

SENATE BILL 448

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**ENROLLED BILL**  
-- Budget and Taxation/Appropriations --

Introduced by **Senators Currie, Forehand, and McFadden (Joint Committee on the Management of Public Funds)**

Read and Examined by Proofreaders:

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this  
\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock, \_\_\_\_ M.

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President.

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Personnel - Payment of Wages - Direct Deposit**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Treasurer, on warrant of the State  
4 Comptroller, to pay a wage by direct deposit; providing that the payment of  
5 certain wages by direct deposit shall be made in accordance with regulations  
6 adopted by the State Treasurer, with the concurrence of the State Comptroller;  
7 providing that regulations adopted by the State Treasurer may not require the  
8 payment of wages by direct deposit for certain employees and that certain  
9 employees receive certain notification at a certain time; providing for guidance on  
10 the granting of exemptions; and generally relating to the payment of wages of  
11 State employees and officers.

12 BY adding to  
13 Article - State Personnel and Pensions  
14 Section 2-405  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland

1 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

4 **Article - State Personnel and Pensions**

5 2-405.

6 (A) IN ADDITION TO THE PAYMENT OF WAGES BY CASH OR CHECK, THE STATE  
7 TREASURER, ON WARRANT OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER, MAY PAY A WAGE BY  
8 DIRECT DEPOSIT.

9 (B) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, THE  
10 PAYMENT OF WAGES BY DIRECT DEPOSIT SHALL BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
11 REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE STATE TREASURER, WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF  
12 THE STATE COMPTROLLER.

13 (C) THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE STATE TREASURER UNDER  
14 SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION:

15 ~~(1)~~ (I) MAY NOT REQUIRE THE PAYMENT OF WAGES BY DIRECT  
16 DEPOSIT FOR ANY EMPLOYEE HIRED PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE  
17 REGULATIONS; AND

18 ~~(2)~~ (II) SHALL ALLOW AN EMPLOYEE TO REQUEST AN EXEMPTION TO THE  
19 PAYMENT OF WAGES BY DIRECT DEPOSIT WHO:

20 ~~(1)~~ (I) IS HIRED PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE  
21 REGULATIONS; OR

22 ~~(2)~~ (II) REQUESTS AN EXEMPTION TO THE PAYMENT OF WAGES BY  
23 DIRECT DEPOSIT; AND

24 (2) SHALL REQUIRE THAT, WHEN AN EMPLOYEE IS HIRED, THE  
25 EMPLOYEE BE NOTIFIED OF THE RIGHT TO REQUEST AN EXEMPTION.

26 ~~(D)~~ THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR THE  
27 STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM RELATING TO PAYMENT OF WAGES BY DIRECT DEPOSIT  
28 SHALL PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH AN  
29 EXEMPTION TO PAYMENT OF WAGES BY DIRECT DEPOSIT MAY BE GRANTED.

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

