Chapter 207

(House Bill 267)

AN ACT concerning

Optional Retirement Program - Regulations

FOR the purpose of requiring the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System to adopt and maintain a written plan document for the optional retirement program; authorizing the Board of Trustees to adopt certain regulations; and generally relating to the optional retirement program.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 30-201

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 30-203

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

Article - State Personnel and Pensions

30-201.

- (a) There is an optional retirement program in which eligible employees may participate.
- (b) Under the program, annuity contracts offered by a designated company that provide retirement and death benefits may be purchased for participating employees.
- (c) (1) The Board of Trustees shall administer the program to the extent provided in this title.
- (2) The State Retirement Agency shall carry out the administrative duties of the Board of Trustees.
 - (d) The program shall be offered by each employing institution.

30-203.

The Board of Trustees shall ADOPT AND MAINTAIN A WRITTEN PLAN DOCUMENT FOR THE PROGRAM AND MAY adopt regulations that [are] IT DEEMS necessary to carry out this title.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2019.

Approved by the Governor, April 18, 2019.