- (b) Those employees who are transferred shall become classified SERVICE employees of the State [, subject to the provisions of the State Merit System Law under this article] and shall be placed in [that] THE position [which] THAT is comparable TO, or COMPARES most closely [compares] with, their former position, without further examination or qualification, and without diminution or loss of any benefits to which entitled prior to July 1, 1974. They shall be credited with the years of service rendered in Harford County for purposes of determining compensation rates, including longevity steps, and the basic rates for annual leave and sick leave.
- (c) Those employees who are transferred shall become members of the State Employees Pension System under Article 73B of this Code, and shall transfer all contributions as provided in Article 73B, § 1–403 of the Code.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly was Art. 64A, § 9J.

Former § 9J is not retained in the Code because it is apparently obsolete. However, it is transferred to the Session Laws to avoid any inadvertent substantive effect that its repeal might have on any employee.

The only changes are in style.

## [9J-1.] 7.

- (a) As of [the effective date of this act] JULY 1, 1977, any employees of Baltimore County who were performing parole and probation duties under the direction of the Director of Probation shall be transferred to the State Division of Parole and Probation, and the Division, on and after [the effective date of this act] THAT DATE, shall assume all of the duties and functions previously assigned to the employees of Baltimore County designated under this subsection, including the disposition of matters pending on that date.
- (b) Any employee transferred to the State [Merit System] CLASSIFIED SERVICE pursuant to this section shall be appointed without further examination or qualification. Each employee shall be placed in [that] THE classification [which] THAT is comparable to, or COMPARES most closely [compares] with, the employee's former position in duties and responsibilities.
- (B-1) Employees so transferred pursuant to this section may not suffer a diminution of salary or wages, accrued paid leave whether earned or granted, or seniority rights. Any increase in salary or wages granted subsequent to July 1, 1976, may be retained upon appointment to the classified service only if approved by the Secretary of Personnel. The Secretary of Personnel shall consider the monetary value of any and all other benefits, entitlements, services or prerogatives and, at [his] THE SECRETARY'S discretion and in consideration of the best interest of the classified service, may take such values or any portion thereof into consideration when establishing the rate of salary upon appointment. Once the rate of salary has been established upon appointment, the employee shall be entitled to the same benefits provided to classified SERVICE employees [established by Article 64A of the Code].