to read as follows:

26 "(1)(A) The qualifications of each applicant for appointment to any  
27 position on the police or fire department;

28 (B)(i) No person shall be eligible for appointment to any  
29 position on the fire department who has not arrived at the age of twenty-one  
30 (21) years or who, except as provided in subdivision (b)(1)(C) of this  
31 section, has arrived at the age of thirty-two (32) years;

32 (ii) No person shall be eligible for appointment on  
33 the police department affected by this chapter who has not arrived at the age  
34 of twenty-one (21) years;

35 (C) Provided, however, the maximum age limit for appointment to  
36 any position with a fire department in subdivision (b)(1)(B)(i) of this

1 section shall not apply to:

2 (i) Any person who has at least two (2) years of previous  
3 experience as a paid firefighter with another fire department and whose years  
4 of experience as a paid firefighter when subtracted from the person's age  
5 leaves a remainder of not more than thirty-two (32) years; or

6 (ii) Any person who is applying for a position with a fire  
7 department in which the primary functions of the job involve duties  
8 administrative, managerial, or supervisory in nature;"

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10 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
11 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
12 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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14 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
15 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
16 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
17 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
18 act are declared to be severable.

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20 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
21 hereby repealed.

22 /s/ Bisbee

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