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## Senate Bill 143 In Support Of Teachers' Retirement and Pension System - Reemployment Senate Budget and Taxation Committee Hearing: January 25, 2024 9:30 am

Dear Honorable Senator Guy Guzzone, Chair, and Senator Jim Rosapepe, Vice Chair, and other distinguished Budget and Taxation Committee members,

The Maryland Retired School Personnel Association (MRSPA) supports and requests a favorable report on SB 143 Teachers' Retirement and Pension Systems - Reemployment.

This legislation clarifies Reemployment and gives an exemption from reemployment earnings offsets for retirees of the Teachers' Retirement and Pension Systems. We believe that this is a timely decision, as it is becoming more difficult to hire certified staff.

The bill broadens the ability of schools boards to rehire retired teachers "at any school".

The need for these rehires is becoming greater as school employees are resigning or retiring and leaving school systems in Maryland as well as across the country.

On behalf of the almost 12,000 members of the Maryland Retired School Personnel Association we urge a favorable report on SB 143.

Sincerely,

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