

Legislative Update

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Legislative Log

Monday, January 22, 2018

HB 706 – Retirement and pensions; assignment of benefits to pay for funeral services of deceased individuals of certain retirement systems of Georgia; provide

This bill provides for the assignment of benefits to pay for funeral services of a deceased individual who was a member of the Employees' Retirement System (ERS) or the Public School Employees Retirement System (PSERS).

Assignment of benefits is currently not admissible, except in rare circumstances as deemed by statute.

HB 706 was assigned to the House Retirement Committee.

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

SB 101 – Employees' Retirement System of Georgia; full-time hourly employee with Department of Natural Resources; provide for creditable service for prior service

Employees' Retirement System (ERS) members with at least two years of service who were members of the Georgia Defined Contribution Plan (GDGP) immediately prior to becoming members of ERS may obtain credit for all such prior GDGP service. Members must pay full actuarial cost for the service and will have the ability to pay for such service with a payment plan option.

SB 101 received a DO PASS by Committee Substitute from the Senate Retirement Committee.

Legislative Log (continued)

SB 129 – Retirement; creditable service for certain military service; provide

Employees' Retirement System (ERS) members with at least two years of service may purchase up to five years of military service performed on or after 1/1/1990. Members must pay full actuarial cost for the service and will have the ability to pay for such service with a payment plan option. Service may not be purchased if the service can or will be used to qualify for any other state or federal retirement program.

SB 129 received a DO PASS by Committee Substitute from the Senate Retirement Committee.

Wednesday, January 24, 2018

HB 135 – Employees' Retirement System of Georgia; creditable service for certain law enforcement officers; expand

Certain law enforcement members of the Employees' Retirement System (ERS) with at least ten years of service may purchase up to five years of certain non-vested local government law enforcement service, provided such members are not eligible to receive a present or future benefit from the local government. Members must pay full actuarial cost for the service.

HB 135 received a DO PASS from the House Retirement Committee.

HB 409 – Appellate court judges; age of eligibility for certain benefits; decrease

This bill changes the normal retirement age for Appellate court judges from age 65 to age 60.

HB 409 received a DO PASS by Committee Substitute from the House Retirement Committee.

Thursday, January 25, 2018

SB 101 – Employees' Retirement System of Georgia; full-time hourly employee with Department of Natural Resources; provide for creditable service for prior service

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SB 101 received a DO PASS from the Senate Rules Committee and was placed on the Senate Calendar for 1/29/18.

Legislative Log (continued)

SB 129 – Retirement; creditable service for certain military service; provide

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SB 129 received a DO PASS from the Senate Rules Committee and was placed on the Senate Calendar for 1/29/18.

Friday, January 26, 2018

No retirement bills were considered today.

Final Legislative Adjournment Schedule Announced

January 29	Legislative Day 11
January 30	Legislative Day 12
January 31	Legislative Day 13
February 1	Legislative Day 14
February 2-4	Recess
February 5	Legislative Day 15
February 6	Legislative Day 16
February 7	Legislative Day 17
February 8	Legislative Day 18
February 9-11	Recess
February 12	Legislative Day 19
February 13	Legislative Day 20
February 14	Legislative Day 21
February 15	Legislative Day 22
February 16-19	Recess
February 20	Legislative Day 23
February 21	Legislative Day 24
February 22	Legislative Day 25
February 23	Legislative Day 26
February 24-25	Recess
February 26	Legislative Day 27
February 27	Recess
February 28	Legislative Day 28 (Crossover Day)
March 1	Legislative Day 29
March 2-4	Recess
March 5	Legislative Day 30
March 6	Recess
March 7	Legislative Day 31
March 8	Recess
March 9	Legislative Day 32
March 10-11	Recess
March 12	Legislative Day 33
March 13	Recess
March 14	Legislative Day 34
March 15	Legislative Day 35
March 16-18	Recess
March 19	Legislative Day 36
March 20	Recess
March 21	Legislative Day 37
March 22	Recess
March 23	Legislative Day 38
March 24-26	Recess
March 27	Legislative Day 39
March 28	Recess
March 29	Legislative Day 40 (Sine Die)