

and shall not be entitled to receive any pension or retirement allowance from any other pension or retirement system if that pension or retirement allowance is supported wholly or in part by the State of Maryland, anything to the contrary notwithstanding, except benefits from social security. *Any person, employed during the period July 1, 1970 through June 30, 1972, who elected not to join the retirement system, must become a member on the two year anniversary date of his employment.* The rate of contributions of [the] such employee shall be determined by his age at the time he actually joins the system, and will not be reduced for reason of service prior to joining, provided, however, that any such employee may purchase credit for service before joining by paying the contributions due plus interest. Such purchase may be made at any time prior to retirement.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted, That Sections 192(1) and 198(6)(c) of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement), title "Public Education," subtitle "Chapter 17. Teachers' Retirement System," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:*

192.

The membership of this retirement system shall be composed as follows:

(1) All persons who shall become teachers after the date as of which the retirement system is established, except those specifically excluded under subsection (3) of this section, [may] shall become members of the retirement system [at any time within the first two years of his employment, but if he has not previously joined must become a member at the end of that period] as a condition of their employment, but this section shall not apply to veterans of World War II who are not eligible to become members of the retirement system because of some physical disability which disqualifies them for membership, and such veterans who have completed the courses of study required for teaching and have passed the required examinations shall be eligible for teaching positions in the State regardless of their ability to become members of the retirement system. *Any person, employed during the period July 1, 1970 through June 30, 1972, who elected not to join the retirement system, must become a member on the two year anniversary date of his employment.* The rate of contribution of [the] such employee shall be determined by his age at the time he actually joins the system, and will not be reduced for reason of service prior to joining, provided, however, that any such employee may purchase credit for service before joining by paying the contributions due plus interest. Such purchase may be made at any time prior to retirement.

198.

(6) (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 192, subsection (3) of this article, [any teacher who is employed by the City of Baltimore after December 12, 1966, and is not a member of the employees' retirement system of the City of Baltimore as of July 1, 1968, may elect prior to the completion of two years of such employment to become a member of the Teachers' Retirement Sys-