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Senate Bill 685, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on June 1, 1982 accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 344.

Sincerely, Harry Hughes Governor

House Bill No. 479

AN ACT concerning

Pensions - Participation in the Optional Retirement Program

FOR the purpose of allowing certain members of the Employees' Retirement System and the Pension System for employees of the State of Maryland to participate in the Optional Retirement Program; and making certain corrective and technical changes.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 73B - Pensions Section 110(d), (e), (f), (i), and (k) Annotated Code of Maryland (1978 Replacement Volume and 1981 Supplement)

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

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- (d) Elections to participate in an optional retirement program shall be made as follows:
- (1) Eligible employees initially appointed on or after the effective date of the establishment of an optional retirement program shall elect (i) to join THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OR the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Maryland or on or after January 1, 1980 the PENSION SYSTEM FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND OR THE