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By: **Delegate James** Introduced and read first time: February 3, 2010

Assigned to: Appropriations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System – Transfer of Service Credit

4 FOR the purpose of providing that certain members of the State Contributory Law $\mathbf{5}$ Enforcement Officers' Pension System may transfer certain service credit from 6 the Employees' Pension System in a certain manner; requiring that certain 7 members of the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System 8 who transfer certain service credit from the Employees' Pension System 9 complete and file certain forms with the Board of Trustees of the State Retirement and Pension System by a certain date; defining a certain term; 10 providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally 11 12relating to the transfer of service credit for members of the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System. 13

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

(a) In this section, "State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension
System" means the part of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System of the State
of Maryland that provides a contributory pension benefit under Title 26, Subtitle 2,
Part II of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.

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

(1) on or after January 1, 1980, was employed by the Maryland Port
 Administration and joined the Employees' Pension System;

(2) on or after January 1, 1982, accepted employed with the Harford
County Sheriff's Office when Harford County was a participant in the Employees'
Pension System as a participating governmental unit before the Employees' Pension
System became a contributory pension system;

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

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1 (3) on or before May 1, 1992, terminated employment with the 2 Harford County Sheriff's Office; and

3 (4) on or after August 1, 2008, resumed employment with the Harford
4 County Sheriff's Office and joined the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers'
5 Pension System.

- 6 (c) (1) An individual described in subsection (b) of this section may elect 7 to transfer to the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System the 8 years of creditable service the individual accrued in the Employees' Pension System.
- 9 (2) An individual who elects to transfer creditable service in 10 paragraph (1) of this subsection shall transfer the creditable service in accordance 11 with Title 37 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.
- 12 (d) To transfer service credit under subsection (c) of this section, an 13 individual shall complete a claim to transfer the service credit on a form provided by 14 the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System and file it with the 15 Board of Trustees on or before December 31, 2010.
- 16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 17 July 1, 2010. It shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of 18 December 31, 2010, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act 19 shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.