

SENATE BILL 178

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By: **Senator Guzzone (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**

Introduced and read first time: January 17, 2018

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Retirement and Pension System – Board of Trustees – Oath**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the number of days after the appointment or election of an
4 individual to the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System
5 during which the individual is required to take a certain oath; repealing the
6 requirement that individuals appointed or elected to the Board of Trustees take a
7 certain oath; clarifying that individuals appointed or elected to the Board of Trustees
8 take a certain oath required by a certain provision of the Maryland Constitution;
9 requiring the oath to be taken before a clerk or deputy clerk of a circuit court; making
10 a conforming change; and generally relating to the Board of Trustees for the State
11 Retirement and Pension System.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – State Personnel and Pensions
14 Section 21–104(c)
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2017 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
18 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article – State Personnel and Pensions**

20 21–104.

21 (c) (1) Within [10] **30** days after the appointment or election of an individual
22 as a trustee, the individual shall take and subscribe to [an] **THE** oath of office [that, so far
23 as it devolves on the individual, as trustee the individual:

24 (i) will diligently and honestly administer the affairs of the Board of

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 Trustees; and

2 (ii) will not knowingly violate or willingly allow a violation of the law
3 applicable to the several systems] **REQUIRED BY ARTICLE I, § 9 OF THE MARYLAND**
4 **CONSTITUTION BEFORE A CLERK OR A DEPUTY CLERK OF A CIRCUIT COURT.**

5 (2) The [officer before whom the individual takes the oath] **CLERK OF THE**
6 **CIRCUIT COURT** shall:

7 (i) certify the oath; and

8 (ii) submit the oath immediately to the office of the Secretary of
9 State for filing in that office.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
11 1, 2018.