

service and again became teachers. However, any teacher whose board of education had granted him a leave of absence immediately before he left for military service shall be considered to have left the teaching profession for military service]. HOWEVER, MEMBERS SHALL NOT BE AWARDED THIS CREDIT IF THEY HAVE RECEIVED CREDIT FOR A PERIOD OF MILITARY SERVICE UNDER ANOTHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM, FOR WHICH RETIREMENT BENEFITS HAVE BEEN OR WILL BE RECEIVED BY THEM; HOWEVER, THIS EXCLUSION SHALL NOT APPLY TO ANY CREDIT PROVIDED THROUGH FEDERAL OLD AGE AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE (SOCIAL SECURITY), THE NATIONAL RAILROAD RETIREMENT ACT, OR TO ANY DISABILITY PAYMENTS FROM ANY PENSION OR RETIREMENT SYSTEM. Service rendered for the regular school year in any district shall be equivalent to one year's service.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section]] 88 of Article 65 - Militia, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 65 - Militia

88.

The rights and status of any person inducted into the land or naval forces of the United States for training and service pursuant to the act of Congress known as the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, or any subsequent acts of a similar nature, and any member of any reserve component of the land or naval forces of the United States on active duty or service within [said] THAT period or ordered or assigned to active duty or service within [said] THAT period, as well as any person who, within [said] THAT period, enlists in the armed forces of the United States, and who may be absent in [such] military service shall be as follows in any pension or retirement fund or system under the laws of the State of Maryland, or of the City of Baltimore or any other political subdivision of this State, including the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Maryland: During the period of [such] HIS absence, no such person or his estate shall have any right or be entitled to ordinary disability benefits, accidental disability benefits, death benefits, optional allowances or other disability or death benefits in any fund or system. Any such person, during such absence except as herein otherwise specified, shall retain his status and rights as a member of any such pension or retirement fund or system (a) if he does not withdraw any part of his accumulated contributions, and (b) if within one year from the time he is relieved from active duty or service