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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Pensions - Maryland Investigative Services Unit**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring certain law enforcement officers employed by the
4 Maryland Investigative Services Unit on or after a certain date to become members
5 of a certain pension system; making membership optional for certain law
6 enforcement officers employed by the Maryland Investigative Services Unit on a
7 certain date; altering the title of the pension system; correcting certain
8 cross-references; providing for the correction of certain cross-references; and
9 generally relating to pensions for law enforcement officers employed by the
10 Maryland Investigative Services Unit.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

12 Article - State Personnel and Pensions
13 Section 20-101(aa), 21-102(7); and 26-101, 26-102, 26-201, 26-202, 26-302(a),
14 26-304(2) and (3), and 26-307(a)(1) to be under the amended title "Title 26.
15 Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System"
16 Annotated Code of Maryland
17 (1994 Volume and 1995 Supplement)

18 BY renumbering

19 Article - State Personnel and Pensions
20 Section 20-101(v), (w), (x), (y), (z), and (aa), respectively
21 to be Section 20-101(w), (x), (y), (z), (aa), and (v), respectively
22 Annotated Code of Maryland
23 (1994 Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

26 **Article - State Personnel and Pensions**

27 20-101.

28 (aa) "[Natural Resources] LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' Pension System"
29 means the [Natural Resources] Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System of the State
30 of Maryland.

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1 21-102.

2 The State Retirement and Pension System consists of:

3 (7) the [Natural Resources] LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' Pension
4 System, established on July 2, 1990;

5 Title 26. [Natural Resources] LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' Pension System.

6 26-101.

7 This title applies to the [Natural Resources] LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS'
8 Pension System.

9 26-102.

10 Except as otherwise provided in this title, the operation of the [Natural Resources]
11 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' Pension System shall be the same as the operation of
12 the Employees' Pension System.

13 26-201.

14 This subtitle applies only to:

15 (1) an employee of the Department of Natural Resources commissioned by
16 the Secretary of Natural Resources as:

17 [(1)] (I) a Natural Resources police officer; or

18 [(2)] (II) a law enforcement officer, other than a Natural Resources police
19 officer; OR

20 (2) A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER EMPLOYED BY THE MARYLAND
21 INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES UNIT.

22 26-202.

23 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, an individual described in
24 § 26-201 of this subtitle is a member of the [Natural Resources] LAW ENFORCEMENT
25 OFFICERS' Pension System as a condition of employment.

26 (b) Membership in the [Natural Resources] LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS'
27 Pension System is optional for an individual described in § 26-201 of this subtitle who was
28 employed:

29 (1) by the Department of Natural Resources on July 1, 1990; OR

30 (2) BY THE MARYLAND INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES UNIT ON JUNE 30,
31 1995.

32 26-302.

33 (a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, a member is entitled to eligibility
34 service for periods of employment while a member of the [Natural Resources] LAW
35 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' Pension System.

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1 26-304.

2 A member is entitled to eligibility service that equals:

3 (2) for a member who has transferred from the Employees' Retirement
4 System, the member's creditable service recognized under the Employees' Retirement
5 System through the date before the member became a member of the [Natural
6 Resources] LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' Pension System; and

7 (3) for a member who has transferred from the Employees' Pension System,
8 the member's eligibility service recognized under the Employees' Pension System through
9 the date before the member became a member of the [Natural Resources] LAW
10 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' Pension System.

11 26-307.

12 (a) (1) In the year of retirement, a member may purchase service credit for
13 eligibility service of up to 10 years for periods of employment for which the member:

14 (i) would have been entitled to purchase the service credit under the
15 Employees' Pension System; and

16 (ii) is not otherwise entitled to service credit under the [Natural
17 Resources] LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' Pension System.

18 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 20-101(v), (w),
19 (x), (y), (z), and (aa), respectively, of Article - State Personnel and Pensions of the
20 Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be Section(s) 20-101(w), (x), (y), (z),
21 (aa), and (v), respectively.

22 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the approval of
23 the Director of the Department of Legislative Reference, the publishers of the Annotated
24 Code of Maryland shall propose the correction of cross-references that are rendered
25 incorrect by this Act and shall correct the references to the Natural Resources Law
26 Enforcement Officers' Pension System or the Natural Resources Pension System that are
27 rendered incorrect by this Act.

28 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
29 July 1, 1996.