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HOUSE BILL 428
PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE H428-PCS10295-BH-2

Short Title: Probation/Parole Officers Retirement.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 23, 2017

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE BENEFITS OF PROBATION/PAROLE OFFICERS WHO
3 ARE MEMBERS OF THE TEACHERS' AND STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT
4 SYSTEM.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 SECTION 1. G.S. 135-1 reads as rewritten:

7 "§ 135-1. Definitions.

8 The following words and phrases as used in this Chapter, unless a different meaning is
9 plainly required by the context, shall have the following meanings:

10 ...

11 (11c) "Law-Enforcement Officer" means a full-time paid employee of an employer
12 who is actively serving in a position with assigned primary duties and
13 responsibilities for prevention and detection of crime or the general
14 enforcement of the criminal laws of the State of North Carolina or serving
15 civil processes, and who possesses the power of arrest by virtue of an oath
16 administered under the authority of the State. "Law-Enforcement Officer"
17 also means a probation/parole officer as defined in this section with respect
18 to any service rendered on or after July 1, 2017.

19 ...

20 (17a) "Probation/Parole Officer" shall mean a full-time paid employee of the
21 Division of Adult Correction of the Department of Public Safety whose
22 duties include supervising, evaluating, or otherwise instructing offenders
23 who have been placed on probation, parole, post-release supervision, or have
24 been assigned to any other community-based program operated by the
25 Division of Adult Correction.

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27 SECTION 2. G.S. 143-166.41(b) reads as rewritten:

28 "(b) As used in this section, "creditable service" means the service for which credit is
29 allowed under the retirement system of which the officer is a member, provided that at least
30 fifty percent (50%) of the service is as a law enforcement officer as herein ~~defined~~.defined or as
31 a probation/parole officer as defined in G.S. 135-1(17a)."

32 SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2017, and applies to persons
33 retiring on or after that date.



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