

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.
Act 624 of the Regular Session

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As Engrossed: S3/19/19
A Bill

SENATE BILL 217

By: Senator B. Sample
By: Representative Warren

For An Act To Be Entitled

*AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN
EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.*

Subtitle

*TO AMEND THE LAW REGARDING THE ARKANSAS
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND
TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.*

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-4-804(c)(1), as amended by Acts 2019, No. 448, § 12, is amended to read as follows to correct an error in the amendment of § 24-4-804(c)(1) by Acts 2019, No. 448, § 12:

(c)(1) When a member's participation in the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System Deferred Retirement Option Plan ceases, ~~that member is not eligible for employment in any position covered by the plans identified in § 24-2-401(3), except as provided for~~ the member shall separate from service as provided in § 24-4-520 unless the separation period would prevent a popularly elected official from taking or holding office.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that the operations of the Arkansas Public Employees' Retirement System must be able to meet the needs of its members as anticipated by the General Assembly; that Acts 2019, No. 448, which was immediately effective, contained an error that is in imminent need



of revision; and that this act is immediately necessary in order to maintain an orderly system of benefits for the members of the system. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:

(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;

(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor, the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the bill; or

(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.

/s/B. Sample

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