

House Bill 730

By: Representative Powell of the 29th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 5 of Chapter 2 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to service creditable toward retirement under the Employees' Retirement System of
3 Georgia, so as to provide for creditable service for prior service as a full-time hourly
4 employee with the Department of Natural Resources; to provide for application and payment
5 of employee's contribution and interest; to provide conditions for an effective date and
6 automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

7 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:**

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Article 5 of Chapter 2 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
10 service creditable toward retirement under the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia,
11 is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

12 "47-2-101.

13 Any other provision of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, any member who was
14 employed in a full-time hourly position with the Department of Natural Resources
15 immediately prior to becoming a member of the retirement system shall be entitled to
16 obtain creditable service for all such prior service rendered prior to November 1, 2005,
17 subject to the conditions contained in this Code section. In order to be eligible for such
18 creditable service, the member must make application as prescribed by the board not later
19 than December 31, 2008, provide proof of such prior service, and pay the employee
20 contributions which he or she would have paid if he or she had been a member of the
21 retirement system, together with regular interest thereon."

22 **SECTION 2.**

23 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2008, only if it is determined to have been
24 concurrently funded as provided in Chapter 20 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia
25 Annotated, the "Public Retirement Systems Standards Law"; otherwise, this Act shall not

1 become effective and shall be automatically repealed in its entirety on July 1, 2008, as
2 required by subsection (a) of Code Section 47-20-50.

3 **SECTION 3.**

4 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.