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CHAPTER 619

(Senate Bill 1001)

AN ACT concerning

Drug Abuse Administration

FOR the purpose of transferring [[all]] <u>certain</u> employees of the Drug Abuse Administration who are presently in unclassified State positions to the State Merit System.

BY adding to

Article 43B - Comprehensive Drug Abuse Control and Rehabilitation

Section 1A(f)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 1A(f) be and it is hereby added to Article 43B — Comprehensive Drug Abuse Control and Rehabilitation, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article 43B - Comprehensive Drug Abuse Control and Rehabilitation

1A.

(F) ALL PERSONS WHO ARE, AS OF APRIL 1, 1976, EMPLOYEES BELOW THE LEVEL OF DIRECTOR OF THE DRUG ABUSE ADMINISTRATION, ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE MERIT SYSTEM IN THE OFFICE, POSITION, AND CLASSIFICATION WHICH THEY HOLD AS OF APRIL 1, 1976[[.]]; PROVIDED THAT THESE EMPLOYEES MEET THE ESTABLISHED MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS. THOSE INDIVIDUALS NOT MEETING THESE QUALIFICATIONS SHALL BE TRANSFERRED WITHOUT FURTHER EXAMINATION AT SUCH TIME AS THESE QUALIFICATIONS ARE MET, AND THEY ARE TO BE GRANTED RETROACTIVE CLASSIFIED SERVICE CPEDITS FOR TENURE FOR THEIR YEARS OF SERVICE IN UNCLASSIFIED POSITIONS [[AT THE DRUG ABUSE ADMINISTRATION. THESE EMPLOYEES ARE HEREBY CONFIRMED IN THE OFFICE, POSITION, AND CLASSIFICATION WHICH THEY HOLD AS OF APRIL 1, 1976 AS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE DRUG ABUSE ADMINISTRATION UNTIL THEY