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CHAPTER_____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Teachers' Retirement and Pension Systems - Reemployment of Retired Personnel Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists

4 FOR the purpose of exempting from a certain offset of a retirement allowance certain

- 5 retirees of the Teachers' Retirement System or the Teachers' Pension System
- 6 who are employed by certain public schools in certain personnel positions as
- 7 speech-language pathologists or audiologists; requiring the county boards of
- 8 education to provide certain information to the State Retirement Agency;

9 requiring the State Board of Education to adopt certain regulations; providing

10 for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the reemployment of

11 retirees of the Teachers' Retirement System or the Teachers' Pension System

12 who serve in certain personnel positions as speech-language pathologists or

13 <u>audiologists</u>.

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- 15 Article State Personnel and Pensions
- 16 Section 22-406 and 23-407
- 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (1997 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

19 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

20 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

2		SENATE BILL 88				
1	Article - State Personnel and Pensions					
2	22-406.					
5 6	(a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, an individual who is receiving a service retirement allowance or vested allowance may accept employment with a participating employer on a permanent, temporary, or contractual basis, without any reduction in the allowance, if the individual immediately notifies the Board of Trustees:					
8	(1) of the i	individual's intention to accept the employment; and				
9	$(2) \qquad \text{of the } c$	compensation that the individual will receive.				
10	(b) (1) This su	ubsection does not apply to:				
11	(i)	an individual who has been retired for more than 10 years;				
12 13		an individual whose average final compensation was less than yed on a temporary or contractual basis;				
15	 (iii) an individual who is serving in an elected position as an official of a participating governmental unit or as a constitutional officer for a county that is a participating governmental unit; 					
17	(iv)	a retiree of the Teachers' Retirement System:				
18 19		1. who retired and was reemployed by a participating e on or before September 30, 1994; and				
20 21	or in part, from State funds;	2. whose employment compensation does not derive, in whole				
22	(v)	a retiree of the Teachers' Retirement System who:				
23		1. is or has been certified to teach in the State;				
24 25	the last assignment prior to re	2. has verification of satisfactory or better performance in etirement;				
26 27		3. based on the retired teacher's qualifications, has been a § 4-103 of the Education Article;				
28 29	under § 22-401 of this article	4. A. retired with a normal service retirement allowance e; or				
30 31		B. retired with an early service retirement allowance under § been retired for at least 12 months;				
32		5. subject to item 6 of this item is employed as:				

3	mentor in a public school that ha	s been r of Edu	a substitute classroom teacher or substitute teacher recommended for reconstitution, or has been cation, until the public school meets the the State Board of Education;
7		econstit blic scho	a classroom teacher or teacher mentor in a public school aution, or has been reconstituted, by the State bol meets the standards for school ducation;
11		s in which intil the	a classroom teacher or teacher mentor in a county or ch the State Board of Education finds that State Board of Education finds the shortage t area on a statewide basis; or
15 16	mentor in a county or subject are Education finds that there is a sh	ea on a nortage	a substitute classroom teacher or substitute teacher statewide basis in which the State Board of of teachers, until the State Board of exists in that county or subject area on a
18 19	6 each year the teacher is employe		receives verification of satisfactory or better performance titem 5 of this item;
20	(vi) a	retiree	of the Teachers' Retirement System who:
21	1	•	was employed as a principal within 5 years of retirement;
22 23	2 the last assignment as a principa		has verification of better than satisfactory performance in o retirement;
24 25	3 principal;	3.	based on the retiree's qualifications, has been hired as a
26 27	4 under § 22-401 of this subtitle; of		A. retired with a normal service retirement allowance
28 29	E 22-402 of this subtitle and has b		retired with an early service retirement allowance under § red for at least 12 months;
	-		receives verification of better than satisfactory ployed as a principal under item 3 of this
33 34	6 more than 4 years; [or]	.	is not employed as a principal under item 3 of this item for
35	(vii) a	retiree	of the Teachers' Retirement System:

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1 2	system; and	1.	who retired from a board of education or local school
3 4	University System of Maryland	2. ; OR	who is reemployed in a part-time position with the
5	(VIII)	A RETI	REE OF THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM WHO:
6 7			HAS VERIFICATION OF SATISFACTORY OR BETTER GNMENT PRIOR TO RETIREMENT;
8 9	HIRED :	2.	BASED ON THE RETIREE'S QUALIFICATIONS, HAS BEEN
10 11	COUNTY BOARD CONSIDE	A. RS THE	IN A SPECIALIZED PERSONNEL POSITION FOR WHICH THE TRE IS A SHORTAGE;
12		B.	AS STAFF WHO WORKS DIRECTLY WITH STUDENTS; OR
13 14	PATHOLOGIST OR AUDIOL	C. .OGIST;	AS A STATE MONITOR AS A SPEECH-LANGUAGE
15 16	ALLOWANCE UNDER § 22-	3. 401 OF '	A. RETIRED WITH A NORMAL SERVICE RETIREMENT THIS SUBTITLE; OR
		B. 402 OF '	RETIRED WITH AN EARLY SERVICE RETIREMENT THIS SUBTITLE AND HAS BEEN RETIRED FOR AT
		4. AR THE	RECEIVES VERIFICATION OF SATISFACTORY OR BETTER RETIREE IS EMPLOYED IN A POSITION DESCRIBED
23	(2) The Boar	d of Tru	stees shall reduce an individual's allowance:
		lual's an	mount that the sum of the individual's initial annual nual compensation exceeds the average final c allowance; or
29 30	(Chapter 353 of the Acts of 199 compensation and the retiree's	96), by tl annual b d by the	ree who retired under the Workforce Reduction Act ne amount that the sum of the retiree's annual asic allowance at the time of retirement, Workforce Reduction Act, exceeds the average basic allowance.
32 33			ving a service retirement allowance or a vested participating employer may not receive

- 33 allowance and who is reemployed by a participating employer may not receive34 creditable service or eligibility service during the period of reemployment.

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1 (d) The individual's compensation during the period of reemployment may not 2 be subject to the employer pickup provisions of § 21-303 of this article or any 3 reduction or deduction as a member contribution for pension or retirement purposes. 4 The State Retirement Agency shall institute appropriate reporting (e) 5 procedures with the affected payroll systems to ensure compliance with this section. 6 Immediately on the employment of any individual receiving a service (f) (1)7 retirement allowance or a vested allowance, a participating employer shall notify the 8 State Retirement Agency of the type of employment and the anticipated earnings of 9 the individual. 10 (2)At least once each year, in a format specified by the State Retirement 11 Agency, each participating employer shall provide the State Retirement Agency with 12 a list of all employees included on any payroll of the employer, the Social Security 13 numbers of the employees, and their earnings for that year. 14 The county boards of education shall notify the State Retirement Agency of (g) 15 any retired teachers who qualify under subsection (b)(1)(v) of this section or any 16 personnel who qualify under subsection (b)(1)(vi) OR (VIII) of this section.

17 (h) The State Board of Education shall notify the county boards of education18 of:

19(1)any public school that is recommended for reconstitution or has been20 reconstituted;

(2) any public school that is no longer recommended for reconstitution or
 is otherwise found to meet the standards for school performance set by the State
 Board of Education after reconstitution or a recommendation for reconstitution;

24 (3) any county or subject area on a statewide basis in which the State
25 Board of Education finds there is a shortage of teachers; and

26 (4) a finding that there is no longer a shortage of teachers in a county or 27 subject area on a statewide basis.

(i) In addition to any regulations adopted in accordance with § 6-202 of the
Education Article, the State Board of Education shall adopt regulations concerning
the employment terms of retired teachers and personnel described in subsection
(b)(1)(vi) OR (VIII) of this section.

32 23-407.

33 (a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, an individual who is receiving a
34 service retirement allowance or a vested allowance may accept employment with a
35 participating employer on a permanent, temporary, or contractual basis, without any
36 reduction in the allowance, if:

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1 2	(1) the individual immediately notifies the Board of Trustees of the individual's intention to accept this employment; and
3	(2) the individual specifies the compensation to be received.
4	(b) (1) This subsection does not apply to:
5 6	(i) an individual whose average final compensation was less than \$10,000 and who is reemployed on a temporary or contractual basis;
	(ii) an individual who is serving in an elected position as an official of a participating governmental unit or as a constitutional officer for a county that is a participating governmental unit;
10	(iii) a retiree of the Teachers' Pension System who:
11	1. is or has been certified to teach in the State;
12 13	2. has verification of satisfactory or better performance in the last assignment prior to retirement;
14 15	3. based on the retired teacher's qualifications, has been appointed in accordance with § 4-103 of the Education Article;
16 17	4. A. retired with a normal service retirement allowance under § 23-401 of this article; or
18 19	B. retired with an early service retirement allowance under § 23-402 of this article and has been retired for at least 12 months;
20	5. subject to item 6 of this item is employed as:
23	A. a substitute classroom teacher or substitute teacher mentor in a public school that has been recommended for reconstitution, or has been reconstituted, by the State Board of Education, until the public school meets the standards for school performance set by the State Board of Education;
27	B. a classroom teacher or teacher mentor in a public school that has been recommended for reconstitution, or has been reconstituted, by the State Board of Education, until the public school meets the standards for school performance set by the State Board of Education;
31	C. a classroom teacher or teacher mentor in a county or subject area on a statewide basis in which the State Board of Education finds that there is a shortage of teachers, until the State Board of Education finds the shortage no longer exists in that county or subject area on a statewide basis; or
	D. a substitute classroom teacher or substitute teacher mentor in a county or subject area on a statewide basis in which the State Board of Education finds that there is a shortage of teachers, until the State Board of

35 Education finds that there is a shortage of teachers, until the State Board of

	Education finds the shortage no statewide basis; and	o longer e	exists in that county or subject area on a
3 4	each year the teacher is employ	6. yed under	receives verification of satisfactory or better performance titem 5 of this item; [or]
5	(iv)	a retiree	of the Teachers' Pension System who:
6		1.	was employed as a principal within 5 years of retirement;
7 8	the last assignment as a princip	2. al prior t	has verification of better than satisfactory performance in o retirement;
9 10	principal;	3.	based on the retiree's qualifications, has been hired as a
11 12	under § 23-401 of this subtitle	4. ; or	A. retired with a normal service retirement allowance
13 14	23-402 of this subtitle and has	B. been reti	retired with an early service retirement allowance under § ired for at least 12 months;
		5. ree is em	receives verification of better than satisfactory apployed as a principal under item 3 of this
18 19	more than 4 years; OR	6.	is not employed as a principal under item 3 of this item for
20	(V)	A RETI	REE OF THE TEACHERS' PENSION SYSTEM WHO:
21 22	PERFORMANCE IN THE LA	1. AST ASS	HAS VERIFICATION OF SATISFACTORY OR BETTER IGNMENT PRIOR TO RETIREMENT;
23 24	QUALIFICATIONS, HAS BE	2. EEN HIR	BASED ON THE SPECIALIZED PERSONNEL'S ED :
25 26	COUNTY BOARD CONSIDI	A. ERS THE	IN A SPECIALIZED PERSONNEL POSITION FOR WHICH THE ERE IS A SHORTAGE;
27		B.	AS STAFF WHO WORKS DIRECTLY WITH STUDENTS; OR
28 29	PATHOLOGIST OR AUDIO	C. LOGIST	AS A STATE MONITOR <u>AS A SPEECH-LANGUAGE</u> ;
30 31	ALLOWANCE UNDER § 23	3. -401 OF	A. RETIRED WITH A NORMAL SERVICE RETIREMENT THIS SUBTITLE; OR
32 33		B. -402 OF	RETIRED WITH AN EARLY SERVICE RETIREMENT THIS SUBTITLE AND HAS BEEN RETIRED FOR AT

34 LEAST 12 MONTHS; AND

14.RECEIVES VERIFICATION OF SATISFACTORY OR BETTER2PERFORMANCE EACH YEAR THE RETIREE IS EMPLOYED IN A POSITION DESCRIBED3IN ITEM 2 OF THIS ITEM.

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(2) The Board of Trustees shall reduce an individual's allowance:

5 (i) by the amount that the sum of the individual's initial annual 6 basic allowance and the individual's annual compensation exceeds the average final 7 compensation used to compute the basic allowance; or

8 (ii) for a retiree who retired under the Workforce Reduction Act

9 (Chapter 353 of the Acts of 1996), by the amount that the sum of the retiree's annual

10 compensation and the retiree's annual basic allowance at the time of retirement,

11 including the incentive provided by the Workforce Reduction Act, exceeds the average

12 final compensation used to compute the basic allowance.

13 (c) An individual who is receiving a service retirement allowance or a vested
14 allowance and who is reemployed by a participating employer may not receive
15 creditable service or eligibility service during the period of reemployment.

16 (d) The individual's compensation during the period of reemployment may not
17 be subject to the employer pickup provisions of § 21-303 of this article or any
18 reduction or deduction as a member contribution for pension or retirement purposes.

19 (e) The State Retirement Agency shall institute appropriate reporting20 procedures with the affected payroll systems to ensure compliance with this section.

21 (f) (1) Immediately on the employment of any individual receiving a service
22 retirement allowance or a vested allowance, a participating employer shall notify the
23 State Retirement Agency of the type of employment and the anticipated earnings of
24 the individual.

25 (2) At least once each year, in a format specified by the State Retirement 26 Agency, each participating employer shall provide the State Retirement Agency with 27 a list of all employees included on any payroll of the employer, the Social Security 28 numbers of the employees, and their earnings for that year.

(g) The county boards of education shall notify the State Retirement Agency of
any retired teachers who qualify under subsection (b)(1)(iii) of this section or any
personnel who qualify under subsection (b)(1)(iv) OR (V) of this section.

32 (h) The State Board of Education shall notify the county boards of education33 of:

34 (1) any public school that is recommended for reconstitution or has been 35 reconstituted;

36 (2) any public school that is no longer recommended for reconstitution or
37 is otherwise found to meet the standards for school performance set by the State
38 Board of Education after reconstitution or a recommendation for reconstitution;

1 (3) any county or subject area on a statewide basis in which the State 2 Board of Education finds there is a shortage of teachers; and

3 (4) a finding that there is no longer a shortage of teachers in a county or 4 subject area on a statewide basis.

5 (i) In addition to any regulations adopted in accordance with § 6-202 of the
6 Education Article, the State Board of Education shall adopt regulations concerning
7 the employment terms of retired teachers and personnel described in subsection
8 (b)(1)(iv) OR (V) of this section.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take 10 effect July 1, 2001. It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of 11 June 30, 2004, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall 12 be abrogated and of no further force and effect.