

Chapter 57

**(House Bill 872)**

AN ACT concerning

**Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System – Seat Pleasant Police Department**

FOR the purpose of requiring membership in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System for certain local law enforcement officers of the Seat Pleasant Police Department under certain circumstances; providing that a certain individual is entitled to eligibility service and creditable service that was earned before the effective date of the Seat Pleasant Police Department's participation in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; and generally relating to the Seat Pleasant Police Department's participation in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System.

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions  
Section 31–2A–08  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2024 Replacement Volume and 2025 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**

**31–2A–08.**

**(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS A LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE SEAT PLEASANT POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

**(1) IN A PERMANENT FULL–TIME POSITION BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE AND WHO REMAINS A LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE SEAT PLEASANT POLICE DEPARTMENT IN A PERMANENT FULL–TIME POSITION THROUGH THE EFFECTIVE DATE; OR**

**(2) IN A PERMANENT FULL–TIME POSITION AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**(B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW, IF THE SEAT PLEASANT POLICE DEPARTMENT BECOMES A PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTAL UNIT IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' PENSION SYSTEM, MEMBERSHIP IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' PENSION SYSTEM IS MANDATORY FOR AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.**

**(C) IF THE SEAT PLEASANT POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMENCES PARTICIPATION IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' PENSION SYSTEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(1) OF THIS SECTION IS ENTITLED TO ELIGIBILITY SERVICE AND CREDITABLE SERVICE IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' PENSION SYSTEM FOR EMPLOYMENT WITH THE SEAT PLEASANT POLICE DEPARTMENT BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE.**

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2026.

**Approved by the Governor, April 14, 2026.**