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2	2 95th General Assembly A Bill	
3	3 Regular Session, 2025	HOUSE BILL 1336
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5	5 By: Representative Warren	
6	6 By: Senator C. Penzo	
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8	8 For An Act To Be Entitled	
9	9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE ADM	INISTRATION
10	AND BENEFIT PLANS OF THE STATE POLICE RETI	REMENT
11	11 SYSTEM; TO AMEND THE SURVIVORS' BENEFIT OP	TIONS UNDER
12	12 THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO AME.	ND THE
13	13 PROVISIONS CONCERNING THE TIER TWO DEFERRE	D
14	14 RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN UNDER THE STATE POL	ICE
15	15 RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.	
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19	19 TO AMEND THE SURVIVORS' BENEFIT OPTIC	ONS
20	20 UNDER THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT	
21	21 SYSTEM; AND TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS	
22	22 CONCERNING THE TIER TWO DEFERRED	
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24	24 POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM.	
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26	26 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF	ARKANSAS:
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28	28 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-6-216, as amended	by 2025 Acts No. 364,
29	29 is amended to read as follows:	
30	30 24-6-216. Benefits — Survivor's pension upon dea	th of retirant.
31	(a)(1) In the event a retirant dies and leaves	a spouse to whom the
32	32 retirant was married, the surviving spouse shall recei	ve a pension equal to
33	33 seventy-five percent (75%) of the retirant's pension,	but only if the spouse
34	34 has under care the retirant's dependent children whose	dates of birth are
35	35 prior to the retirant's date of retirement.	
36	36 (2) When the spouse no longer has under c	are such a dependent

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- 1 child, the pension shall be reduced to fifty percent (50%) of the retirant's pension.
- 3 (3) Upon the spouse's remarriage or death, the pension provided 4 for in this subsection shall terminate.
  - (b)(1) In the event a retirant dies and leaves a spouse to whom he or she was married and who does not have under care the retirant's dependent children, the surviving spouse shall receive a pension equal to fifty percent (50%) of the retirant's pension.
- 9 (2) Upon the spouse's remarriage or death, the pension provided 10 for in this subsection shall terminate.
  - (c)(1) In the event a retirant dies and does not leave a spouse eligible for a pension as provided for in this section, or in the event the surviving spouse dies or remarries and the pension provided for in subsection (a) of this section is terminated, and there is surviving the retirant a dependent child, or children, each such child shall receive a pension of an equal share of seventy-five percent (75%) of the retirant's pension.
- 17 (2) In no case shall the pension payable to any such child 18 exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the retirant's pension.
- (d)(1)(A) A child shall be a dependent child until his or her death, his or her marriage, or his or her attainment of twenty-three (23) years of age, whichever occurs first.
  - (B) The twenty-three-year maximum age shall also be extended for any child who has been deemed physically or mentally incompetent by a court with jurisdiction over the individual or by the Board of Trustees of the State Police Retirement System, for as long as the incompetency exists.
- 27 (2) Once a child ceases to be dependent, his or her annuity 28 shall terminate, and there shall be a redetermination of the amount payable 29 to any remaining dependent children.
- 30 (e)(1) If a surviving spouse who is receiving survivor's benefits
  31 under this section remarries, and the benefits are discontinued, and the
  32 surviving spouse again becomes unmarried, benefits provided in this section
  33 for the spouse shall be resumed.
- 34 (2) Benefits shall be resumed for any surviving spouse who had 35 remarried but is unmarried on that date, but no such benefits will be paid 36 the surviving spouse for any period prior to July 1, 1991.

1 (f) Before the date his or her first annuity payment becomes due, but 2 not thereafter, a noncontributory Tier I member may elect to Option A60 or Option A120 under § 24-6-408: 3 4 (1) Receive his or her annuity as a straight life annuity; or 5 (2)(A) Have his or her annuity reduced and nominate a 6 beneficiary in accordance with the option provisions of § 24-6-408. 7 (B) However, in the instance of Option B75 under § 24-6-8 408(a)(4), the reduced annuity shall be seventy eight percent (78%) if the 9 retirant's age and his or her beneficiary's age are the same on the first payment due date. The reduced annuity of seventy-eight percent (78%) shall 10 11 be: 12 (i) Decreased by three-quarters of one percent 13 (0.75%) for each year the beneficiary's age is less than the retirant's age; 14 <del>or</del> 15 (ii) Increased by three-quarters of one percent 16 (0.75%), up to a maximum of ninety percent (90%), for each year that the 17 beneficiary's age is more than the retirant's age. 18 19 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 24-6-408 is amended to read as follows: 20 24-6-408. Benefit provisions - Election of annuity options Benefits -21 Survivor's pension upon death of retirant. 22 (a)(1) In the event a retirant dies and leaves a spouse to whom the 23 retirant was married, the surviving spouse shall receive a pension equal to seventy-five percent (75%) of the retirant's pension, but only if the spouse 24 25 has under care the retirant's dependent children whose dates of birth are 26 prior to the retirant's date of retirement. (2) When the spouse no <u>longer has under care such a dependent</u> 27 child, the pension shall be reduced to fifty percent (50%) of the retirant's 28 29 pension. 30 (3) Upon the spouse's remarriage or death, the pension provided for in this subsection shall terminate. 31 32 (b)(1) In the event a retirant dies and leaves a spouse to whom he or 33 she was married and who does not have under care the retirant's dependent 34 children, the surviving spouse shall receive a pension equal to fifty percent (50%) of the retirant's pension. 35 36 (2) Upon the spouse's remarriage or death, the pension provided

1 for in this subsection shall terminate. 2 (c)(1) In the event a retirant dies and does not leave a spouse eligible for a pension as provided for in this section, or in the event the 3 4 surviving spouse dies or remarries and the pension provided for in subsection 5 (a) of this section is terminated, and there is surviving the retirant a 6 dependent child, or children, each such child shall receive a pension of an 7 equal share of seventy-five percent (75%) of the retirant's pension. 8 (2) In no case shall the pension payable to any such child 9 exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the retirant's pension. (d)(1)(A) A child shall be a dependent child until his or her death, 10 11 his or her marriage, or his or her attainment of twenty-three (23) years of 12 age, whichever occurs first. 13 (B) The twenty-three-year maximum age shall also be 14 extended for any child who has been deemed physically or mentally incompetent by a court with jurisdiction over the individual or by the Board of Trustees 15 of the State Police Retirement System, for as long as the incompetency 16 17 exists. 18 (2) Once a child ceases to be dependent, his or her annuity 19 shall terminate and there shall be a redetermination of the amount payable to 20 any remaining dependent children. 21 (a)(e) A Before the date his or her first annuity payment becomes due, 22 but not thereafter, a member may elect to receive his or her annuity as a 23 straight life annuity or elect to have that annuity reduced and designate a 24 beneficiary in writing and file the elections with the State Police 25 Retirement System before that annuity starting date under one (1) of the following options: 26 27 (1) Option A60 - Sixty (60) Months Certain and Life Annuity. 28 (A) Under Option A60, the retirant shall be paid a reduced 29 annuity for life with the provisions that if the retirant's death occurs before sixty (60) monthly payments have been made, then the full reduced 30 31 annuity shall continue to be paid for the remainder of the sixty (60) months 32 to such persons and in such shares as the retirant has designated. 33 (B) If there is no beneficiary surviving, the lump-sum actuarial equivalent of the remaining monthly payments shall be paid to the 34

estate of the last survivor among the retirant and the designated

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beneficiary.

1 (C) The reduced annuity shall be ninety-six percent (96%) of the straight life annuity; or 2 3 (2) Option Al20 - One Hundred Twenty (120) Monthly Certain and 4 Life Annuity. 5 (A) Under Option A120, the retirant shall be paid a 6 reduced annuity for life with the provision that if the retirant's death 7 occurs before one hundred twenty (120) monthly payments have been made, the 8 full reduced annuity shall continue to be paid for the remainder of the one 9 hundred twenty (120) months to such persons and in such shares as the 10 retirant has designated. 11 (B) If there is no beneficiary surviving, the lump-sum 12 actuarial equivalent of the remaining monthly payment shall be paid to the 13 estate of the last survivor among the retirant and the designated 14 beneficiary. 15 (C) The reduced annuity shall be ninety percent (90%) of 16 the straight life annuity;. 17 (3) Option B50 - Fifty Percent (50%) Survivor Beneficiary 18 Annuity. 19 (A)(i) Under Option B50, the retirant shall be paid a 20 reduced annuity for life, and upon the retirant's death, one-half (1/2) of the 21 reduced annuity shall continue throughout the future lifetime of and paid to 22 such person as the retirant has designated. 23 (ii) The member may elect either: (a) His or her spouse, to whom the member has 24 25 been married for not less than six (6) months immediately preceding the first 26 payment due date; or 27 (b) A dependent child forty (40) years of age or older who is claimed as a dependent upon the member's federal tax return 28 for not less than one (1) year immediately preceding the first payment due 29 30 date. 31 (B) The reduced annuity to the retirant shall be eighty-32 three percent (83%) if the retirant's age and his or her beneficiary's age are the same on the first payment due date, which shall be decreased by one-33 half percent (0.5%) for each year that the beneficiary's age is less than the 34 retirant's age, or which shall be increased by one half percent (0.5%), up to 35 36 a maximum of ninety five percent (95%), for each year that the beneficiary's

1	age is more than the retirant's age.
2	(C) If the named beneficiary under Option B50 predeceases
3	the retirant, the original unreduced benefit shall be paid to the retirant
4	prospectively; or
5	(4) Option B75 Seventy-Five Percent (75%) Survivor Beneficiary
6	Annuity.
7	(A)(i) Under Option B75, the retirant shall be paid a
8	reduced annuity for life, and upon the retirant's death, three-fourths (3/4) of
9	the reduced annuity shall be continued throughout the future lifetime of and
10	paid to such person as the retirant has designated in writing and filed with
11	the system before his or her annuity starting date.
12	(ii) The member may elect either:
13	(a) His or her spouse to whom the member has
14	been married for not less than six (6) months immediately preceding the first
15	payment due date; or
16	(b) A dependent child forty (40) years of age
17	or older who is claimed as a dependent upon the retirant's federal tax return
18	for not less than one (1) year immediately preceding the first payment due
19	date.
20	(B) The reduced annuity to the retirant shall be seventy-
21	five percent (75%) if the retirant's age and his or her beneficiary's age are
22	the same on the first payment due date, which shall be decreased by three-
23	quarters percent (0.75%) for each year that the beneficiary's age is less
24	than the retirant's age, or which shall be increased by three quarters
25	percent (0.75%) up to a maximum of ninety percent (90%) for each year that
26	the beneficiary's age is more than the retirant's age.
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29 30 31	(C) If the named beneficiary under Option B75 predeceases the retirant, the original unreduced benefit shall be paid to the retirant prospectively.  (b)(1)( $\Lambda$ ) The member may elect to cancel the designation of a beneficiary under Option B50 or Option B75 in writing and file the election
29 30 31 32	(G) If the named beneficiary under Option B75 predeceases the retirant, the original unreduced benefit shall be paid to the retirant prospectively.  (b)(1)(A) The member may elect to cancel the designation of a beneficiary under Option B50 or Option B75 in writing and file the election with the system upon the:
<ul><li>29</li><li>30</li><li>31</li><li>32</li><li>33</li></ul>	(G) If the named beneficiary under Option B75 predeceases the retirant, the original unreduced benefit shall be paid to the retirant prospectively.  (b)(1)(A) The member may elect to cancel the designation of a beneficiary under Option B50 or Option B75 in writing and file the election with the system upon the:  (i) Death of a spouse;

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1 forty (40) years of age or older and is designated as a beneficiary under 2 subsection (a) of this section. 3 (B) The member's election under this subsection shall 4 return the retirant to his or her straight life annuity, or the member may 5 elect Option A60 or Option A120 annuity, to be effective the month following 6 receipt by the system of his or her election. 7 (2)(f)(1) A retirant who is receiving a straight life or an 8 Option A60 or Option A120 annuity and who marries after retirement or within 9 six (6) months immediately preceding retirement may elect to cancel his or 10 her straight life, Option A60, or Option A120 annuity and may elect Option 11 850 or Option 875 to provide continuing lifetime benefits to his or her 12 spouse, if the election is: 13 (A) Submitted on a form approved by the system; and 14 (B) Received by the system no earlier than six (6) months 15 after the date of the marriage and no later than one (1) year after that 16 17  $\frac{(3)}{(2)}$  The election shall be effective the first day of the 18 month following its receipt. 19 (c) If a member fails to elect an option, his or her annuity shall be 20 paid to him or her as a straight life annuity. 21 22 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 24-6-411, as amended by Acts 2025, No. 364, 23 is amended to read as follows: 24 24-6-411. Benefit provisions - Death before retirement. 25 (a) If an active member with five (5) or more years of actual service, 26 including service for the year immediately preceding his or her death, dies 27 in employer service before retirement, the applicable benefit provided in 28 this section shall be allowed upon the survivor's written application filed 29 with the State Police Retirement System. 30 (b)(l)(A) If a member dies and is not being paid on that date by his or her employer due solely to illness incurred before he or she left the 31 32 payroll and the death occurs within one (1) year of the last payroll, the 33 member shall be considered, for purposes of this section, to have died as an 34 active member if all other necessary provisions of this section are met. 35 (B) To compute benefits provided by this section, the

deceased member's salary at the time of death shall be his or her salary for

1 the year immediately preceding the cessation of his or her pay. 2 (2)(A) If an active member with five (5) or more years of actual service does not have credited service for the year immediately preceding 3 4 death due to illness which eventually leads to his or her death or due to his 5 or her employer's removing the member from the payroll because of temporary 6 economic conditions of the employer or weather conditions, the active member 7 shall be considered, only for eligibility purposes of the section, to have 8 credited service for the year preceding death. 9 (B) Benefits shall be paid according to the salary earned 10 during the year preceding death. 11 (c)(1) The deceased member's surviving spouse who was married to the 12 member for at least six (6) months immediately preceding the member's death 13 shall receive an annuity computed in the same manner in all respects as if 14 the member had: 15 (A) Retired on the date of his or her death with 16 entitlement to an annuity provided for in § 24-6-406; 17 (B) Elected the Option B75 survivor annuity provided for 18 in § 24-6-408; and 19 (C) Designated his or her spouse as joint beneficiary. 20 (2)(A) If the deceased member has satisfied the age and service requirement provided for in § 24-6-404 or had acquired twenty (20) years? 21 22 actual service, then the spousal annuity shall be payable for life. 23 (B)(i) If the member had acquired fifteen (15) years' actual service, but had not attained sixty-five (65) years of age, the 24 spousal annuity shall commence at the later of either fifty (50) years of age 25 26 or his or her age at his or her death and shall be payable until the earlier 27 of his or her remarriage or death. 28 (ii) Otherwise, the spousal annuity shall commence at the later of either sixty two (62) years of age or his or her age at his or 29 30 her death and shall be payable until the earlier of either his or her 31 remarriage or death. 32 (3) The spousal annuity shall not be less than ten percent (10%) 33 of the deceased member's covered compensation at the time of death. 34 (4) For as long as the surviving spouse has in his or her care any of the deceased member's dependent children who receive a benefit 35 36 provided for in this section, there shall be payable to him or her a spousal

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1 annuity which shall not be less than ten percent (10%) of the deceased 2 member's compensation at the time of death. (d)(1) The deceased member's dependent child or dependent children 3 4 shall each receive an annuity of the greater of either: 5 (A) Ten percent (10%) of the member's covered compensation 6 at the time of death: or 7 (B) An equal share of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) 8 monthly. 9 (2) If there are three (3) or more dependent children, each 10 dependent child shall receive as an annuity an equal share of the greater of: 11 (A) Either twenty-five percent (25%) of the member's 12 covered compensation; or (B) One hundred fifty dollars (\$150) monthly. 13 14 (3) (A) A child is considered a dependent child as used in 15 subdivision (d)(1) of this section and for purposes of receiving a survivor's annuity until the child's death, marriage, or attainment of twenty-three (23) 16 17 years of age, whichever occurs first. 18 (B) The twenty-three-year maximum age shall be extended 19 for any child who has been deemed physically or mentally incompetent by an 20 Arkansas court of competent jurisdiction or by the Board of Trustees of the State Police Retirement System for as long as the incompetency exists. 21 22 (4) Once a child ceases to be a dependent child, his or her 23 annuity shall terminate, and there shall be a redetermination of the amounts payable to any remaining dependent children. 24 25 (e)(1) If at the time of the member's death there is neither a spouse 26 nor a dependent child, each dependent parent shall receive an allowance of 27 the greater of either ten percent (10%) of the deceased member's covered 28 compensation or an equal share of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) monthly. (2) A dependent parent eligible for a survivor benefit under 29 30 this section shall have been claimed as dependent upon the deceased member's or former member's federal tax return for not less than one (1) year 31 32 immediately preceding the member's death. 33 (f)(1) If no annuity can become payable to a dependent child due to 34 the member's death, the surviving spouse or dependent parents may elect to receive a refund of the member's or former member's accumulated contributions 35 36 as provided in § 24-6-222 in lieu of any benefits which could become payable

1	under this plan if the:
2	(A) Surviving spouse or dependent parents are the only
3	persons who will be eligible for monthly benefits; and
4	(B) Surviving spouse or dependent parents are also the
5	designated beneficiaries of the deceased member.
6	(2) The option to choose a refund of the deceased member's
7	contribution shall also be afforded to any spouse or dependent parent
8	qualified under this section whose eligibility for the benefit occurred
9	before the passage of this chapter and who could not exercise that option.
10	(3) A refund of the deceased member's accumulated contributions
11	made to the surviving spouse or dependent parents under this subsection
12	precludes any right or future claim to monthly retirement benefits due to the
13	death of the member.
14	(g)(1) In the event all the annuities provided for in this section
15	payable on account of the member's death terminate before there has been paid
16	an aggregate amount equal to his or her accumulated contributions standing to
17	his or her credit in the member's deposit account at the time of his or her
18	death, the difference between the accumulated contributions and the aggregate
19	amount of annuity payments shall be paid to such person as he or she shall
20	have nominated by written designation duly executed and filed with the
21	system.
22	(2) If there is no designated person surviving a termination,
23	the difference shall be paid to the member's estate.
24	(h)(1) A surviving spouse of a deceased member whose benefits were
25	terminated due to remarriage under the provisions of this section shall be
26	entitled to a reinstatement of benefits upon the death of any subsequent
27	spouse.
28	(2) The reinstated benefits shall cease immediately upon the
29	subsequent remarriage or death of the surviving spouse of the deceased
30	member.
31	(i)(l) If the member is killed while in the official line of duty and
32	the surviving spouse is eligible for a deferred benefit under this section,
33	the surviving spouse may elect to receive a reduced benefit beginning
34	immediately.
35	(2) The reduction of the benefit otherwise defined in this
36	section shall be:

1	(A) Five-tenths of one percent (0.5%) per month for each
2	of the first sixty (60) months that the benefit begins before it would have
3	otherwise begun; plus
4	(B) Twenty-five hundredths of one percent (0.25%) per
5	month for each month more than sixty (60) months that the benefit begins
6	before it would have otherwise begun.
7	(3) However, the total reduction under this subsection shall not
8	be more than fifty percent (50%).
9	(4) Those who otherwise would have been eligible for this
10	benefit on or after July 1, 2002, may also elect this reduced benefit
11	<del>prospectively.</del>
12	(a)(1) A member's surviving spouse who has the care of the member's
13	dependent child or children shall receive a pension equal to the greater of
14	one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800) per annum or seventy-five percent
15	(75%) of the pension to which the member would have been entitled had he or
16	she retired the day preceding the date of his or her death, even if the
17	member was not eligible to retire.
18	(2) When the surviving spouse no longer has the care of the
19	dependent child, the pension shall be reduced to the greater of one thousand
20	two hundred dollars (\$1,200) per annum or fifty percent (50%) of the pension
21	to which the member would have been entitled had he or she retired the day
22	preceding the date of his or her death, even if the member was not eligible
23	to retire.
24	(3) Upon the surviving spouse's remarriage or death, the pension
25	provided for in this subsection shall terminate.
26	(b)(l) A member's surviving spouse who does not have in his or her
27	care the member's dependent child or children shall receive a pension equal
28	to the greater of one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1,200) per annum or
29	fifty percent (50%) of the pension to which the member would have been
30	entitled had he or she retired the day preceding the date of his or her
31	death, even if the member was not eligible to retire.
32	(2) Upon the surviving spouse's remarriage or death, the pension
33	provided for in this subsection shall terminate.
34	(c)(l) If a member dies and does not leave a spouse, or the surviving
35	spouse remarries or dies and there is a surviving dependent child or children
36	of the member, each such child shall receive a pension of an equal share of

- 1 the greater of one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800) per annum or
- 2 <u>seventy-five percent (75%) of the pension to which the member would have been</u>
- 3 <u>entitled had he or she retired the day preceding the date of his or her</u>
- 4 death, even if the member was not eligible to retire.
- 5 (2) The annual pension payable to any such child shall not
- 6 <u>exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the final average annual salary of the</u>
- 7 deceased member.
- 8 (d)(1) In the event a member who has five (5) or more years of
- 9 credited service in the State Police Retirement System dies and leaves
- 10 <u>neither a spouse nor children eligible for pensions provided for in</u>
- 11 <u>subsections (a)-(c) of this section</u>, and there is surviving the member his or
- 12 <u>her parents, whom are claimed as dependent upon the member's federal tax</u>
- 13 <u>return for not less than one (1) year immediately preceding the member's</u>
- 14 <u>death</u>, each dependent parent shall receive a pension of an equal share of
- 15 <u>fifty percent (50%) of the pension to which the member would have been</u>
- 16 <u>entitled had he or she retired the day preceding the date of the member's</u>
- 17 <u>death</u>, even if the member was not eligible to retire.
- 18 <u>(2) Upon the remarriage or death of the parent, his or her</u>
- 19 <u>pension shall terminate.</u>
- 20 <u>(e)(1)(A) A child is a dependent child for purposes of receiving a</u>
- 21 survivor's annuity until the child's death, marriage, or attainment of
- 22 twenty-three (23) years of age, whichever occurs first.
- 23 (B) The twenty-three-year maximum age shall also be
- 24 <u>extended for any child who has been deemed physically or mentally incompetent</u>
- 25 <u>by a court with jurisdiction over the individual or by the Board of Trustees</u>
- 26 of the State Police Retirement System, for as long as the incompetency
- 27 exists.
- 28 (2) Once a child ceases to be a dependent child, his or her
- 29 annuity shall terminate and there shall be a redetermination of the amount
- 30 payable to any remaining dependent children.
- 31 <u>(3) The board is authorized to establish through rules a means</u>
- 32 <u>of verification of a surviving dependent child under this section for</u>
- 33 purposes of pension benefits.
- 34 (f) If a surviving spouse who is receiving survivor's benefits under
- 35 this section remarries, and the benefits are discontinued, and the surviving

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36 <u>spouse again becomes unmarried, benefits provided in this section for the</u>

1 spouse shall be resumed. 2 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 24-6-504(3), concerning employer 3 4 contributions to the Arkansas State Police Officers' Tier Two Deferred 5 Retirement Option Plan, is amended to read as follows: 6 (3) Seventy-two percent (72%) One hundred percent (100%) of the 7 monthly retirement benefits that would have been payable had the employee 8 elected to cease employment and receive a service retirement shall be paid 9 into the Arkansas State Police Officers' Tier Two Deferred Retirement Option 10 Plan account. 11 12 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 27-53-210(b), concerning the partial reimbursement to the Division of Arkansas State Police for the cost of making 13 14 copies of motor vehicle accident reports and records of traffic violations, 15 is amended to read as follows: 16 (b)(1) In order to partially reimburse the division for the cost of 17 making photostatic or written copies of motor vehicle accident reports and 18 copies of records of traffic violations, there shall be charged a fee of ten 19 dollars (\$10.00) twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each copy of a basic 20 accident report and a fee of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) per page for 21 each copy of a supplemental report. 22 (2) All funds collected under this subsection shall immediately 23 be paid over by the division to the Treasurer of State and shall be credited 24 by him or her as a special revenue to the Division of Arkansas State Police 25 Fund with: 26 (A) Ten dollars (\$10.00) to be used for operations; and 27 (B)(i) Fifteen dollars (\$15.00) to be used for the benefits under §§ 24-6-216, 24-6-408, and 24-6-504. 28 29 (ii) The transfers under subdivision (b)(2)(B)(i) of 30 this section shall be limited in use solely for the purpose of funding the 31 State Police Retirement System. 32 SECTION 6. DO NOT CODIFY. Temporary language. 33 As of July 1, 2025, all retirants under the Tier Two Benefit Plan for 34

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the State Police Retirement System will begin receiving the benefits provided

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under § 24-6-408.

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2	SECTION 7. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the
3	General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that certain provisions of the
4	Arkansas Code concerning the State Police Retirement System are in need of
5	revision and updating to maintain the retirement laws in conformance with
6	sound public pension policy; that the State Police Retirement System operates
7	on a fiscal year of July 1 to June 30; that having a July 1, 2025, effective
8	date is necessary to allow the provisions within this act to begin on the
9	first day of the fiscal year to provide proper administration of the
10	procedures herein; that such revisions and updating are of great importance
11	for actuarial purposes and to protect the benefits to members of the State
12	Police Retirement System; and that this act is necessary in order to maintain
13	an orderly system of benefits for the members of the State Police Retirement
14	System. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being
15	necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall
16	become effective on July 1, 2025.
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