

(d) which pro rata computation is made by the use of the following formula:

$$\frac{\$3000 - b}{6} \quad x \quad \frac{c. s.}{25}$$

in which formula "b" represents "benefits provided by Section 8" and "c. s." represents "years of creditable service", except that the ratio of "c. s. divided by 25" shall not be applied to any beneficiary who was, or member who may be retired for disability having less than 25 years of creditable service, and

(e) provided that the retirement allowance used in calculating the supplementary payment shall be the total benefits provided in Section 8 of this Article except that it shall not be based on any optional benefit chosen by the beneficiary or member.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 31, 1956.

Approved April 4, 1956.

CHAPTER 126

(House Bill 86)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Natural Resources", to be hereafter known as Section 407A, to follow immediately after Section 407 of said title, and to be under a new sub-title "Middle Atlantic Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact", authorizing the Governor, on behalf of the State of Maryland, to execute a compact, as set out in this bill, with any one or more of the States of Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia; said compact providing for the integration of forest fire plans of the compacting states, relating to the maintenance of adequate forest fire fighting services and to mutual aid in fighting forest fires among such states.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That a new section to be known as Section 407A, be and it is hereby added to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Natural Resources", to be under the new sub-title "Middle Atlantic Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact", to follow immediately after Section 407 thereof, and all to read as follows:

Middle Atlantic Interstate Forest Fire Protection Compact

407A. (a) *The Governor on behalf of this State is hereby authorized to execute a compact, in substantially the following form,*

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.