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ADOPTED

1 Senator Henson of the 41st offered the following amendment:

- Amend the Senate Appropriations Committee substitute to HB 1751 by inserting on line 4
- of page 1, following the word and symbol "entities;", the following:
- 4 "to provide that the Board of Community Health is authorized to contract with the
- 5 community service boards for the inclusion in such plan of any person who retires as an
- 6 employee of a community service board with at least ten years of actual service and after
- attaining the age of 60 years, or after 30 years of actual service to a community service
- 8 board regardless of age; to provide for employer and employee contributions;"
- 9 By inserting immediately following line 33 of page 2 the following:
- 10 "Said article is further amended by inserting immediately following Code Section 45-18-7.7
- a new Code section to read as follows:
- 12 '45-18-7.8.

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The board is authorized to contract for the continuation of coverage in any health insurance plan established under this article for their employees and their eligible dependents with the community service boards created by Chapter 2 of Title 37 for the inclusion of employees who retire on or after July 1, 2003, with at least ten years of actual service to a community service board after having attained the age of 60 years, or after 30 years of actual service to a community service board regardless of age, and the spouses and dependent children of such employees, as defined by the regulations of the board, in any health insurance plan or plans established under this article. It shall be the duty of each community service board to collect such payment from its qualified retired employees or dependents as may be required under the board's regulations. In addition, it shall be the duty of each community service board to make the employer contributions required for the operation of such plan or plans; provided, however, that each community service board shall be liable for the entire amount due without regard to whether it has received the employee's share.'

27 SECTION 5."