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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Personnel - Awards - Interest**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor to include money in the budget to pay  
4 certain interest on certain awards; requiring the Comptroller to authorize  
5 payment of certain interest on certain awards; and generally relating to State  
6 personnel and interest on awards.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - State Personnel and Pensions  
9 Section 14-204  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2004 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 14-204.

16 (a) The Governor shall include in the State budget sufficient money to pay all  
17 awards made against this State or an officer or unit of this State, INCLUDING  
18 INTEREST AT THE SAME AVERAGE RATE AS THE STATE RECEIVED ON ITS  
19 INVESTMENTS OVER THE TIME PERIOD THE AWARD WAS OUTSTANDING.

20 (b) On appropriation of money by the General Assembly, the Comptroller shall  
21 authorize payment of all outstanding awards, INCLUDING INTEREST, in the order of  
22 the date on which each award was made.

23 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
24 October 1, 2005.