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(g) (2) If the medical board reports and certifies to the board of trustees that any disability beneficiary is engaged in or is able to engage in a gainful occupation paying more than the difference between his or her retirement allowance and his or her average final compensation plus \$3,000, and if the board of trustees concurs in the report, then the amount of the pension shall be reduced to an amount which, together with his or her annuity and the amount earnable by him or her, shall equal the amount of his or her average final compensation PLUS \$3,000. the beneficiary's earning capacity is later changed, the amount of his or her pension may be further modified, provided that the new pension may not exceed the amount of the pension originally granted nor an amount which, when added to the amount earnable by the beneficiary together with his or her annuity, equals the amount of his or her average final compensation PLUS \$3,000. A beneficiary restored to active service at a salary less than the average final compensation upon the basis of which he or she was retired shall not become a member of the retirement system until his or her salary is at least equal to such average final compensation. For the purposes of this paragraph, "retirement allowance" means the allowance payable without optional modification as provided in subsection (m) of this section. The allowed earnings of a disability pensioner shall be determined by the difference between his or her retirement allowance at the time of his or her retirement and his or her average final compensation.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

May 27, 1986

The Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin Speaker of the House of Delegates State House Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 338.

This bill clarifies the Board of Trustees of the Maryland State Retirement and Pension Systems authority to collect any benefit overpayment or payment made by mistake.

Senate Bill 157, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 13, 1986, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 338.