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The Honorable Rob Leverett
State Representative
State Capitol, Room 218-B
Atlanta, GA 30334

SUBJECT: State Auditor's Certification
Substitute to House Bill 406
(LC 56 0335S)

Dear Representative Leverett:

This substitute bill would amend provisions relating to retirement allowances for certain members of the Georgia Judicial Retirement System. Currently, the normal retirement age for all members of the Georgia Judicial Retirement System is 60 years of age. This substitute bill would change the method for calculating retirement allowances for any person who becomes a member of the System on or after the effective date of this bill and serves as a superior court judge.

Under the provisions of this bill, any person who first becomes a member after the effective date of this bill may still retire at 60 years of age. However, their retirement allowance would be reduced by any service time earned while serving as a superior court judge. Once such person reaches 65 years of age, their retirement allowance would be adjusted to account for all years of creditable service earned as a member of the Georgia Judicial Retirement System. It should be noted that all members would still become vested for a retirement allowance after 10 years of service in the System.

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

Respectfully,

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