

1-1 By: Gonzales, Hartnett (Senate Sponsor - Lucio) H.B. No. 831
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 2, 2005;
1-3 May 3, 2005, read first time and referred to Committee on State
1-4 Affairs; May 19, 2005, reported adversely, with favorable
1-5 Committee Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0;
1-6 May 19, 2005, sent to printer.)

1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 831 By: Madla

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the eligibility of certain judges to retire with full
1-11 benefits.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Section 839.101(a), Government Code, is amended
1-14 to read as follows:

1-15 (a) A member is eligible to retire and receive a service
1-16 retirement annuity if the member:

1-17 (1) is at least 65 years old, currently holds a
1-18 judicial office, and has at least 10 years of service credited in
1-19 the retirement system;

1-20 (2) is at least 65 years old and has at least 12 years
1-21 of service credited in the retirement system, regardless of whether
1-22 the member currently holds a judicial office;

1-23 (3) is at least 55 years old and has at least 20 years
1-24 of service credited in the retirement system, regardless of whether
1-25 the member currently holds a judicial office; or

1-26 (4) has served at least 12 years [~~two full terms~~] on an
1-27 appellate court and the sum of the member's age and amount of
1-28 service credited in the retirement system equals or exceeds the
1-29 number 70, regardless of whether the member currently holds a
1-30 judicial office.

1-31 SECTION 2. Section 834.101(a), Government Code, is amended
1-32 to read as follows:

1-33 (a) A member is eligible to retire and receive a base
1-34 service retirement annuity if the member:

1-35 (1) is at least 65 years old, currently holds a
1-36 judicial office, and has at least 10 years of service credited in
1-37 the retirement system;

1-38 (2) is at least 65 years old and has at least 12 years
1-39 of service credited in the retirement system, regardless of whether
1-40 the member currently holds a judicial office; [~~or~~]

1-41 (3) has at least 20 years of service credited in the
1-42 retirement system, regardless of whether the member currently holds
1-43 a judicial office; or

1-44 (4) has served at least 12 years on an appellate court
1-45 and the sum of the member's age and amount of service credited in
1-46 the retirement system equals or exceeds the number 70, regardless
1-47 of whether the member currently holds a judicial office.

1-48 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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