

House Bill 602

By: Representatives McBee of the 88th and Cummings of the 27th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 5 of Chapter 3 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to service creditable toward retirement benefits under the Teachers Retirement
3 System of Georgia, so as to define a certain term; to provide that a member of such
4 retirement system who continues to teach after attaining 25 years of creditable service shall
5 be entitled to have an additional 0.1 percent added to his or her benefit formula upon
6 retirement for each such year of service, for a maximum of 0.5 percent; to provide conditions
7 for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Article 5 of Chapter 3 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
11 service creditable toward retirement benefits under the Teachers Retirement System of
12 Georgia, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following:

13 "47-3-93.

14 (a) As used in this Code section, the term 'blackboard teacher' means a teacher of grades
15 kindergarten through 12 who has as his or her primary responsibility the academic
16 instruction of students in a classroom for not less than four hours a day throughout
17 the entire contract year.

18 (b) Any other provision of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, any member who
19 serves after July 1, 2002, for an entire contract year as a blackboard teacher after the year
20 in which he or she attains 25 years of creditable service shall be entitled to have 0.1 percent
21 added to his or her benefit calculation upon retirement, up to a maximum of 0.5 percent,
22 for each such year of such credit."

23 **SECTION 2.**

24 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2002, only if it is determined to have been
25 concurrently funded as provided in Chapter 20 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia

1 Annotated, the "Public Retirement Systems Standards Law"; otherwise, this Act shall not
2 become effective and shall be automatically repealed in its entirety on July 1, 2002, as
3 required by subsection (a) of Code Section 47-20-50.

4 **SECTION 3.**

5 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.