

House Bill 495 (COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

By: Representatives Coleman of the 97th, Bridges of the 10th, Jamieson of the 28th, Cummings of the 16th, and Jones of the 46th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to retirement allowances, disability benefits, and spouses' benefits under the
3 Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, so as to provide that any employer may employ a
4 person who was retired under the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia on December 31,
5 2003, in a full-time capacity in any position and such person's retirement benefit shall not
6 be affected; to provide that such person's salary shall be commensurate with his or her
7 position and qualifications; to provide that any such person so employed shall continue to be
8 a beneficiary of such retirement system and shall obtain no further credit toward retirement;
9 to provide that the employer shall pay the normal employer's contribution to the retirement
10 system for such employee; to provide that any retired member of the Teachers Retirement
11 System of Georgia may return to full-time employment in any covered position and such
12 person's retirement benefits shall not be affected; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
13 purposes.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

15 **SECTION 1.**

16 Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
17 retirement allowances, disability benefits, and spouses' benefits under the Teachers
18 Retirement System of Georgia, is amended by striking in its entirety Code Section
19 47-2-127.1, relating to the employment of a retired teacher as a full-time teacher or in other
20 capacities, and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

21 "47-3-127.1.

22 (a) As used in this Code section, the term:

23 ~~(1) 'Classroom teacher' means a certified teacher of pre-kindergarten through grade 12~~
24 ~~employed by the public schools who has as his or her primary responsibility the academic~~
25 ~~instruction of students in a classroom.~~

