

funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 1999, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act. Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1997.

Approved April 29, 1997.

CHAPTER 148
(Senate Bill 207)

AN ACT concerning

~~Maryland Transportation Authority Police Officers — Pensions and Retirement Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System — Membership~~ *Maryland Transportation Authority Police Officers — Pensions and Retirement Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System — Membership*

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain Maryland Transportation Authority police officers ~~and certain Maryland Port Administration police officers~~ to become members of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; providing for certain exceptions; ~~requiring individuals for whom membership in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System is optional to apply for membership by filing a written application with the State Retirement Agency on or before a certain date; prohibiting those individuals from becoming members on or after a certain date;~~ and generally relating to membership of ~~Maryland Transportation Authority police officers~~ in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article — State Personnel and Pensions
Section 26-201 and 26-202
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1994 Volume and 1996 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article — State Personnel and Pensions
Section 26-203.1
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1994 Volume and 1996 Supplement)

~~BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,~~