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By: **Delegate Niemann** Introduced and read first time: January 31, 2007 Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Employees' Pension System – Transfer of Service Credit

3 FOR the purpose of providing that certain members of the Employees' Pension System 4 may transfer certain service credit from the State Contributory Employees' 5 Pension System in a certain manner; requiring that certain members of the 6 Employees' Pension System who transfer certain service credit from the State 7 Contributory Employees' Pension System complete and file certain forms with 8 the Board of Trustees of the State Retirement and Pension System by a certain 9 date; defining a certain term; providing for the termination of this Act; and 10 generally relating to the transfer of service credit for members of the Employees' Pension System. 11

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 13 MARYLAND, That:

(a) In this section, "State Contributory Employees' Pension System" means
the part of the Employees' Pension System of the State of Maryland that provides a
contributory pension benefit under Title 23, Subtitle 2, Part II of the State Personnel
and Pensions Article.

18 (b) This section applies to an individual who:

(1) on or before June 30, 2007, was employed by the Office of the
Public Defender and was a member of the State Contributory Employees' Pension
System;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 (2) on or after July 1, 2007, is employed by the State's Attorney's 2 Office for a county that:

3 (i) is a participant in the Employees' Pension System as a 4 participating governmental unit; and

5 (ii) did not elect to participate in the contributory pension 6 benefit under § 23–218 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article; and

7 (3) has been a member of the Employees' Pension System for more 8 than 1 year.

9 (c) (1) An individual described in subsection (b) of this section may elect 10 to transfer to the Employees' Pension System the years of creditable service the 11 individual accrued in the State Contributory Employees' Pension System prior to 12 joining the Employees' Pension System.

(2) An individual who elects to transfer creditable service in
 paragraph (1) of this subsection shall transfer the creditable service in accordance
 with Title 37 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.

16 (d) To transfer service credit under subsection (c) of this section, an 17 individual shall complete a claim to transfer the service credit on a form provided by 18 the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System and file it with the 19 Board of Trustees on or before December 31, 2007.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 21 July 1, 2007. It shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of 22 December 31, 2007, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act 23 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

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