

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.  
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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1211

By: Representative Dotson

## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RETIREMENT CREDIT  
AND THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE RETIREMENT  
SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING RETIREMENT  
CREDIT AND THE ARKANSAS LOCAL POLICE AND  
FIRE RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

*SECTION 1. The introductory language of Arkansas Code § 24-10-701(a), concerning the election to participate, is amended to read as follows:*

*(a) In lieu of terminating employment and accepting a ~~paid~~ voluntary service retirement benefit, a police officer or firefighter who is a member in paid service with the Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System may elect in a manner prescribed by the system to participate in the Local Police and Fire Deferred Retirement Option Plan under § 24-10-701 and defer the receipt of benefits in accordance with the provisions of this subchapter, provided that the member meets one (1) of the following requirements:*

*SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 24-10-702 is amended to read as follows: 24-10-702. Credited service.*

*(a) For purposes of this subchapter, "credited service":*

*(1) Includes military service credit under § 24-10-502; and*

*(2) ~~Shall~~ Does not include service credit that is ~~volunteer~~ service or other credited service that is purchased under the Arkansas Local*



*Police and Fire Retirement System.*

*(b) An active member in paid service may use up to thirty-six (36) months of actual volunteer service credit with the system to attain eligibility to participate in the Local Police and Fire Deferred Retirement Option Plan under § 24-10-701.*

*(c) In all cases, the accrual of any additional service credit shall not occur upon the enrollment in the Local Police and Fire Deferred Retirement Option Plan under § 24-10-701.*

/s/Dotson

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