## 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.

1 2	State of Arkansas 84th General Assembly	As Engrossed: $S2/18/03$ $S3/3/03$ $\mathbf{Bill}$			
3	Regular Session, 2003		SENATE BILL	123	
4	Regular Session, 2005		SERVITE BILL	123	
5	By: Senators Faris, J. Bookou	ut			
6	By: Representatives Mahony, R. Smith				
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9		For An Act To Be Entitled			
10	AN ACT TO CHANGE THE TEACHER DEFERRED RETIREMENT				
11	OPTION PLAN TO REQUIRE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO				
12	THE TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO CONTINUE IF A				
13	MEMBER P	PARTICIPATES IN THE PLAN; AND FOR OTH	HER		
14	PURPOSES	<b>5.</b>			
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16		Subtitle			
17	то сн	IANGE THE TEACHER DEFERRED			
18	RETIR	REMENT OPTION PLAN TO REQUIRE			
19	EMPLO	YER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE RETIRMENT			
20	SYSTE	EM TO CONTINUE.			
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23	BE IT ENACTED BY THE G	ENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKA	NSAS:		
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25	SECTION 1. Arka	nsas Code § 24-7-1303 is amended to	read as follows:		
26	24-7-1303. Cont	ributions to Arkansas Teacher Retire	ement System.		
27	(a) <u>(l)</u> When a m	ember begins participation in the Te	eacher Deferred		
28	Retirement Option Plan	both member and employer contributi	ions to the Arkan	sas	
29	Teacher Retirement Sys	tem <del>on behalf of the member</del> shall ce	ease.		
30	(2) Before	e September 1, 2003, employer contri	butions on behal	<u>f</u>	
31	of the members participating in the Teacher Deferred Retirement Option Plan				
32	that are due the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System may be retained by the				
33	school districts for the purposes under subdivision (b)(1) of this section.				
34	(3) Beginning September 1, 2003, employer contributions to the				
35	Arkansas Teacher Retirement System on behalf of members participating in the				
36	Teacher Deferred Retir	ement Option Plan shall recommence o	or continue.		

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1	(b)(l) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer
2	contribution to the system that has ceased for a participant in the Teacher
3	Deferred Retirement Option Plan will become a part of the general operating
4	fund of the school district to be used for any purpose including employee
5	salaries.
6	(2) The school district shall not make contributions to any tax-
7	qualified retirement plan on behalf of any employee participating in the
8	Teacher Deferred Retirement Option Plan. However, this prohibition shall not
9	be applicable to the extent necessary to comply with contractual obligations
10	incurred by a school district prior to February 1, 1999.
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12	SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
13	General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the Teacher Deferred
14	Retirement Option Plan is not presently cost neutral; that certain changes in
15	the law governing employer contributions are necessary to make it cost
16	neutral; and that the most effective time to make changes to the retirement
17	system is at the beginning of the state's fiscal year. Therefore, an
18	emergency is declared to exist and this act being necessary for the
19	preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective
20	on July1, 2003.
21	/s/ Faris
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