appointed to the [State Merit System] CLASSIFIED SERVICE under this section will be given credit thereunder for the years of service rendered in Prince George's County for the purposes of establishing retirement and death benefits, compensation rates, including longevity steps, and the basic rates for vacation and sick leave credit earnings and for purposes of calculating [his] THE EMPLOYEE'S rate of contribution into the State Employees' Retirement System. No employee who has been transferred from the Prince George's County division of air pollution control will receive any diminution in compensation solely as a result of the transfer and appointment.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly was Art. 64A, § 25D.

Former § 25D 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.

## [25E.] 25.

- (a) [The] AS OF JULY 1, 1978, Baltimore City employees of the local administration activity State of Maryland Medical Assistance Program are transferred to the State [Merit System] CLASSIFIED SERVICE.
- (b) Any employee transferred to the [State Merit System] CLASSIFIED SERVICE pursuant to this section shall be appointed without further examination or qualification. Persons who have not completed a probationary period with Baltimore City shall serve the normal probationary period upon transfer. Each employee shall be placed in [that] THE classification [which] THAT is comparable to, or COMPARES most closely [compares] with, the employees's former position in duties and responsibilities.

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, 1977, 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 interests 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].

(c) Those employees who are transferred shall become members of the State Employees' Retirement 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, § 25E.

Former § 25E 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.