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By: Senator Jackson

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System – City of Bowie Police Department – 3 Transfers and Purchases of Service

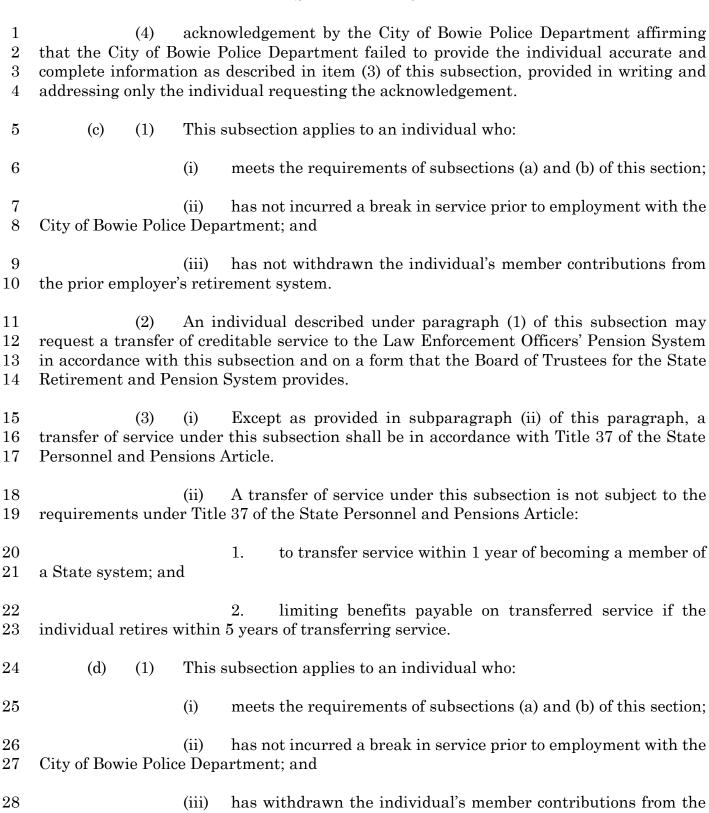
FOR the purpose of authorizing a transfer of certain service credit to, and a purchase of certain service credit in, the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System for certain local law enforcement officers of the City of Bowie Police Department hired at certain time periods under certain circumstances; and generally relating to transfers and purchases of service credit in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System.

- 9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, 10 That:
- 11 (a) This section applies to an individual who was hired on or before January 1, 2007, and not later than December 31, 2015, as an employee of the City of Bowie Police 13 Department.
- 14 (b) On or before December 31, 2023, an individual described in subsection (a) of 15 this section may submit documentation verifying:
- 16 (1) the date the individual ceased employment with the employer 17 immediately prior to the City of Bowie Police Department, provided by the prior employer;
- 18 (2) the date the individual began employment with the City of Bowie Police 19 Department, provided by the City of Bowie Police Department;
- 20 (3) at the time of the individual's hiring, that the City of Bowie Police 21 Department failed to provide accurate and complete information regarding eligibility to 22 transfer service credit accrued to the State Retirement and Pension System in accordance 23 with § 22–209 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article, without which the individual 24 failed to transfer service credit accrued to the State Retirement and Pension System; and



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prior employer's retirement system.



30 (2) An individual described under paragraph (1) of this subsection may 31 purchase service credit as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection for which the 32 individual is not otherwise entitled.

An individual who purchases service credit under this subsection shall:

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(3)

2 3	(i) complete a claim for the service credit and file it with the Board of Trustees on a form that the Board of Trustees provides; and
4	(ii) pay to the Board of Trustees in a single payment the member
5	contributions the member would have made for the period of employment for which service
6	credit is being purchased if the member had earned the prior service in the same part of
7	the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System in which the member is currently enrolled,
8	plus regular interest to the date of payment.
9	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
10	1, 2023. It shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of December 31,
11	2023, this Act, with no further action required by the General Assembly, shall be abrogated
12	and of no further force and effect.