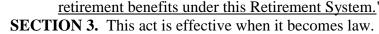
## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2023

S SENATE BILL 113

Short Title:	Bring Back Our Heroes.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senators Britt, Perry, and B. Newton (Primary Sponsors).	
Referred to:	Rules and Operations of the Senate	

		February 16, 2023
1		A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT ALLO	WING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO RECEIVE RETIREMENT
3		ND SUBSEQUENTLY RETURN TO SERVICE.
4		embly of North Carolina enacts:
5	SECT	<b>TION 1.</b> G.S. 128-24 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:
6	" <u>(5b)</u>	Notwithstanding sub-subdivisions c. and d. of subdivision (5) of this section
7		to the contrary, a beneficiary who retires on an early or service retirement as
8		a law enforcement officer, or as a justice officer as defined in G.S. 17E-2,
9		shall continue to be paid their retirement allowance without restriction even if
10		the beneficiary is subsequently employed as a law enforcement officer or
11		justice officer as long as the employment follows a break in service of not less
12		than one month and the employer pays into this Retirement System an amount
13		equal to both the members' and employers' contributions required by law for
14		the duration of the employment. Service by a beneficiary under this
15		subdivision shall not count as membership service or increase the beneficiary's
16		retirement benefits under this Retirement System."
17	SECT	<b>TION 2.</b> G.S. 135-3 is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:
18	" <u>(8b)</u>	Notwithstanding sub-subdivisions c. and d. of subdivision (8) of this section
19		to the contrary, a beneficiary who retires on an early or service retirement as
20		a law enforcement officer shall continue to be paid their retirement allowance
21		without restriction even if the beneficiary is subsequently employed as a law
22		enforcement officer, as long as the employment follows a break in service of
23		not less than six months and the employer pays into this Retirement System
24		an amount equal to both the members' and employers' contributions required
25		by law for the duration of the employment. Service by a beneficiary under this
26		subdivision shall not count as membership service or increase the beneficiary's
27		retirement benefits under this Retirement System."



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