

House Bill 568

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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 credit toward retirement benefits in the Teachers Retirement System of
3 Georgia, so as to provide that the State Board of Education is authorized to identify certain
4 qualified teachers and grant to such teachers up to one year of creditable service after
5 teaching in an underperforming school for five consecutive years; to provide for notification
6 and payment of funds; to provide conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to
7 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 credit toward retirement benefits in the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, is
12 amended by inserting at the end thereof a new Code section to read as follows:

13 "47-3-96.

14 (a) The State Board of Education is authorized to identify certain qualified teachers and
15 grant to such teachers up to one year of creditable service after teaching in an
16 underperforming school for five consecutive years.

17 (b) As a condition for granting the creditable service provided for in subsection (a) of this
18 Code section, the State Board of Education shall notify the board of trustees of the name
19 of such teacher and shall pay to this retirement system, from funds appropriated to or
20 otherwise available to the State Board of Education, such amount as determined by the
21 actuary as necessary to grant such benefit to the teacher so identified without creating any
22 actuarial accrued liability as to this retirement system; provided, however, that no such
23 creditable service shall be granted until the board of trustees has received the full amount
24 so determined."

