

House Bill 830

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 47-20-87 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 eligible large retirement systems authorized to invest in certain alternative investments, so
3 as to increase the percentage of an eligible large retirement system's assets that may be
4 invested in alternative investments; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws;
5 and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Code Section 47-20-87 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to eligible large
9 retirement systems authorized to invest in certain alternative investments, is amended by
10 revising subsection (d) as follows:

11 "(d)(1)(A) Alternative investments by an eligible large retirement system shall not in the
12 aggregate exceed ~~5~~ 10 percent of the eligible large retirement system's assets at any time.

13 ~~(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, alternative investments by~~
14 ~~the Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund shall not in the aggregate exceed 10 percent of~~
15 ~~its assets at any time.~~

16 (2) The board of trustees of an eligible large retirement system shall have the discretion
17 to designate whether any investment that is permitted to be made as an alternative
18 investment pursuant to this Code section and that is also permitted to be made as an
19 investment pursuant to Code Section 47-20-83 shall be treated for purposes of the 5
20 ~~percent or 10 percent~~ limitation and otherwise as an alternative investment made pursuant
21 to this Code section or as an investment made pursuant to Code Section 47-20-83.

22 (3) If an eligible large retirement system is not in compliance with the limitations
23 imposed by this subsection, it shall make a good faith effort to come into compliance
24 within two years and in any event as soon as practicable thereafter; provided, however,
25 that during any period of noncompliance, the eligible large retirement system shall not
26 increase the percentage of its assets committed to be invested in alternative investments

27 but shall be permitted during such period to continue to make investments as required by
28 the then existing commitments of the eligible large retirement system to alternative
29 investments made before the period of noncompliance."

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SECTION 2.

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