

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland read(s) as follows:

Article 73B - Pensions

11A.

(e) In no instance shall any retired member receive less than the benefits to which he would be entitled under the provisions of § 11 of this article; provided further that any member retired prior to July 1, 1973, shall in no instance, receive less benefits than he had received prior to such date. Any member who retired prior to July 1, 1958, with thirty or more years of service shall not receive benefits in any amount less than [\$5,000] \$7,000 per annum.

(e-1) Any member who retired subsequent to July 1, 1958, with 30 or more years of service, is eligible to receive a supplemental retirement allowance in accordance with the provisions of this section. Beginning January 1, 1979 and each year thereafter, the retirement system administration shall notify every member who retired after July 1, 1958, with 30 or more years of service and who is receiving less than [\$5,000] \$7,000 in annual retirement allowance, that the member may be eligible for the supplemental allowance. Such notification shall include an appropriate application form requiring the applicant to certify the annual amount of social security benefits received. The application form must be filed with the retirement system administration 30 days prior to the calendar year in which the supplemental allowance would apply. The administration shall determine if the member's social security benefits when combined with the member's retirement allowance computed without option, is less than [\$5,000] \$7,000. In the case the combined benefit without option is less than [\$5,000] \$7,000, the member shall receive a supplemental allowance in the amount of the difference.

86A.

(e) In no instance shall any retired member receive less than the benefits to which he would be entitled under the provisions of § 86 of this subtitle; provided further that any member retired prior to July 1, 1973, shall, in no instance, receive less benefits than he had received prior to such date. Any member who retired prior to July 1, 1958 with 30 or more years of service shall not receive benefits in any amount less than [\$5,000] \$7,000 per annum.

(f) Any member who retired subsequent to July 1, 1958, with 30 or more years of service, is eligible to receive a supplemental retirement allowance in accordance with the provisions of this section. Beginning January 1, 1979 and