1-1 By: Ritter (Senate Sponsor - Armbrister) H.B. No. 2916
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 28, 2003;
1-3 May 1, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on
1-4 Jurisprudence; May 22, 2003, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; May 22, 2003, sent to printer.)

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

relating to establishing equivalent membership service in the Judicial Retirement System Plan Two.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 838, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 838.108 to read as follows:

 $\frac{\text{Sec. 838.108. CREDIT PURCHASE OPTION. (a)}}{\text{member may establish not more than 60 months of equivalent}} \\ \frac{\text{Membership service credit.}}{\text{membership service credit.}}$

- (b) A member is eligible to establish service credit under this section if the member has at least 120 months of actual membership service of the type of service that the member seeks to establish.
- (c) A member may establish service credit under this section by depositing with the retirement system, for each month of service credit, the actuarial present value, at the time of deposit, of the additional standard retirement annuity benefits that would be attributable to the purchase of the service credit under this section, based on rates and tables recommended by the retirement system's actuary and adopted by the board of trustees.
- (d) After a member makes the deposits required by this section, the retirement system shall grant the member one month of equivalent membership service credit for each month of credit approved.

 (e) The retirement system shall deposit the amount of the
- (e) The retirement system shall deposit the amount of the actuarial present value of the service credit purchased in the member's individual account in the retirement system.
- (f) The board of trustees may adopt rules to administer this section, including rules that impose restrictions on the application of this section as necessary to cost-effectively administer this section.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.

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