

# SENATE BILL 473

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By: **Senator Peters (Chair, Joint Committee on Pensions)**

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Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Correctional Officers' Retirement System – Clifton T. Perkins Maximum**  
3 **Security Guards – Vested Allowances**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the age at which a normal service retirement allowance begins  
5 for a member of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System who is a maximum  
6 security attendant at the Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center and begins membership  
7 after a certain date; altering the age at which a vested allowance begins for a member  
8 of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System who is a maximum security  
9 attendant at the Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center and begins membership after a  
10 certain date; and generally relating to allowances for members of the Correctional  
11 Officers' Retirement System.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Article – State Personnel and Pensions  
14 Section 25–401(a) and 29–302(c)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2015 Replacement Volume)

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

19 **Article – State Personnel and Pensions**

20 25–401.

21 (a) A member may retire with a normal service retirement allowance if:

22 (1) on or before the date of retirement, the member:

23 (i) has at least 20 years of eligibility service;

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (ii) is at least 55 years old and has:

2 1. at least 5 years of eligibility service credit, if the member  
3 is a member on or before June 30, 2011; or

4 2. at least 10 years of eligibility service credit, if the member  
5 becomes a member on or after July 1, 2011; [or]

6 (iii) is a maximum security attendant at the Clifton T. Perkins  
7 Hospital Center who is at least 60 years old and has:

8 1. at least 5 years of eligibility service credit, if the member  
9 is a member on or before June 30, 2011; or

10 2. at least 10 years of eligibility service credit, if the member  
11 becomes a member on or after July 1, 2011, **BUT BEFORE JULY 1, 2016; [and] OR**

12 **(IV) IS A MAXIMUM SECURITY ATTENDANT AT THE CLIFTON T.**  
13 **PERKINS HOSPITAL CENTER WHO IS AT LEAST 55 YEARS OLD AND HAS AT LEAST 10**  
14 **YEARS OF ELIGIBILITY SERVICE CREDIT, IF THE MEMBER BECOMES A MEMBER ON**  
15 **OR AFTER JULY 1, 2016; AND**

16 (2) the member completes and submits a written application to the Board  
17 of Trustees stating the date when the member desires to retire.

18 29–302.

19 (c) A vested allowance is a deferred allowance starting at:

20 (1) normal retirement age for members of:

21 (i) the Employees' Retirement System;

22 (ii) the State Police Retirement System; and

23 (iii) the Teachers' Retirement System;

24 (2) except as provided in item (3) of this subsection, age 55 for a member of  
25 the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; or

26 (3) age 60 for a member of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System  
27 who is a maximum security attendant at the Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center **AND IS A**  
28 **MEMBER OF THE CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BEFORE JULY**  
29 **1, 2016.**

1           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July  
2   1, 2016.