

SENATE BILL 538

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By: **Senator Munson**

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Police Retirement System - Benefits**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the formula for computing the retirement allowance of
4 certain members of the State Police Retirement System; providing for a certain
5 annual lump-sum payment to be paid to certain retirees until their death; and
6 generally relating to benefits for retirees of the State Police Retirement System.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - State Personnel and Pensions
9 Section 24-401
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1997 Replacement Volume)

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

14 **Article - State Personnel and Pensions**

15 24-401.

16 (a) A member may retire with a normal service retirement allowance if:

17 (1) on or before the date of retirement, the member:

18 (i) has at least 25 years of eligibility service; or

19 (ii) is at least 50 years old; and

20 (2) the member completes and submits a written application to the
21 Board of Trustees, on the form that the Board of Trustees provides, stating the date
22 when the member desires to retire.

23 (b) (1) Subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, the Secretary of the
24 State Police may order a member who is at least 50 years old to retire on the first day
25 of the month after the member is notified of the Secretary's order.

1 (2) Before approving the Secretary's order, the Board of Trustees shall
2 give the member at least 30 days' notice and an opportunity to be heard.

3 (c) Except for the Secretary of the State Police, a member shall retire with a
4 normal service retirement allowance not later than the first day of the month after
5 the member becomes 60 years old.

6 (d) On retirement under this section, a member is entitled to receive a normal
7 service retirement allowance that equals:

8 (1) [one forty-fifth] ONE THIRTY-EIGHTH of the member's average final
9 compensation multiplied by each year of the member's first 25 years of creditable
10 service; and

11 (2) one-ninetieth of the member's average final compensation multiplied
12 by each year of creditable service in excess of 25 years.

13 (E) A RETIREE WHO RETIRED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 1998 IS ENTITLED TO
14 RECEIVE AN ANNUAL LUMP-SUM PAYMENT OF \$1,500 THAT IS PAYABLE ON JANUARY
15 1 BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 1999 UNTIL THE DEATH OF THE RETIREE.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
17 July 1, 1998.