

FOR the purpose of requiring a county or municipal corporation in the State that establishes a public pension system on or after a certain date to adhere to certain principles with regard to the investment and management of certain public funds; providing that certain provisions of this Act may not be construed to affect the authority of the State or certain local jurisdictions over the budget for certain public pension plans; requiring the Board of Trustees of the State Retirement and Pension System and the governing bodies of certain local pension systems established before a certain date to certify certain information to the Joint Committee on Pensions on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the investment of funds by governing bodies of State and local pension systems.

BY adding to

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

Section 40–101 to be under the new title “Title 40. Operation of Retirement Plans”

Annotated Code of Maryland
(2004 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

TITLE 40. OPERATION OF RETIREMENT PLANS.

40–101.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, “LOCAL JURISDICTION” MEANS ANY COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN THE STATE.

(B) SUBJECT TO ANY OTHER PROVISION OF STATE OR FEDERAL LAW, A LOCAL JURISDICTION THAT ESTABLISHES A PUBLIC PENSION SYSTEM ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2005, IS REQUIRED TO ADHERE TO THE PRINCIPLES INCORPORATED IN THE UNIFORM MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS ACT THAT ADDRESS THE INVESTMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS FOR A PUBLIC PENSION SYSTEM.

(C) THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO AFFECT THE AUTHORITY OF THE LEGISLATIVE GOVERNING BODY OF A LOCAL JURISDICTION OVER THE BUDGET FOR A PUBLIC PENSION SYSTEM ESTABLISHED ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2005.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) In this section, “local system” means a county or municipal public pension system.

(b) (1) On or before July 1, 2006, the Board of Trustees for the State Retirement and Pension System and the governing body of any local system established before July 1, 2005, shall certify to the Joint Committee on Pensions that the plan provisions governing these public plans adhere to the principles incorporated