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February 11, 2025

The Honorable Clint Crowe
State Representative
Coverdell Legislative Office Building, Room 612-A
Atlanta, GA 30334

SUBJECT: State Auditor's Certification
House Bill (LC 56 0281)

Dear Representative Crowe:

This bill would amend provisions relating to eligibility for retirement benefits for certain law enforcement personnel covered under the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia. Under current law, the normal retirement age for most members of the System is 60 years of age. However, the normal retirement age for certain law enforcement personnel is 55 years of age provided they have at least 10 years of creditable service.

This legislation expands the list of law enforcement personnel who would be eligible for a normal retirement benefit at 55 years of age to include all members who are in service with the Department of Public Safety as a sworn law enforcement officer, noncommissioned officer, or trooper, as well as the commissioner and the deputy commissioner of the Department of Public Safety. Such members would also be covered by the creditable service and disability benefits provisions provided to other law enforcement personnel.

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

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg S. Griffin".

Greg S. Griffin
State Auditor

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