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The Honorable Burt Jones
Lieutenant Governor
240 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

SUBJECT: State Auditor's Certification
Senate Bill (LC 56 0220)

Dear Lieutenant Governor Jones:

This bill would amend provisions relating to membership in the Judicial Retirement System of Georgia (JRS). Specifically, this bill would authorize individuals employed as the director of the Prosecuting Attorneys Qualifications Commission to become members of the JRS. Currently, such persons participate in the Employees Retirement System of Georgia (ERS). If this legislation is enacted, all persons hired into this position on or after July 1, 2026 will automatically become members of the JRS. This bill would authorize any person in such role on the effective date to transfer from ERS into JRS, provided such election is made by June 30, 2027.

Under the provisions of this bill, the transferring member would be eligible to obtain creditable service in JRS equal to the amount of service time earned in ERS. The ERS would be required to transfer all employee and employer contributions, with interest, to the JRS. The transferring member would be required to pay any additional amount necessary to fund the full actuarial cost of the creditable service granted.

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

Respectfully,

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