

House Bill 344

By: Representatives Baker of the 78th, Weldon of the 3rd, Allison of the 8th, Epps of the 140th,
Neal of the 75th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 4 of Chapter 23 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to service creditable under the Georgia Judicial Retirement System, so as to provide
3 that juvenile court judges and other members of such retirement system may obtain
4 creditable service for prior service as a full-time associate juvenile court judge; to provide
5 conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
6 purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Article 4 of Chapter 23 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
10 service creditable under the Georgia Judicial Retirement System, is amended by revising
11 Code Section 47-23-65, relating to creditable service for certain prior service, as follows:

12 "47-23-65.

13 Any superior court judge, juvenile court judge, or district attorney who is an active member
14 of this retirement system may receive up to five years of creditable service for his or her
15 past service as a circuit-paid assistant district attorney or full-time associate juvenile court
16 judge who was not eligible to participate in a local retirement plan or did participate in such
17 a plan but did not vest for a retirement benefit upon payment to the board of trustees of an
18 amount which will allow such creditable service without creating any accrued actuarial
19 unfunded liability as to this retirement system. Any member desiring such creditable
20 service shall make application to the board of trustees in such form as the board deems
21 appropriate, provide such proof of eligible prior service as the board deems necessary, and
22 make full payment not later than December 31, ~~2008~~ 2012, or within six months of first or
23 again becoming a member, whichever is later. No creditable service shall be allowed under
24 this Code section for any period of employment for which creditable service is allowed
25 under any provision of any other retirement or pension system of this state or of any
26 political subdivision of this state."

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SECTION 2.

28 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2012, only if it is determined to have been
29 concurrently funded as provided in Chapter 20 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia
30 Annotated, the "Public Retirement Systems Standards Law"; otherwise, this Act shall not
31 become effective and shall be automatically repealed in its entirety on July 1, 2012, as
32 required by subsection (a) of Code Section 47-20-50.

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SECTION 3.

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