

Senate Bill 333

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 47-2-334 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 membership in the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia for persons employed on or
3 after July 1, 1982, service retirement allowance, calculation, employee membership
4 contributions, employer contributions, optional membership, conditions, and construction of
5 provisions, so as to provide that certain members subject to the provisions of such retirement
6 system with at least 34 years of service shall be eligible to retire forthwith regardless of age
7 and, upon retirement, shall be paid the allowance which would have been payable upon
8 service retirement at the age of 65 had he or she continued in service; to provide conditions
9 for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

11 **SECTION 1.**

12 Code Section 47-2-334 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to membership
13 in the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia for persons employed on or after July 1,
14 1982, service retirement allowance, calculation, employee membership contributions,
15 employer contributions, optional membership, conditions, and construction of provisions, is
16 amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

17 "(j)(1) As used in this subsection, the term 'qualified member' means any law
18 enforcement officer subject to the provisions of this Code section who:

19 (A) Was employed prior to July 1, 1982, by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation as a
20 narcotics agent;

21 (B) Has been employed by an employer as a law enforcement officer subsequent to his
22 or her first employment as a narcotics agent without a break in service; and

23 (C) Obtained creditable service for service as a narcotics agent rendered prior to July 1,
24 1982, pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 47-2-225.

25 (2) Anything in this Code section to the contrary notwithstanding, any qualified member
26 with at least 34 years of service shall be eligible to retire forthwith without regard to age

1 and, upon retirement, shall be paid not less than the service retirement allowance which
2 would have been payable upon service retirement at the age of 65 had he continued in
3 service without further change in compensation."

4 **SECTION 2.**

5 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2008, only if it is determined to have been
6 concurrently funded as provided in Chapter 20 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia
7 Annotated, the "Public Retirement Systems Standards Law"; otherwise, this Act shall not
8 become effective and shall be automatically repealed in its entirety on July 1, 2008, as
9 required by subsection (a) of Code Section 47-20-50.

10 **SECTION 3.**

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