

HOWARD COUNTY

COUNCIL OF HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND, That this Act shall take effect sixty (60) days after enactment.

Approved February 5, 1974

Council Bill No. 2

AN ACT establishing payment of Retired Volunteer Firemen who have completed twenty-five (25) years of certified active service upon reaching the age of fifty (50).

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND, That new Section 1.402 be added to the Howard County Code, Title "Administration," subtitle "Retirement Plan," to read as follows:

SECTION 1.402 - PAYMENT OF RETIRED VOLUNTEER FIREMEN

THERE IS HEREBY ESTABLISHED A RETIREMENT PLAN TO AWARD QUALIFIED ACTIVE VOLUNTEER MEMBERS OF THE HOWARD COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT:

A. ELIGIBILITY

ANY MEMBER OF THE HOWARD COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT WHO IS PRESENTLY CERTIFIED AS AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER MEMBER, OR WHO SUBSEQUENTLY IS CERTIFIED AS AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER MEMBER, SHALL BE ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RETIREMENT PLAN.

THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY ARE:

(1) THE MEMBER MUST HAVE BEEN AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER MEMBER ON JULY 1, 1948, OR MUST HAVE JOINED A DEPARTMENT IN HOWARD COUNTY AND BECOME AN ACTIVE MEMBER SINCE JULY 1, 1948.

(2) THE MEMBER MUST MEET THE ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP TEST UNDER THE PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED HEREIN.

(3) CLASSIFICATION AS AN "ACTIVE" MEMBER BY AN INDIVIDUAL DEPARTMENT BY-LAWS IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO BE ELIGIBLE.

B. BENEFITS

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1974 AND THEREAFTER, ANY VOLUNTEER THAT HAS COMPLETED TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS OF CERTIFIED ACTIVE SERVICE WITHIN A HOWARD COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT