

Senate Bill 44

By: Senators Hill of the 4th, Smith of the 25th, Jackson of the 50th, Marable of the 52nd, Meyer von Bremen of the 12th and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 5 of Article 8 of Chapter 2 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia
2 Annotated, relating to provisions applicable to certain law enforcement personnel under the
3 Employees' Retirement System of Georgia, so as to provide that under certain conditions,
4 persons employed as correction officers, parole officers, and probation officers may retire
5 after accruing 25 years of creditable service without regard to age; to provide conditions for
6 an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Part 5 of Article 8 of Chapter 2 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
10 relating to provisions applicable to certain law enforcement personnel under the Employees'
11 Retirement System of Georgia, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following:

12 "47-2-226.

13 Any other provision of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, any member who is
14 employed by the Department of Corrections as a prison guard, by the State Board of
15 Pardons and Paroles as a parole officer, or by the Department of Corrections as a probation
16 officer and who has at least 25 years of creditable service may, upon written application
17 to the board of trustees, retire on a service retirement allowance without regard to age,
18 provided that such member has at least ten years of actual service in any such position in
19 a nonsupervisory capacity."

20 **SECTION 2.**

21 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2002, only if it is determined to have been
22 concurrently funded as provided in Chapter 20 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia
23 Annotated, the "Public Retirement Systems Standards Law"; otherwise, this Act shall not
24 become effective and shall be automatically repealed in its entirety on July 1, 2002, as
25 required by subsection (a) of Code Section 47-20-50.

- 1 **SECTION 3.**
- 2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.