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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1224

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## For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING TERMINATION OF  
EMPLOYMENT FOR PURPOSES OF RETIREMENT ELIGIBILITY  
UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES.

## Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING TERMINATION  
OF EMPLOYMENT FOR PURPOSES OF RETIREMENT  
ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE ARKANSAS TEACHER  
RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 24-7-502(a)(2)(A), concerning termination of employment for purposes of retirement eligibility, is amended to read as follows:

(2)(A) ~~Effective July 1, 2011, a~~ A member shall not be terminated from employment for purposes of retirement eligibility if within ~~six (6) calendar months~~ one hundred eighty (180) days of the member's effective date of retirement the member:

(i) Meets both of the following requirements:

(a) Becomes employed with an employer covered by the system in a position other than that of a school bus driver or a long-term or short-term substitute teacher; and

(b) Has not attained the system's normal retirement age; or



(ii) Does not have a total or a combined total of thirty-eight (38) years or more of credited service in the system, Teacher Deferred Retirement Option Plan, or reciprocal service in another eligible state retirement system.