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**(Departmental - NE Md. Waste Disposal Authority)**

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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

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:

1 **Article - State Personnel and Pensions**

2 32-101.

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

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7 participating governmental unit that has withdrawn; or

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

10 (2) "Eligible employee" includes:

11 (I) a member of the Employees' Pension System who contributes to  
12 a State supplemental plan authorized by an employing institution as defined in §  
13 30-101 of this article; OR

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

16 32-205.1.

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

20 (1) THE SUPPLEMENTAL BOARD DETERMINES THAT EMPLOYEES OF  
21 THE NORTHEAST MARYLAND WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY ARE ELIGIBLE TO  
22 PARTICIPATE IN AND CONTRIBUTE TO ONE OR MORE OF THE STATE SUPPLEMENTAL  
23 PLANS; AND

24 (2) THE NORTHEAST MARYLAND WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY MAKES  
25 AN IRREVOCABLE ELECTION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OPTIONAL DEFINED  
26 CONTRIBUTION SYSTEM.

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

33 32-206.

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

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