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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Retirement and Pensions - Service Retirement Allowance - Creditable**
3 **Service**

4 FOR the purpose of providing that certain members and retirees of the Employees'
5 Pension System may receive a certain number of years of service credit for
6 certain employment under certain circumstances; providing for the termination
7 of this Act; and generally relating to creditable service for purposes of
8 determining service retirement allowances.

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
10 MARYLAND, That:

11 (a) In this section, "desk officer" means:

- 12 (1) the Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates;
- 13 (2) the Assistant Chief Clerk of the House of Delegates;
- 14 (3) the Journal Clerk of the House of Delegates;
- 15 (4) the Secretary of the Senate;
- 16 (5) the Assistant Secretary of the Senate;
- 17 (6) the Journal Clerk of the Senate; and
- 18 (7) any desk officer who retired from the General Assembly on or after
19 January 1, 2005.

20 (b) (1) A member or retiree of the Employees' Pension System who has been
21 employed by the General Assembly as a desk officer on a full-time or part-time basis
22 may receive up to 5 years of service credit for which the member or retiree is not
23 otherwise entitled.

1 (2) Any service credit that a member or retiree of the Employees' Pension
2 System receives under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be for the period of time
3 that the member or retiree:

4 (i) was employed as a desk officer or in any other position as a
5 full-time or part-time permanent, temporary, or contractual State employee; and

6 (ii) was not a member of either the Employees' Retirement System
7 or the Employees' Pension System.

8 (3) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, for service credit
9 granted under this Act, a year or part of a year of employment equals 1 year of service
10 credit.

11 (c) A member or retiree may receive service credit under subsection (b) of this
12 section only for the period of time the member or retiree was employed, if the member
13 receives service credit from the Employees' Pension System for any employment
14 during the same year as the service credit under subsection (b) of this section is
15 accrued.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
17 July 1, 2006. It shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of
18 December 31, 2006, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act
19 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.