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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Police Retirement System - Special Disability Retirement - Former**
3 **Members**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and
5 Pension System to accept certain applications for special disability retirement
6 submitted by a certain date from certain former members of the State Police
7 Retirement System; requiring certain former members of the State Police
8 Retirement System to make certain payments to the Board of Trustees for the
9 State Retirement and Pension System under certain circumstances on or before
10 a certain date; providing that certain former members of the State Police
11 Retirement System receive a certain benefit that includes certain cost-of-living
12 adjustments under certain circumstances; and generally relating to special
13 disability retirement benefits for a former member of the State Police
14 Retirement System.

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
16 MARYLAND, That:

17 (a) This section applies to an individual who:

18 (1) joined the State Police Retirement System on or before September 1,
19 1971;

20 (2) terminated employment with the Maryland State Police on or before
21 December 30, 1982, and received a refund of the individual's member contributions to
22 the State Police Retirement System plus interest; and

1 (3) while working as a State trooper was partnered with an individual
2 who was shot and killed in the line of duty.

3 (b) The Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System shall
4 accept an application for consideration of a special disability retirement submitted
5 prior to December 31, 2006, from any individual described under subsection (a) of this
6 section.

7 (c) (1) If the Board of Trustees grants an individual described under
8 subsection (a) of this section a special disability retirement, the individual:

9 (i) shall pay to the Board of Trustees in a single payment within 6
10 months of the Board of Trustees granting the special disability, the total refund of
11 employee contributions plus interest that the individual received on terminating
12 State employment; and

13 (ii) is entitled to a special retirement disability benefit as provided
14 under ~~§ 29-110~~ § 29-111 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article equal to the
15 lesser of:

16 1. the individual's average final compensation on December
17 30, 1982; or

18 2. the sum of:

19 A. an annuity that is the actuarial equivalent of the
20 individual's accumulated contributions at retirement on December 30, 1982; and

21 B. a pension equal to two-thirds of the individual's average
22 final compensation on December 30, 1982.

23 (2) The Board of Trustees shall adjust the allowance of the individual
24 who receives a special disability retirement allowance under this subsection
25 retroactively to the date the individual filed the application for special disability
26 retirement under subsection (b) of this section.

27 (3) The special disability allowance granted under this subsection shall
28 include all cost-of-living adjustments from December 30, 1982.

29 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
30 July 1, 2006.

