

amount to the retirement system or to place it in the next ensuing budget for prompt payment when that budget becomes effective. The board of trustees is authorized and directed to include any amount due from the State in the appropriation allowed by the next ensuing State budget.

Any such official who receives membership service credit for service rendered to the State or to a participating municipal corporation under the provisions of this subsection shall pay to the retirement system by single payment, within such period of time as may be determined by the board of trustees, the contributions, with interest, which he would have paid had he been a member of the retirement system but withdrew. Provided, however, that any such member may waive the payment of any or all such contributions, in which case upon retirement any ordinary disability retirement allowance or any allowance due to nonreappointment or nonreelection to any office payable to such official, shall be reduced by the actuarial equivalent of those contributions which he had not paid, with interest to date of retirement.

The total retirement allowance that would have been payable to the beneficiary had he not waived his contributions shall be used as the basis for the determination of any supplemental payment under the provisions of Section 14 (7) of this article.

Provided further that any desk officer or employee of either house of the General Assembly, who was receiving an annual salary as compensation for such employment as of February 1, 1961, and who previously served as a desk officer or employee of either house of the General Assembly and received per diem compensation for such previous service, shall be entitled to prior service credit equal to four years for any four-year term of a General Assembly during which such previous service was rendered.

*Notwithstanding any other provisions of this article, any member of the retirement system who had previously served as an elected or appointed official shall be entitled to receive credit for the period of such prior service upon making in a single payment, within such period of time as may be determined by the board of trustees, the contributions, with interest, which he would have paid on behalf of such service.*

**SEC. 2.** *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1971.*

Approved April 29, 1971

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CHAPTER 230

(Senate Bill 281)

**AN ACT** to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 124 of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Supplement), title "Health," subtitle "Practitioners of Medicine," providing that