## **SENATE BILL 2871**

## By Bailey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 36, relative to early service retirement for emergency communications personnel.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-36-308, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(f)

- (1) Emergency communications personnel are eligible for early service retirement under this part when the employing entity has elected to offer this benefit. The employing entity is responsible for one hundred percent (100%) of any increased cost necessary to provide this benefit to the emergency communications personnel.
- (2) As used in this subsection (f), "emergency communications personnel" means a person employed as an emergency communications worker, public safety dispatcher, emergency communications telecommunicator, or emergency call taker. SECTION 2. This act takes effect January 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.