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A Bill

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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO ALLOW MEMBERS OF THE STATE POLICE
9 RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO PURCHASE CREDITED SERVICE IN THE
10 SYSTEM FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED FIVE (5) YEARS FOR
11 SERVICE IN THE NATIONAL GUARD OR ARMED FORCES
12 RESERVE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

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16 RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO PURCHASE CREDITED
17 SERVICE FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED FIVE
18 (5) YEARS FOR SERVICE IN THE NATIONAL
19 GUARD OR ARMED FORCES RESERVE.
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 24, Chapter 6, Subchapter 1 is amended
26 to add an additional section to read as follows:

27 24-6-103. Credit for service in national guard and armed forces
28 reserve.

29 (a) As used in this section, "armed forces reserve" means one (1) of
30 the reserve components of the armed forces of the United States.

31 (b)(1) A member of the State Police Retirement System may purchase
32 credited service in the system for a period not to exceed five (5) years for
33 compensated service rendered by the member in the national guard or in the
34 armed forces reserve if the member:

35 (A) Makes an application to the Board of Trustees of the
36 State Police Retirement System;



1 (B) Provides the board with satisfactory proof of that
2 person's service in the national guard or in the armed forces reserve; and

3 (C)(i) For the years of service credit granted, pays to
4 the system the employee and employer contributions based on the greater of:

5 (a) The annual salary received by the member
6 for the member's first full year of credited service that precedes the fiscal
7 year in which the service is purchased; or

8 (b) The average of the three (3) highest
9 annual salaries earned at the time of purchase.

10 (ii) The member shall pay interest from the end of
11 that year of credited service to the date of payment in full.

12 (2) Payment for service under this section shall be based on the
13 contribution rates in effect at the time of the purchase.

14 (3) The payment shall be credited to the member's deposit
15 account and is in addition to any regular member contributions.

16 (c) A member shall receive one (1) year of purchased service credit
17 for every one (1) year of compensated service in the national guard or in the
18 armed forces reserve.

19 (d) The service in the national guard or in the armed forces reserve
20 shall not become credited service under this system until the member:

21 (1) Pays for the year of service in the national guard or in the
22 armed forces reserve prior to retirement; and

23 (2) Has established five (5) or more years of actual service in
24 the system.

25 (e) If a member ceases to be an active member before the service in
26 the national guard or in the armed forces reserve has been established as
27 system-credited service, the member payments contributed under this section
28 are refundable, together with regular interest.

29 (f)(1) This section is supplemental to §§ 24-2-502 and 24-6-210, and
30 this section does not diminish the right of any member of the system to
31 obtain credited service in the system for active duty military service within
32 the limits permitted by §§ 24-2-502 and 24-6-210.

33 (2) However, a member is not entitled to receive more than five
34 (5) years of credited service rendered by the member under this section.

35 (3) A member is not eligible to purchase service credit in more
36 than one (1) retirement system, whether federally or state-supported, for

1 service in the national guard or in the armed forces reserve.

2 (4) Service credit in the system for active duty military
3 service under §§ 24-2-502 and 24-6-210 and for service in the national guard
4 or in the armed forces reserve shall not be given for the same period of
5 time.

6 (5) A member's service in the national guard or in the armed
7 forces reserve shall not make the member eligible for any kind of benefit
8 under any other state-supported retirement system except social security.

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