

1. date the Board of Trustees approves the member's application to participate retroactively in the DROP; and

2. receipt by the Board of Trustees of any other information that the Board of Trustees requires to process payments under subparagraph (i) of this paragraph to the member, the designated beneficiary of the member, or the custodian of an eligible retirement plan.

(7) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, as of the first day of the month following the date the Board of Trustees approves the member's retroactive participation in the DROP, the Board of Trustees shall commence and continue payment of the normal service retirement allowance, including the cost-of-living adjustments as provided in Title 29, Subtitle 4, Part III of the State Personnel and Pensions Article, to the member as provided in §§ 26-401 and 26-402 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.

(ii) If a member dies before the Board of Trustees approves the member's application to participate retroactively in the DROP, the Board of Trustees shall pay 50% of the normal service retirement allowance, including the cost-of-living adjustments as provided in Title 29, Subtitle 4, Part III of the State Personnel and Pensions Article, to the beneficiary as provided in § 26-402 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.

SECTION 2. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2005.

Approved May 26, 2005.

CHAPTER 576

(House Bill 771)

AN ACT concerning

Children in ~~Need of Assistance~~ — Out-of-Home Placement Placements — Permanency Plans

FOR the purpose of altering certain options that may be included in a child's court-ordered permanency plan; altering certain options to be considered by a local department of social services in developing a permanency plan; and generally relating to permanency plans for certain children in ~~need of assistance who are in~~ out-of-home placements.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article — Courts and Judicial Proceedings
Section 3-823(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)