

Maryland (1951 Edition), title "State Police", sub-title "State Police Retirement system", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

(15) "Average final compensation" shall mean the average annual earnable compensation of an employee during ~~his last~~ **THE** ~~ten~~ **five** CONSECUTIVE years of service as an employee, DURING WHICH HIS EARNABLE COMPENSATION WAS HIGHEST or if he had less than ~~ten~~ **five** years of service, then his average earnable compensation for his total service.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1955.

Approved April 11, 1955.

CHAPTER 264

(Senate Bill 173)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 1(15) of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland 1951 Edition), title "Pensions", providing that the term "average final compensation" shall mean the average annual earnable compensation of a member of the State Employees Retirement System for the five consecutive years of service during which his earnable compensation was highest, instead of the ten consecutive years during which his earnable compensation was highest.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 1(15) of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Pensions", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

(15) "Average final compensation" shall mean the average annual earnable compensation of an employee for the ~~ten~~ **five** consecutive years of service as an employee during which his earnable compensation was highest, or if he had less than ~~ten~~ **five** years of service, then his average earnable compensation for his total service.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1955.

Approved April 11, 1955.

CHAPTER 265

(Senate Bill 209)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Clerks of Courts", sub-title

EXPLANATION: *Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.*

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken out of bill.