

Chapter 65

(Senate Bill 136)

AN ACT concerning

Collective Bargaining – Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission – Police Officers

FOR the purpose of applying certain provisions of law governing collective bargaining for State employees to certain police officers of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission; and generally relating to collective bargaining rights for police officers of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Cannabis Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 Article – State Personnel and Pensions
 Section 3–102(a) and (b)(13)
 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

3–102.

(a) Except as provided in this title or as otherwise provided by law, this title applies to:

- (1) all employees of:
 - (i) the principal departments within the Executive Branch of State government;
 - (ii) the Maryland Insurance Administration;
 - (iii) the State Department of Assessments and Taxation;
 - (iv) the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency;
 - (v) the University System of Maryland, Morgan State University, St. Mary's College of Maryland, and Baltimore City Community College;
 - (vi) the Comptroller;

officers;

- (vii) the Maryland Transportation Authority who are not police

- (viii) the State Retirement Agency;

- (ix) the State Department of Education;

- (x) the Maryland Environmental Service;

- (xi) the Maryland School for the Deaf; and

- (xii) the Office of the Public Defender;

- (2) firefighters for the Martin State Airport at the rank of captain or below who are employed by the Military Department; [and]

- (3) all full-time Maryland Transportation Authority police officers at the rank of first sergeant and below; AND

- (4) **POLICE OFFICERS WHO IN AN OFFICIAL CAPACITY ARE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE ARRESTS AND ARE EMPLOYEES OF THE ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND CANNABIS COMMISSION.**

(b) This title does not apply to:

- (13) any employee described in subsection (a)(2) **OR (4)** of this section who is a supervisory, managerial, or confidential employee, as defined in regulations adopted by the Secretary.

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

Approved by the Governor, April 14, 2026.