

shall be heard in the first instance by the zoning hearing officer and on appeal, de novo, by the county board of appeals. *Zoning reclassifications shall be granted or denied in accordance with appropriate zoning regulations, but no reclassifications shall be granted except on the basis of an affirmative finding that there was a mistake in the zoning map or that the character of the neighborhood has changed to such an extent that the zoning map should be changed. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary, the county board of appeals may impose such additional restrictions, conditions or limitations upon such reclassification as may be deemed appropriate to preserve, improve, or protect the general character and design of the lands and improvements being zoned or rezoned, or of the surrounding or adjacent lands and improvements, and may, upon the zoning or rezoning of any land or lands, retain or reserve the power and authority to approve or disapprove the design of buildings, construction, landscaping, or other improvements, alterations, and changes made or to be made on the subject land or lands to assure conformity with the intent and purpose of this article and of the County's zoning ordinance.*

(3) In all cases heard by the county board of appeals, its decision shall be final unless further appeal be taken therefrom in the manner provided in Section 2-102.

*Section 2.* AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Ordinance shall take effect forty-five (45) days from the date it becomes law.

APPROVED AND ENACTED: July 29, 1970.

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**Bill No. 79-70**

An Ordinance to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 1-223 (a) (2) of the Anne Arundel County Code (1967 Edition and Supplements), Title 1, "Administration", Subtitle 2, "Personnel", Article III, "Employees' Retirement Plan", changing the date beyond which a participant in the County Retirement Plan may receive credited past service.

*Section 1.* BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND, That Section 1-223 (a) (2) of the Anne Arundel County Code (1967 Edition and Supplements) be, and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:  
Section 1-223

(a) (2) "Credited past service", means service credited to a participant under the employees' retirement system of the state. A participant will not receive credited past service unless he elects to become a participant of this retirement plan before **[August 31, 1969]** *July 1, 1970.*

*Section 2.* AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Ordinance shall take effect forty-five (45) days from the date it becomes law.

APPROVED AND ENACTED: July 29, 1970.

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**Bill No. 80-70**

An Ordinance to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 1-215 (a) (4), (b) (5), (c) (2), (d) (1), (2) and (3) and (e) (1) of the Anne Arundel County Code (1967 Edition and Supple-