

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 State of Arkansas
2 87th General Assembly
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As Engrossed: H4/1/09
A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1203

5 By: Representative Hoyt
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 *AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO HEALTH BENEFITS FOR*
10 *MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AND OFFICIALS WHO HAVE*
11 *RETIRED; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*
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13 **Subtitle**

14 *AN ACT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO HEALTH*
15 *BENEFITS FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AND*
16 *OFFICIALS WHO HAVE RETIRED.*
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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21 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 24, Chapter 12, Subchapter 1 is amended*
22 *to add a new section to read as follows:*

23 *24-12-132. Health benefits for retired municipal employees and*
24 *officials.*

25 *(a) A retired employee or official may participate in the health care*
26 *plan of the municipality from which he or she retired if he or she:*

27 *(1) Is receiving a retirement benefit from the Arkansas Local*
28 *Police and Fire Retirement System, Arkansas Public Employees Retirement*
29 *System, or a local pension fund; and*

30 *(2) Pays both the employer and the employee contribution to the*
31 *health care plan.*

32 *(b) A retired employee or official who participates in a*
33 *municipality's health care plan under subsection (a) of this section may*
34 *include his or her dependents in the retiree's health care plan if the*
35 *retired employee or official pays both the employer and employee contribution*
36 *to the health care plan for his or her dependents.*



1 (c) Each municipality may choose to pay any portion of the employer
2 and employee contributions to the municipality's health care plan so long as
3 each retired official and each retired employee of the municipality from
4 which he or she retired is treated equally with regard to the dollar amounts
5 that are paid by the municipality toward health care coverage of each
6 retiree.

7 (d) The retired municipal official or retired municipal employee shall
8 pay the amount of the health care premium that is not paid by the employer.

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