

HB 127 -- SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

SPONSOR: Barnes

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Retirement by a vote of 12 to 0.

This bill specifies that any partial term served by a member of the Sheriffs' Retirement System who is elected sheriff at a special election will be counted as serving an entire term when calculating benefits under the system. When calculating the benefit of the member, years of service and twelfths of a year will be used.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2012, FY 2013, and FY 2014.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that the bill will help a sheriff elected at a special election receive credit for all of his or her service time.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Barnes; and Greg White, Cole County Sheriff.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.