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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2	87th General Assembly	A Bill		
3	Regular Session, 2009		SENATE BILL	234
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5	By: Senator Elliott			
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8		For An Act To Be Entitled		
9	AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH CARE BENEFITS FOR			
10	MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES WHO ARE			
11	ELIGIBLE FOR UNREDUCED RETIREMENT WITH ANY STATE			
12	OR LOCAL PENSION AND RELIEF FUND; AND FOR OTHER			
13	PURPOSES			
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16	AN AC	T CONCERNING HEALTH CARE BENEFITS		
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19	RETIR	EMENT WITH ANY STATE OR LOCAL		
20	PENSI	ON AND RELIEF FUND.		
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23	BE IT ENACTED BY THE G	ENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKAN	ISAS:	
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25	SECTION 1. Arkar	nsas Code § 24-12-129 is amended to r	ead as follows:	
26	24-12-129. Munic	cipal officials and employees.		
27	<u>(a)</u> When any mur	nicipal official or municipal employe	e age fifty-five	ə
28	(55) or over who has completed twenty (20) years of service to the			
29	municipality and who is	s vested in the retirement system who) is eligible for	<u>r</u>
30	an unreduced retirement with any state-supported or government-based local			
31	pension and relief fund retires, the official or employee may continue to			
32	participate in the municipality's health care plan, receiving the same			
33	medical benefits and paying the same premium as active employees as long as			3
34	the retired official or employee pays both employer and employee			
35	contributions to the he	ealth care plan.		
36	(b) Each municir	pality may choose to pay any portion	of the employer	



1	and employee contributions to the municipality's health care plan so long as
2	all retired municipal officials and municipal employees within each
3	municipality are treated equally with regard to the dollar amounts that are
4	paid by the municipality toward health care coverage of each retiree.
5	(c) The retired municipal official or retired municipal employee shall
6	pay the amount of the health care premium that is not paid by the employer.
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