

# HOUSE BILL 575

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits Program -**  
3 **Eligibility for Enrollment and Participation**

4 FOR the purpose of allowing employees of the Southern Maryland Regional Library,  
5 the Eastern Shore Regional Library, and the Western Maryland Regional  
6 Library to enroll and participate in the health insurance benefit options  
7 established under the State Employee and Retiree Health and Welfare Benefits  
8 Program under certain circumstances; requiring a regional library to pay  
9 certain costs to the State; requiring a regional library to make a certain  
10 determination; and generally relating to the participation in health and  
11 insurance benefit options under the State Employee and Retiree Health and  
12 Welfare Benefits Program by employees of the Southern Maryland Regional  
13 Library, the Eastern Shore Regional Library, and the Western Maryland  
14 Regional Library.

15 BY adding to  
16 Article – State Personnel and Pensions  
17 Section 2–515.1  
18 Annotated Code of Maryland

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### EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (2004 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

2 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
3 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

4 **Article - State Personnel and Pensions**

5 **2-515.1.**

6 (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO THE SOUTHERN MARYLAND REGIONAL  
7 LIBRARY, THE EASTERN SHORE REGIONAL LIBRARY, AND THE WESTERN  
8 MARYLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY.

9 (B) AN EMPLOYEE OF A REGIONAL LIBRARY SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION  
10 MAY ENROLL AND PARTICIPATE IN THE HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFIT OPTIONS  
11 ESTABLISHED UNDER THE PROGRAM WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE LIBRARY.

12 (C) A REGIONAL LIBRARY SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION SHALL:

13 (1) PAY TO THE STATE THE TOTAL COSTS RESULTING FROM THE  
14 PARTICIPATION OF ITS EMPLOYEES IN THE PROGRAM; AND

15 (2) DETERMINE THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE REGIONAL LIBRARY  
16 WILL SUBSIDIZE PARTICIPATION OF ITS EMPLOYEES IN THE PROGRAM.

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
18 July 1, 2007.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.