

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1131

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6 By: Senator J. Jeffress  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

10 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A RETIREE FROM THE LOCAL  
11 POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO RETURN TO  
12 ACTIVE EMPLOYMENT AND BECOME A MEMBER OF THE  
13 SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A RETIREE FROM THE  
16 LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
17 TO RETURN TO ACTIVE EMPLOYMENT AND  
18 BECOME A MEMBER OF THE SYSTEM.  
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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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24 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-10-504 is amended to read as follows:  
25 24-10-504. Forfeiture and restoration.

26 (a)(1) When a member is no longer employed by any employer in covered  
27 employment, he or she shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Arkansas  
28 Local Police and Fire Retirement System.

29 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, upon  
30 termination of his or her membership his or her credited service shall be  
31 forfeited by him or her.

32 (3) If the person ~~is not a retiree and~~ becomes reemployed by  
33 any employer in covered employment, he or she shall again become a member of  
34 the system under subdivision (a)(4) of this section.

35 (4) Upon his or her reemployment, his or her credited service  
36 last forfeited by him or her shall be restored to his or her credit, but only



1 if he or she returns to the system the amount, if any, he or she withdrew  
 2 therefrom, together with regular interest from the date of withdrawal to the  
 3 date of repayment.

4 (b) Upon a member's retirement, he or she shall thereupon cease to be  
 5 a member. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, he or she shall not  
 6 again become a member of the system.

7 (c)(1) Should a former member entitled to a vested annuity provided  
 8 for in § 24-10-611 reenter covered employment before becoming a retirant, he  
 9 or she shall thereupon cease to be entitled to a vested annuity, and he or  
 10 she shall become a member, with his or her previous credited service  
 11 reactivated and to be increased by the reemployment.

12 (2)(A) If a former member entitled to a vested annuity under §  
 13 24-10-611 reenters covered employment after becoming a retirant, the former  
 14 member may again become a member with previous credited service restored and  
 15 increased by the period of reemployment, but only if the former member:

16 (i) Was a retirant for at least thirty (30) days;

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18 (ii) Remains reemployed for at least twelve (12)

19 months.

20 (B) During the time of reemployment, the retirement  
 21 benefits shall not be paid.

22 (C) The former member may exercise the reemployment option  
 23 under this subsection (c)(2) one (1) time only.

24 (d)(1) Upon the retirement of a member whose credited service results  
 25 from employment with more than one (1) employer, the amount of his or her  
 26 annuity shall be based upon his or her total credited service in force at the  
 27 time of his or her retirement and his or her final average pay during the  
 28 total credited service.

29 (2) Each employer shall be responsible financially, within the  
 30 provisions of this chapter, for the portion of the annuity based upon the  
 31 service credited the member for employment with the employer, and the benefit  
 32 program to be applied to each portion of credited service shall be the  
 33 benefit program the employer had in effect at the time the member left the  
 34 employment of the employer.

35 (e) If it is determined by the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Local  
 36 Police and Fire Retirement System at any time that continuous employment to

1 the time of retirement will leave a member with less than the minimum number  
2 of years of credited service specified in § 24-10-604, then, upon that  
3 determination, the member shall cease to be a member.

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