ACCUMULATED CONTRIBUTIONS AND MEMBERSHIP SERVICE CREDIT FROM THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND AND THE MEMBERSHIP IN THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND (NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 33 OF ARTICLE 73B OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, 1957 EDITION AS AMENDED), SHALL BE AND CONTINUE AT THE RATE OF CONTRIBUTION FOR ATTAINED AGE AT THE TIME OF ORIGINAL ENROLLMENT IN THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF BALTIMORE WHICH THEN WAS IN EFFECT IN THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND.

SEC. 15. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT AS TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE WHO HELD THAT POSITION AS IT THEN EXISTED ON JANUARY 1, 1966, AND IF HE HAD BEEN IN THAT POSITION FOR AT LEAST SIX MONTHS IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 1966, THE DEFINITION OF "AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION" IN SECTION 1(15) OF ARTICLE 73B OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1957 EDITION, AS AMENDED), IS MODIFIED SO THAT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND "AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION" SHALL MEAN THE AVERAGE ANNUAL EARNABLE COMPENSATION OF THE EMPLOYEE FOR THE FIVE CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF SERVICE AS AN EMPLOYEE DURING WHICH HIS EARNABLE COMPENSATION WAS HIGHEST, OR IF HE HAD LESS THAN FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE FROM AND AFTER JULY 1, 1966, THEN HIS AVERAGE EARNABLE COMPENSATION (EXPRESSED ON AN ANNUAL BASIS) FOR ANY PERIOD OF SERVICE AFTER JULY 1, 1966.

SEC. 14. 16. And be it further enacted, That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed to the extent of the inconsistency.

SEC. 15. 17. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1966.

Approved May 6, 1966.

## CHAPTER 572

(Senate Bill 13)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Article 23B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1965 Supplement), title "Municipal Corporation Charter," generally amending the so-called Model Charter which is in the State Code for optional use by the several municipal corporations in this State, in order to make certain changes of substance and style in the provisions of this charter.