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S.B. No. 179

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to retirement benefits for visiting judges.

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

SECTION 1. Section 834.102(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The retirement system shall increase by 10 percent of the amount of the applicable state salary under Subsection (a) or (d) the annuity of a member who on the effective date of retirement:

(1) has not been out of judicial office for more than one year; or

(2) has served as a visiting judge in this state and the first anniversary of the last day of that service has or has not occurred.

SECTION 2. Section 839.102(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The retirement system shall increase by 10 percent of the amount of the applicable state salary under Subsection (a) or (c) the annuity of a member who on the effective date of retirement:

(1) has not been out of judicial office for more than one year; or

(2) has served as a visiting judge in this state and the first anniversary of the last day of that service has or has not occurred.

SECTION 3. The Employees Retirement System of Texas shall

1 recompute the annuities of all persons who retired or received a
2 death benefit annuity from the Judicial Retirement System of Texas
3 Plan One or the Judicial Retirement System of Texas Plan Two before
4 January 1, 2002, as if the changes in law made by Chapter 1240, Acts
5 of the 77th Legislature, Regular Session, 2001, to Sections
6 834.102(b) and 839.102(b), Government Code, had been in effect on
7 the date of the person's retirement or death. The first payment of
8 any annuity increased under this section becomes payable with the
9 first payment due on or after the effective date of this Act.

10 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.