

~~maximum percentage of loan permitted on each transaction, and restricting the loans to Maryland residents. ERAL," TO AUTHORIZE THE INVESTMENT OF STATE RETIREMENT FUNDS IN MORTGAGES AND DEEDS OF TRUST ON PROPERTIES LOCATED IN MARYLAND AND TO PLACE A LIMIT ON THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS WHICH MAY BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE.~~

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 13(1) of Article 73B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume and 1969 Supplement), title "Pensions," subtitle "In General," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

13.

(1) Power and limitations of board.—The board of trustees shall be the trustees of the several funds created by this article as provided in Section 14 of this article, 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%) of the total funds of the retirement system in common stocks ~~and shall MAY invest twenty FORTY percent (20 40%) of the total funds in home mortgages and deeds of trust to Maryland residents, no individual loan to exceed sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the fair market value of the home being purchased;~~ AND MAY INVEST A MAXIMUM OF FORTY PERCENT (40%) OF THE TOTAL FUNDS IN MORTGAGES AND DEEDS OF TRUST ON PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND; 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 reassignments of mortgages, satisfactions or reassignments of notes, conveying, releasing or reassigning any interest owned by the State of Maryland for the use of the Employees' 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. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.

Approved May 21, 1970.

CHAPTER 698
(House Bill 396)

AN ACT to add new Article 76A to the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume), to follow immediately after Section ARTICLE 76 thereof, and to be under the new title "Public In-