

(1) "Retirement System" shall mean the State Police Retirement System of the State of Maryland as defined in Section 47 of this sub-title.

(2) "Department" shall mean the Department of Maryland State Police.

(3) "Employee" shall mean any officer or employee of the Department of Maryland State Police other than the Superintendent of the Department of Maryland State Police, for whom compensation is provided for by State appropriation, or whose compensation is paid from State funds, and whether paid on an annual, daily or hourly basis. It shall exclude any person who is a member of or eligible to membership in the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Maryland or the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Maryland or the Judges Retirement System and any class of employees whose compensation is only partly paid by the State or who are serving on a temporary basis. In all cases of doubt, the Board of Trustees, provided for in Section 51 of this sub-title shall determine whether any person is an employee as defined in this sub-title, irrespective of the method of payment.

(4) "Member" shall mean any employee included in the membership of the retirement system as provided in Section 48 of this sub-title.

(5) "Board of Trustees" shall mean the board provided for in Section 51 of this sub-title to administer the retirement system.

(6) "Medical Board" shall mean the board of physicians provided for in Section 51 of this sub-title.

(7) "Service" shall mean service as an employee paid for by the State.

(8) "Prior service" shall mean service rendered prior to the date of establishment of the retirement system, for which credit is allowable under Section 49 of this sub-title.

(9) "Membership service" shall mean service as an employee rendered while a member of the retirement system.

(10) "Creditable service" shall mean prior service plus membership service for which credit is allowable as provided in Section 49 of this sub-title.

(11) "Beneficiary" shall mean any person in receipt of a pension, an annuity, a retirement allowance, or other benefits as provided by this sub-title.