

~~(b) This subtitle does not apply to a Maryland Transportation Authority police officer OR A MARYLAND PORT ADMINISTRATION POLICE OFFICER who transferred from the Employees' Retirement System to the Employees' Pension System on or after December 1, 1996.~~

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~~(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, an individual described in § 26-201 of this subtitle is a member of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System as a condition of employment.~~

~~(b) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, membership in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System is optional for an individual described in § 26-201 of this subtitle:~~

~~(i) who was employed by the Department of Natural Resources on July 1, 1990 and who elects membership on or before December 31, 1997;~~

~~(ii) who was employed by the Maryland Investigative Services Unit on June 30, 1995 and who elects membership on or before December 31, 1997; [or]~~

~~(iii) who was employed by the Maryland Transportation Authority on June 30, 1997 and who elects membership on or before December 31, 1997; OR~~

~~(iv) WHO WAS EMPLOYED BY THE MARYLAND PORT ADMINISTRATION ON JUNE 30, 1998 AND WHO ELECTS MEMBERSHIP ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 1998.~~

~~(2) To elect to be a member of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System an individual shall file a written application with the State Retirement Agency.~~

~~(3) If an individual does not elect membership during the applicable period specified under paragraph (1) of this subsection, the individual may not become a member of the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System.~~

~~SECTION 2. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take effect July 1, 1997.~~

~~SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect July 1, 1998.~~

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