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The Honorable Clint Crowe
State Representative
Coverdell Legislative Office Building, Room 612-B
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SUBJECT: State Auditor's Certification
House Bill (LC 43 1942)

Dear Representative Crowe:

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

If this legislation is enacted, members who are employed by the Motor Carrier Compliance Division or the Capitol Police Division of the Department of Public Safety as a sworn law enforcement officer, the commissioner, or the deputy commissioner would become covered under the retirement provisions offered for law enforcement personnel. Therefore, they would be eligible for normal retirement benefits at 55 years of age, provided they have at least 10 years of creditable service. 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 System Standards Law.

Respectfully,

Greg S. Griffin
State Auditor

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