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- (12) Upon the receipt of proper proofs of the death of a member who was retired under the provisions of subsection (1) or (3) of this section on or after July 1, 1965, there shall be paid child's insurance benefits, widow's insurance benefits, mother's insurance benefits, parents' insurance benefits and lump-sum death payments which are computed and paid in accordance with the provisions of Title II of the Federal Social Security Act as in effect at the time of payment, provided that the average monthly wage upon which such benefits are based is deemed to be the lesser of one-twelfth the member's average final compensation or the maximum average monthly wage then in effect.
- (13) Anything in this subtitle to the contrary notwithstanding, any member whose service is terminated other than by death or retirement after he has rendered twenty or more years of creditable service may elect to receive a vested retirement allowance in lieu of the return of his accumulated contributions. The vested retirement allowance shall be a deferred allowance commencing at the age of 60 and shall consist of:
- (a) An annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of the member's accumulated contributions at the age of 60; and
- (b) A pension computed as provided under subsection (2) (b) of this section on the basis of his creditable service and average final compensation at the time his service is terminated.

Should the member who has elected a vested retirement allowance request the return of his contributions or die prior to the date when the first payment of his retirement allowance becomes normally due, the amount of his accumulated contributions shall be returned and no further benefit shall be due or become payable on account of his previous membership.

- SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that every administrative means available to the Department of Maryland State Police be utilized fully to achieve the goal of providing a framework within which a young and vigorous force of State Police can be developed and maintained.
- SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1965.

Approved May 4, 1965.

CHAPTER 748

(Senate Bill 42)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 5 (c), (d) and (e) of Article 88B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1964 Supplement), title "State Police," subtitle "In General," to increase the salaries of police employees of the Department of Maryland State Police and to change and clarify the calculation of their longevity pay to exclude the salary increases from such calculations, and relating generally to compensa-