

By: Representatives Robinson (63rd),  
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To: County Affairs

HOUSE BILL NO. 1002

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-11-125, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO REQUIRE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF EACH COUNTY TO PAY THE  
3 REQUIRED EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES'  
4 RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR EACH CONSTABLE HOLDING OFFICE IN THAT  
5 COUNTY; TO PROVIDE THAT THIS REQUIREMENT SHALL BE RETROACTIVE TO  
6 THE BEGINNING OF THE CONSTABLES' TERM OF OFFICE ON JANUARY 1,  
7 1996; TO PROVIDE THAT IF ANY CONSTABLE HAS PAID THE EMPLOYER  
8 CONTRIBUTIONS OUT OF HIS OWN FUNDS AFTER DECEMBER 31, 1995, THE  
9 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHALL REIMBURSE THE CONSTABLE FOR THE AMOUNT  
10 HE PAID AFTER THAT DATE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

12 **SECTION 1.** Section 25-11-125, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
13 amended as follows:

14 25-11-125. (1) The board of supervisors may appropriate and  
15 include in its budget for public purposes a sufficient sum to pay  
16 the required employer contribution to the Public Employees'  
17 Retirement System for all fee paid elected officials in judicial  
18 capacities of the county and supervisors districts, and those  
19 contributions shall be included by the clerk of the board in his  
20 regular reports and remittals to the Executive Director of the  
21 Public Employees' Retirement System for other county officers and  
22 regular county employees whose employer contributions are not  
23 included in and paid from the annual county budget.

24 (2) The board of supervisors of each county shall  
25 appropriate and include in its budget a sufficient sum to pay the  
26 required employer contributions to the Public Employees'  
27 Retirement System for each constable holding office in that  
28 county, and those contributions shall be handled by the clerk of  
29 the board in the manner required by subsection (1) of this  
30 section. This requirement that the boards of supervisors pay the  
31 constables' employer contributions shall be retroactive to the



32 beginning of the constables' term of office on January 1, 1996.  
33 If any constable has paid the employer contributions to the  
34 retirement system out of his own funds after December 31, 1995,  
35 the board of supervisors of the county in which the constable  
36 holds office shall reimburse the constable for the amount he paid  
37 as employer contributions after that date.

38       **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
39 and after October 1, 2002.

