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# A Bill

SENATE BILL 141

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

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9 AN ACT TO MAKE THE RESUMPTION OF CREDITED SERVICE  
10 AS A PUBLIC SAFETY MEMBER IN THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC  
11 EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM RETROACTIVE; AND FOR  
12 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

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15 TO MAKE THE RESUMPTION OF CREDITED  
16 SERVICE AS A PUBLIC SAFETY MEMBER IN THE  
17 ARKANSAS PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT  
18 SYSTEM RETROACTIVE.  
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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 § 24-4-101(34)(D), concerning the definition  
24 of "public safety member", is amended to read as follows:

25 (D)(i) "Public safety member" shall not include a member  
26 whose employment as a police officer or firefighter commenced on or after  
27 July 1, 1997.

28 (ii)(a) If a public safety member leaves his or her  
29 employment as a police officer or firefighter for employment as a police  
30 officer or firefighter in a position covered by the Arkansas Public  
31 Employees' Retirement System, Arkansas State Highway Employees' Retirement  
32 System, State Police Retirement System, or Arkansas Local Police and Fire  
33 Retirement System and returns to his or her previous employment as a police  
34 officer or firefighter, the public safety member shall resume receiving  
35 credited service at one and one-half (1½) times the regular rate for  
36 crediting service.



1 (b) A person eligible to resume receiving  
2 public safety credit prior to July 31, 2007 shall receive credited service  
3 for his or her return to employment as a police officer or firefighter at one  
4 and one-half ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) times the regular rate for crediting service.

5 (iii) Subdivision (34)(D)(ii) is retroactive to  
6 January 1, 2000.