

CONTRIBUTIONS REQUIRED TO BE MADE BY THE STATE ON BEHALF OF THE SERVICE OF THE MEMBER.

(C) THE COUNTY, OR BALTIMORE CITY, SHALL:

(I) DEDUCT THE APPROPRIATE CONTRIBUTION REQUIRED TO BE MADE BY THE MEMBER ON ACCOUNT OF THE SERVICE FROM THE COMPENSATION PAYABLE TO THE MEMBER; AND

(II) PAY THESE AMOUNTS TO THIS PENSION SYSTEM.

114. ELIGIBILITY SERVICE.

(1) EXCEPT AS HEREINAFTER PROVIDED, ALL SERVICE WITH THE STATE RENDERED BY AN EMPLOYEE ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 1980 AND BEFORE HIS RETIREMENT SHALL BE ELIGIBILITY SERVICE FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS PENSION SYSTEM. IF AN EMPLOYEE COMPLETES AT LEAST 700 HOURS OF SERVICE IN ANY FISCAL YEAR, HE SHALL BE CREDITED FOR A FULL YEAR OF ELIGIBILITY SERVICE. EXCEPT FOR THE PRORATING OF HOURS WORKED IN THE FIRST AND LAST YEARS, IF AN EMPLOYEE COMPLETES LESS THAN 700 HOURS OF SERVICE IN ANY FISCAL YEAR, HE MAY NOT RECEIVE ANY ELIGIBILITY SERVICE CREDIT FOR THAT YEAR. THERE SHALL BE A BREAK IN SERVICE WITH RESPECT TO ANY FISCAL YEAR AFTER THE YEAR IN WHICH AN EMPLOYEE FIRST BECOMES EMPLOYED DURING WHICH HE DOES NOT COMPLETE MORE THAN 350 HOURS OF SERVICE WITH THE STATE. ANY SERVICE RENDERED BEFORE A BREAK IN SERVICE THAT OCCURS BEFORE THE YEAR IN WHICH AN EMPLOYEE RETIRES, DIES, OR OTHERWISE TERMINATES HIS EMPLOYMENT OR BECOMES 62 YEARS OLD MAY NOT BE RECOGNIZED AS ELIGIBILITY SERVICE, UNTIL THE EMPLOYEE COMPLETES 1 YEAR OF ELIGIBILITY SERVICE FOLLOWING THE BREAK IN SERVICE. HOWEVER, IF AN EMPLOYEE WHO HAS NOT COMPLETED THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR A VESTED RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE INCURS A BREAK IN SERVICE IN WHICH THE NUMBER OF CONSECUTIVE 1-YEAR BREAKS IN SERVICE IS AT LEAST EQUAL TO THE AGGREGATE NUMBER OF YEARS OF ELIGIBILITY SERVICE RENDERED BEFORE THE BREAK IN SERVICE, EXCLUDING ANY YEARS OF ELIGIBILITY SERVICE DISREGARDED BECAUSE OF ANY PRIOR BREAK IN SERVICE, THE SERVICE RENDERED BEFORE THE BREAK IN SERVICE MAY NOT BE INCLUDED IN HIS ELIGIBILITY SERVICE. IF AN EMPLOYEE TERMINATES HIS EMPLOYMENT AND IS REEMPLOYED AFTER INCURRING A BREAK IN SERVICE, HIS SERVICE BEFORE THE BREAK IN SERVICE MAY NOT BE INCLUDED IN HIS ELIGIBILITY SERVICE, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.

(2) WITH RESPECT TO ANY PERSON WHO WAS EMPLOYED BY THE STATE ON DECEMBER 31, 1979, ELIGIBILITY SERVICE FOR SERVICE RENDERED BEFORE THAT DATE SHALL BE EQUAL TO THE CREDITABLE SERVICE RECOGNIZED THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1979 UNDER THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM AS IN EFFECT ON THAT DATE.

(3) IN THIS SECTION "SERVICE" MEANS SERVICE AS AN EMPLOYEE, WHETHER OR NOT AS AN EMPLOYEE AS DEFINED IN § 111 OF THIS SUBTITLE.