

HOUSE BILL 3152
By Peach

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapters 34 through 37, relative to the Tennessee consolidated retirement system.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 35, is amended by adding the following new section:

Section ___. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, former and current full-time employees of any entity which receive or have received over fifty percent (50%) of its annual budget from state funds shall be eligible for membership in the Tennessee consolidated retirement system and to receive creditable service for employment with such entity in accordance with the provisions of this act.

(b) Any employee establishing such prior service must make a lump sum payment equal to the employee contributions such employee would have made had such employee been a member of the retirement system during the period claimed, plus interest at the rate provided in § 8-37-214.

(c) Retirement benefits payable on service established pursuant to this section shall be computed in accordance with the provisions of chapter 36 of this title. In no event shall the benefit payable on such service exceed that provided under § 8-36-208. Such benefit is subject to the limitations of § 8-36-102.

(d) Service pursuant to this section shall be independent of all other creditable service for the purpose of calculating the member's average final compensation.

(e) For the purposes of determining the limitations on the amount of the retirement allowance as provided in § 8-36-102, the average final compensation for service granted pursuant to this section shall be independent of the average final compensation calculation on any other creditable service in the retirement system.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.