

House Bill 731

By: Representatives Borders of the 175<sup>th</sup> and Black of the 174<sup>th</sup>

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 3 of Chapter 23 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,  
2 relating to membership in the Georgia Judicial Retirement System, so as to provide that any  
3 person who was serving as a juvenile court judge on July 1, 2006, and who was not a  
4 member of any state or local retirement system or pension fund may become a member of  
5 the Georgia Judicial Retirement System; to provide that any such person may obtain up to  
6 five years of creditable service upon payment of the employer's and employee's contribution  
7 with interest; to provide for related matters; to provide conditions for an effective date and  
8 automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

10 Article 3 of Chapter 23 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
11 membership in the Georgia Judicial Retirement System, is amended by inserting at the end  
12 thereof the following:  
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14 "47-23-51.

15 (a) Any person who on July 1, 2006, was serving as a juvenile court judge and who was  
16 not a member of any state or local retirement system or pension fund may make an  
17 irrevocable election to become a member of this system. Such election must be made in  
18 writing to the board of trustees not later than December 31, 2006.

19 (b) Any member who becomes a member under the provisions of subsection (a) of this  
20 Code section may obtain up to five years of creditable service for prior service as a juvenile  
21 court judge by paying to the board of trustees the employer and employee contributions  
22 that would have been made if he or she had been a member of this retirement system  
23 together with regular interest thereon, compounded annually, based upon his or her  
24 compensation at the time such service was rendered. No service may be used for purposes  
25 of this subsection which may also be used for credit in any other public retirement system  
26 or pension fund."

