SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That Section 55 (1) of Article 88B of the said Code (1969 Replacement Volume), title "State Police," subtitle "State Police Retirement System," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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(1) Powers and limitations of board.—The board of trustees shall be the trustees of the several funds created by this subtitle as provided in Section 56 of this subtitle, and shall have full power to invest and reinvest such funds, subject to all the terms, conditions, limitations and restrictions imposed by the law of Maryland upon domestic life insurance companies in the making and disposing of their investments; except that the board may invest a maximum of [twenty-five percent (25%)] fifty percent (50%) of the total funds of the retirement system in common stocks, OF WHICH NOT MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT (5%) MAY BE IN NON-DIVIDEND PAYING COMMON STOCKS, and subject to like terms, conditions, limitations and restrictions, said trustees shall have full power to hold, purchase, sell, assign, transfer and dispose of any of the securities and investments in which any of the funds created herein shall have been invested, as well as the proceeds of said investments and any moneys belonging to said funds. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law to the contrary that ground rent redemption deeds, releases or reassignment of mortgages, satisfactions or reassignment of notes, conveying, releasing or reassigning any interest owned by the State of Maryland for the use of the State Police Retirement System of the State of Maryland, shall be executed by any two of the following: director of retirement systems, Investment Administrator and/or mortgage attorney.

SEC. 4. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.

Approved May 5, 1970

CHAPTER 549

(Senate Bill 310)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 3 (5) of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Supplement), title "Pensions", subtitle "In General", amending the law relating to membership of elected or appointed officials in the State Employees' Retirement System by deleting the provisions relating to officials elected or appointed for fixed terms.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 3(5) of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Supplement), title "Pensions", subtitle "In General", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows: