

House Bill 470

By: Representatives Randall of the 142nd, Dickey of the 140th, Peake of the 141st, and Beverly of the 143rd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend an Act providing for a Civil Service System and a Civil Service Board for Bibb
2 County, approved March 9, 1955 (Ga. L. 1955, p. 682), as amended, particularly by an Act
3 approved April 9, 1981 (Ga. L. 1981, p. 750), and an Act approved April 14, 1997 (Ga. L.
4 1997, p. 4099), so as to define a certain term; to provide for an award of an attorney's fee
5 under certain conditions; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 An Act providing for a Civil Service System and a Civil Service Board for Bibb County,
9 approved March 9, 1955 (Ga. L. 1955, p. 682), as amended, particularly by an Act approved
10 April 9, 1981 (Ga. L. 1981, p. 750), and an Act approved April 14, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997,
11 p. 4099), is amended by adding at the end of Section 5 a new subsection to read as follows:
12 "(h) Any person holding the rank of colonel."

13 **SECTION 2.**

14 Said Act is further amended by revising subparagraph (I) of paragraph (2) of Part 19C as
15 follows:

16 "(I) An employee may represent himself or herself at the hearing or he or she may
17 retain the services of an attorney to represent the employee at the hearing. In the event
18 that the employee does retain the services of an attorney to represent him or her, and
19 if the hearing officer renders a final decision in such employee's favor, the board shall
20 reimburse the employee for said employee's attorney's fees and expenses in an amount
21 not greater than \$500.00;"

22 **SECTION 3.**

23 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.