

Senate Bill 282

By: Senator Black of the 8th

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 benefits in the Employees' Retirement System  
3 of Georgia, so as to provide that an individual shall not receive creditable service, other than  
4 membership service, in the Employees' Retirement System without paying the full actuarial  
5 cost associated with obtaining such creditable service; to provide for related matters; to  
6 provide conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and  
7 for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 **SECTION 1.**

10 Article 5 of Chapter 2 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
11 service creditable toward retirement benefits, is amended by revising Code Section 47-2-90,  
12 relating to rules and regulations with regard to credit for service and credit for service in the  
13 Georgia National Guard, Georgia State Guard, and General Assembly, as follows:

14 "47-2-90.

15 (a) The board of trustees shall establish rules and regulations setting forth the amount of  
16 service in a year which is equivalent to one year of creditable service; provided that

17 ~~(b) In in~~ no case shall more than one year of service be creditable for all service in one  
18 calendar year.

19 (b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, for an individual who first becomes a  
20 member on or after July 1, 2018, for any form of creditable service other than membership  
21 service, such member shall not receive creditable service unless he or she contributes to the  
22 retirement system an amount equal to full actuarial cost of obtaining such creditable  
23 service.

24 ~~(c) One year of creditable service shall be given for each year of service in the Georgia~~  
25 ~~National Guard, Georgia State Guard, or the General Assembly, provided that no credit~~  
26 ~~shall be given for such service unless the individual was a member of the retirement system~~

27 ~~at that time; provided, further, that no more than five years of creditable service may be so~~  
28 ~~obtained."~~

29 **SECTION 2.**

30 Said article is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

31 "47-2-90.1.

32 One year of creditable service shall be given for each year of service in the Georgia  
33 National Guard, Georgia State Guard, or the General Assembly, provided that no credit  
34 shall be given for such service unless the individual was a member of the retirement system  
35 at that time; provided, further, that no more than five years of creditable service may be so  
36 obtained."

37 **SECTION 3.**

38 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2018, only if it is determined to have been  
39 concurrently funded as provided in Chapter 20 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia  
40 Annotated, the "Public Retirement Systems Standards Law"; otherwise, this Act shall not  
41 become effective and shall be automatically repealed in its entirety on July 1, 2018, as  
42 required by subsection (a) of Code Section 47-20-50.

43 **SECTION 4.**

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