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The Honorable Bill Cowsert  
State Senator  
State Capitol, Room 109  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

SUBJECT: State Auditor's Certification  
Senate Bill (LC 21 0345)

Dear Senator Cowsert:

This bill would amend provisions relating to membership in the Peace Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund. Specifically, this bill would authorize certain persons employed as county jail officers to become members of the Peace Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund. Membership would only be extended to those persons who are certified as peace officers pursuant to the provisions of the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Act. Persons who elect to join the Fund would be entitled to the benefits offered to all other members.

This is to certify that this bill is a fiscal retirement bill as defined in the Public Retirement Systems Standards Law.

Respectfully,

/s/ Russell W. Hinton  
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