BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

    Article 73B - Pensions
    Section 11(11)(a) and 86(8)(a)
    Annotated Code of Maryland
    (1978 Replacement Volume and 1979 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

    Article 88B - State Police
    Section 53(11)
    Annotated Code of Maryland
    (1979 Replacement Volume and 1979 Supplement)

Preamble

Mrs. Daisy Alice Marsburn McGrath, 47, of Bowie, Maryland retired on July 1, 1977 after 20 years of service as a teacher in Maryland, and died eight days later. Under former Article 77, § 195(8) of the Annotated Code of Maryland death benefits or an allowance based on her retirement contributions could not be paid because Mrs. McGrath's death was within 30 days of her retirement.

Had Chapter 504 of the Acts of 1978 (Article 73B, § 86(8)) been in effect on the date of Mrs. McGrath's retirement, benefits could have been paid to her heirs under the Maryland State Teachers' Retirement System; now, therefore,

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the-Board-of-Trustees-of-the-Maryland-State Teachers¹-Retirement-System-shall--pay--to--Barbara--Laurene MeGrath--and--Brenda-Alyce-MeGrath-of-Bowie,-Maryland,-a-sum equivalent-to-the-death-benefits--or--allowance--they--would have--been--entitled--to-had-Chapter-504-of-the-Acts-of-1978 been-in-effect-on-the-date-of-the-retirement-of--Mrs,---Daisy Alice--Marsburn--MeGrath,--their--mother, section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 73B - Pensions

11.

(11) (a) (I) In lieu of the disability or service allowances payable under the aforesaid provisions, any member may, prior to the first retirement allowance payment normally due, elect a retirement allowance of equivalent actuarial value in one of the optional forms set out below. The election of the option shall be made on a form provided for that purpose and shall be filed with the board of trustees. If a member dies prior to the effective date of retirement, the election shall be void and of no effect, and