

SENATE BILL 844

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By: **Senator Stone**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Retirement and Pension System – Transfer of Service Credit**

3 FOR the purpose of providing that certain members of the Employees' Pension System
4 may transfer certain service credit from the State Contributory Law
5 Enforcement Officers' Pension System in a certain manner; requiring that
6 certain members of the Employees' Pension System who transfer certain service
7 credit from the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System
8 complete and file certain forms with the Board of Trustees of the State
9 Retirement and Pension System by a certain date; defining a certain term;
10 providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally
11 relating to the transfer of service credit for members of the Employees' Pension
12 System.

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 MARYLAND, That:

15 (a) In this section, "State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension
16 System" means the part of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System of the State
17 of Maryland that provides a contributory pension benefit under Title 26, Subtitle 2,
18 Part II of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.

19 (b) This section applies to an individual who:

20 (1) on or after July 1, 1983, was employed in a law enforcement
21 position by the Maryland Transportation Authority and was a member of the State
22 Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System;

23 (2) on or after September 1999, ceased employment in a law
24 enforcement position with the Maryland Transportation Authority with more than 16
25 years of service credit in the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension
26 System; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (3) beginning on or after December 1, 1999, was employed in a nonlaw
2 enforcement position by the Maryland Transportation Authority and was a member of
3 the Employees' Pension System under Title 23 of the State Personnel and Pensions
4 Article;

5 (4) at the time the individual began employment in a nonlaw
6 enforcement position with the Maryland Transportation Authority and became a
7 member of the Employees' Pension System, was ineligible to transfer the years of
8 service credit in the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System to
9 the Employees' Pension System according to the provisions of Title 37 of the State
10 Personnel and Pensions Article.

11 (c) (1) An individual described in subsection (b) of this section may elect
12 to transfer to the Employees' Pension System the years of service credit the individual
13 accrued in the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System prior to
14 joining the Employees' Pension System.

15 (2) An individual who elects to transfer service credit under paragraph
16 (1) of this subsection shall be permitted to transfer the service credit in accordance
17 with Title 37 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.

18 (d) To transfer service credit under subsection (c) of this section, an
19 individual shall complete a claim to transfer the service credit on a form provided by
20 the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System and file it with the
21 Board of Trustees on or before December 31, 2011.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 July 1, 2011. It shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of
24 December 31, 2011, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act
25 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.