

By: Representative Eads

To: Appropriations

HOUSE BILL NO. 999

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 25-11-107, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
 2 TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES'
 3 RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO INCLUDE AS A COVERAGE GROUP MEMBERS OF THE
 4 MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD WHO ARE COMPENSATED FOR TRAINING AND
 5 MILITARY DUTY OUT OF FEDERAL FUNDS APPROPRIATED FOR USE BY THE
 6 MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD, PROVIDED THAT FUNDS ARE MADE AVAILABLE
 7 TO PAY EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS ON THE SALARIES OF THOSE MEMBERS
 8 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OR STATE APPROPRIATIONS; AND FOR
 9 RELATED PURPOSES.

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

11 **SECTION 1.** Section 25-11-107, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
 12 amended as follows:

13 25-11-107. (1) The Board of Trustees of the Public
 14 Employees' Retirement System may include as a coverage group under
 15 this article those regular full-time civilian employees of the
 16 Mississippi National Guard whose entire salary is paid on
 17 certification out of allotted federal funds, provided that funds
 18 are made available from the federal government or state
 19 appropriations to pay employers' contributions on the salaries of
 20 those employees. If the employers' contributions on those
 21 salaries are not paid in full to the Public Employees' Retirement
 22 System, the Board of Trustees of the Public Employees' Retirement
 23 System shall not allow creditable service * * * for any such
 24 period of delinquency, and the retirants shall be allowed only the
 25 creditable service that had accrued up to the time of any such
 26 delinquency. However, members who remain in the system with their
 27 creditable service * * * suspended during any such period of
 28 delinquency may obtain full creditable service * * * upon the
 29 payment of all employers' contributions that are due to the
 30 retirement system for the entire coverage group.



31 (2) The Board of Trustees of the Public Employees'
32 Retirement System may include as a coverage group under this
33 article those members of the Mississippi National Guard who are
34 compensated for field training, armory drills, training assemblies
35 or other military training or military duty and whose compensation
36 for that training and duty is paid out of federal funds
37 appropriated for the use of the Mississippi National Guard,
38 provided that funds are made available from the federal government
39 or state appropriations to pay employers' contributions on the
40 salaries of those members. If the employers' contributions on
41 those salaries are not paid in full to the Public Employees'
42 Retirement System, the Board of Trustees of the Public Employees'
43 Retirement System shall not allow creditable service for any such
44 period of delinquency, and the retirants shall be allowed only the
45 creditable service that had accrued up to the time of any such
46 delinquency. However, members who remain in the system with their
47 creditable service suspended during any such period of delinquency
48 may obtain full creditable service upon the payment of all
49 employers' contributions that are due to the retirement system for
50 the entire coverage group.

51 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
52 and after July 1, 2003.

