

of sixty but may on application each year be continued from year to year as members of the department, on the approval of the Mayor and City Council, until they reach the age of sixty-five, at which age retirement becomes mandatory. Provided, however, that the Chief of Police, the Assistant Chief, the Lieutenant and the Sergeants may on application each year be continued from year to year on the approval of the Mayor and City Council without any limitation as to age.

Every member of the Police Department retired under the provisions of this section shall be paid a pension or retirement allowance equal to one-half of the salary received by him at the time of hire retirement, but no member of the Department shall be retired on a pension under this section prior to June 1, 1937.

In order to provide funds with which to pay the pension authorized by this section, one per cent (1%) of the regular salary of every member of the Police Department shall be deducted every six months by the Auditor of the City and shall be paid into a special account to be created by the City Treasurer, to be known as the Police Pension Fund. The Mayor and City Council shall appropriate and pay into said fund a similar amount every six months.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1936.

Approved April 29, 1936.

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## CHAPTER 96.

AN ACT to add two new sections to Article 78 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1935 Supplement), title "Purchasing Bureau," said new sections to be known as Sections 6B and 6C and to follow immediately after Section 6A of said Article, relating to the purchase of bituminous coal by the State of Maryland and its agencies and contracts by the State or any agency thereof for any public work or service involving the use of bituminous coal.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That two new sections be and they are hereby added to Article 78 of the Annotated Code of Maryland