
By: **Chairman, Rules and Executive Nominations Committee**
(Departmental - NE Md. Waste Disposal Authority)

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Assigned to: Rules and Executive Nominations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Optional Defined Contribution System - Participation by Northeast**
3 **Maryland Waste Disposal Authority**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing employees of the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal
5 Authority to participate in the Optional Defined Contribution System under
6 certain circumstances; requiring the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal
7 Authority to pay a certain matching contribution under certain circumstances
8 for certain employees; altering the definition of "eligible employee"; and
9 generally relating to the participation in the Optional Defined Contribution
10 System by employees of the Northeast Maryland Waste Disposal Authority.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article - State Personnel and Pensions
13 Section 32-101(b) and 32-206
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

16 BY adding to
17 Article - State Personnel and Pensions
18 Section 32-205.1
19 Annotated Code of Maryland
20 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

23 **Article - State Personnel and Pensions**

24 32-101.

25 (b) (1) "Eligible employee" means a member of the Employees' Pension
26 System or the Employees' Retirement System who is subject to Selection C
27 (Combination Formula) as provided in § 22-221 of this article, other than:

1 (i) an employee of a participating governmental unit or a former
2 participating governmental unit that has withdrawn; or

3 (ii) a member of the Employees' Pension System who transferred
4 from the Employees' Retirement System after April 1, 1998.

5 (2) "Eligible employee" includes:

6 (I) a member of the Employees' Pension System who contributes to
7 a State supplemental plan authorized by an employing institution as defined in §
8 30-101 of this article; OR

9 (II) A MEMBER OF THE EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM WHO IS AN
10 EMPLOYEE OF THE NORTHEAST MARYLAND WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY.

11 32-205.1.

12 (A) EMPLOYEES OF THE NORTHEAST MARYLAND WASTE DISPOSAL
13 AUTHORITY WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM SHALL BE
14 ELIGIBLE FOR A MATCHING CONTRIBUTION IF:

15 (1) THE SUPPLEMENTAL BOARD DETERMINES THAT EMPLOYEES OF
16 THE NORTHEAST MARYLAND WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY ARE ELIGIBLE TO
17 PARTICIPATE IN AND CONTRIBUTE TO ONE OR MORE OF THE STATE SUPPLEMENTAL
18 PLANS; AND

19 (2) THE NORTHEAST MARYLAND WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY MAKES
20 AN IRREVOCABLE ELECTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OPTIONAL DEFINED
21 CONTRIBUTION SYSTEM.

22 (B) IF THE NORTHEAST MARYLAND WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY MAKES AN
23 ELECTION UNDER THIS SECTION, THE NORTHEAST MARYLAND WASTE DISPOSAL
24 AUTHORITY SHALL BE REQUIRED TO PAY FOR EACH EMPLOYEE WHO MAKES
25 CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER § 32-204 OF THIS SUBTITLE, A CONTRIBUTION IN AN
26 AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE LESSER OF THE EMPLOYEE'S CONTRIBUTIONS OR \$600 PER
27 FISCAL YEAR, IN THE MANNER DIRECTED BY THE SUPPLEMENTAL BOARD.

28 32-206.

29 The Governor shall include in the annual State budget bill an appropriation that
30 is sufficient to pay the employer contributions for participating employees REQUIRED
31 UNDER § 32-205 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

32 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
33 July 1, 2000.