supervision during the preceding one year (including any period during which he or she was not so employed due to no fault of his own) and (2) that he CR SHE is qualified as a highway maintenance person, then the Secretary of Personnel shall certify the name of the applicant to the State [Roads Commission] HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION as eligible for appointment as a highway maintenance person, and any person so appointed shall become a part of the classified service.

[(iii) All persons employed by the State Roads Commission in the classification of "highway maintenance person," as of June 1, 1961 shall become part of the classified service without further examination.]

38A.

(a) [The] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (B) AND (C) OF THIS SECTION AND NOTWITHSTANDING ANY CTHER LAW TO THE CONTRARY, THE Central Payroll Bureau in the office of the Comptroller of the Treasury shall handle and provide for the payment of all salaries and wages (including custody and maintenance of all supporting papers and records) for and to all officers and employees of the State or any agency thereof whose salaries or wages are paid from funds appropriated by the General Assembly, including officers or employees of the University of Maryland and the Department of Transportation, and all their offices, branches, and units. [This section prevails over anything to the contrary in § 15 of Article 77A, Article 94A, or elsewhere in the laws of this State, subject, however, to the provisions of subsections (b) and (c) hereof.]

SECTION 16. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Sections 1(7) and (10), and 3(4) of Article 73B — Pensions, of the Arnotated Code of Maryland (1970 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

## Article 73B - Persions

1.

The following words and phrases as used in this article, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context, shall have the following meanings:

- (7) "Service" shall mean service as employee paid for by the State, and service as a worker on county road systems in those counties where maintenance of roads is supervised by the State [Roads Commission] HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION.
- (10) "Creditable service" shall mean prior service plus membership service for which credit is allowable as provided in § 9 of this article. In the case of