

COUNTY LOCAL LAWS

and establish a membership group for full-time employees and qualified part-time employees who fail to meet the medical standards required for membership in other groups and to set the contribution rate therefor; to allow transfer of members who were active members of another State or local retirement system within the State of Maryland at the time of appointment to a position otherwise qualified for membership and to provide a method for purchasing prior service credits; to establish the normal retirement date, normal mandatory retirement date and establish procedures for mandatory retirement date extensions for certain members; to delete provisions for crediting of service recognition factor; to extend the option period and provide clarification of retirement date for members who have transferred from one group to another; to clarify existing requirements for normal contribution rate and County accrual rate contributions and unfunded liability contributions; to clarify payment methods for purchase of credited past service as a fire alarm dispatcher or firefighter in Montgomery County; to establish a more equitable procedure for determining credited future service and "average final earnings" for qualified part-time members; to establish responsibility for unfunded accrued liability and for payment of monies necessary to purchase retirement credit while a member is in the military service; to redefine responsibility for establishing medical standards for County positions; to delete provisions for repayment of monies paid for purchase of military service credits in cases of administrative retirement and discontinued service; to clarify administrative procedures and to establish the period of the option to use compensatory leave and annual leave in payment for credited service; to provide for transfers between the County Retirement System and other jurisdictions without reciprocity agreements and to provide a time limit within which members may request transfers and arrange for payment of membership service; to clarify limitations on credited service for vesting or retirement purposes; to provide time limits for purchase of prior State and County service credits and to establish a method of payment for such credited service; to clarify existing procedures for determining the amount of pension at administrative retirement on or after elective early retirement date; to clarify status of vested or retired members upon appointment to a position covered under the County Retirement System; to provide the Retirement Hearing Board with decision-making powers regarding non-service connected disability retirement and service connected disability retirement; to provide for a review of the findings of medical examinations of disability pensioners by the Retirement Hearing Board and adjustment of disability payments by the County Personnel Board; to clarify procedures for adjustment or cessation of disability pension payments; to redefine procedures