Chapter 686

(House Bill 619)

AN ACT concerning

State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System - Transfer of Service Credit

FOR the purpose of providing that certain members of the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System may transfer certain service credit from the Employees' Pension System in a certain manner; requiring that certain members of the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System who transfer certain service credit from the Employees' Pension System complete and file certain forms with the Board of Trustees of the State Retirement and Pension System by a certain date; defining a certain term; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the transfer of service credit for members of the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That:

- (a) In this section, "State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System" means the part of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System of the State of Maryland that provides a contributory pension benefit under Title 26, Subtitle 2, Part II of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.
 - (b) This section applies to an individual who:
- (1) on or after January 1, 1980, was employed by the Maryland Port Administration and joined the Employees' Pension System;
- (2) on or after January 1, 1982, accepted employed with the Harford County Sheriff's Office when Harford County was a participant in the Employees' Pension System as a participating governmental unit before the Employees' Pension System became a contributory pension system;
- (3) on or before May 1, 1992, terminated employment with the Harford County Sheriff's Office; and
- (4) on or after August 1, 2008, resumed employment with the Harford County Sheriff's Office and joined the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System.

- (c) (1) An individual described in subsection (b) of this section may elect to transfer to the State Contributory Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System the years of creditable service the individual accrued in the Employees' Pension System.
- (2) An individual who elects to transfer creditable service in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall transfer the creditable service in accordance with Title 37 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.
- (d) To transfer service credit under subsection (c) of this section, an individual shall complete a claim to transfer the service credit on a form provided by the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System and file it with the Board of Trustees on or before December 31, 2010.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2010. It shall remain effective for a period of 6 months and, at the end of December 31, 2010, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

Approved by the Governor, May 20, 2010.