person as he shall nominate by written designation duly acknowledged and filed with the board of trustees at the time of his retirement; or

- Option 4. Some other benefit or benefits shall be paid either to the member or to such person or persons as he shall nominate provided such other benefit or benefits, together with the reduced retirement allowance, shall be certified by the actuary to be of equivalent actuarial value to his retirement allowance, and shall be approved by the board of trustees.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this sub-section or elsewhere in this Article, whenever any member who is eligible for service retirement under the provisions of Section 113(1)(a) of this Article dies in service, without having nominated by written designation a beneficiary other than his spouse, leaving a surviving spouse to whom he had been married for at least five years, and with whom he was living as husband or wife on the date of his death, said spouse shall be entitled to a retirement allowance equal to that which would have been paid to the surviving spouse under Option 2 of this Subsection (8), had the member elected Option 2 in favor of his spouse and retired thirty days before his death; provided, however, that if such spouse is the person nominated by the member to receive any benefit under Section 113(6) of this Article, he may, by written notice filed with the board of trustees prior to the commencement of such retirement allowance but not more than 60 days after the death of such member, elect to receive a benefit under the provisions of Section 113(6) in lieu of such retirement allowance.

SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect on June 1, 1960.

Approved March 2, 1960.

CHAPTER 15

(Senate Bill 17)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 42 of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Pensions", sub-title "Social Security Benefits", amending the laws concerning studies and reports of the social security system for State employees submitted to the Legislature by the Division of Social Security of the State Retirement Systems.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 42 of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Pensions", sub-title "Social Security Benefits", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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.