

(B) AN EMPLOYEE OR, WHILE RECEIVING AN ALLOWANCE UNDER THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND OR THE PENSION SYSTEM FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, AN EMPLOYEE'S SURVIVING SPOUSE:

(1) MAY ENROLL AND PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM; AND

(2) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, IS SUBJECT TO THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS UNDER THE PROGRAM AS PROVIDED FOR STATE EMPLOYEES.

(C) WHILE RECEIVING AN ALLOWANCE UNDER THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND OR THE PENSION SYSTEM FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, A FORMER EMPLOYEE OR A FORMER EMPLOYEE'S SURVIVING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD:

(1) MAY ENROLL AND PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE EMPLOYEES' HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM; AND

(2) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (D) OF THIS SECTION, IS SUBJECT TO THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS UNDER THE PROGRAM AS PROVIDED FOR RETIREES UNDER § 48B OF THIS SUBTITLE, WITH THE EMPLOYEE'S SERVICE WITH THE MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE BEING INCLUDED AS PART OF THE EMPLOYEE'S STATE SERVICE.

(D) FOR EACH PARTICIPANT UNDER THIS SECTION, THE MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE SHALL PAY TO THIS STATE AN EMPLOYER SHARE OF THE COSTS OF THE PROGRAM BASED ON THE STATE SUBSIDY ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

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(A) FOR AN EMPLOYEE OF THE MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND OR THE PENSION SYSTEM FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, THE MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE SHALL:

(1) PAY TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS OTHERWISE REQUIRED TO BE MADE BY THE STATE ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBER; AND

(2) DEDUCT FROM THE COMPENSATION PAYABLE TO THE MEMBER AND PAY TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES THE REQUIRED EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS.

(B) THE MARYLAND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICE SHALL COMPLY WITH THE DUTIES OF EMPLOYERS AND BE SUBJECT TO THE PENALTIES AS PROVIDED BY § 1-105 OF THIS ARTICLE.