elected or appointed officials of the county that is derived from employer contributions; requiring certain custodians of retirement records in the county to disclose certain information regarding employee contributions of certain retired or current officials of the county, if the officials consent to the disclosure; requiring custodians of retirement records in the county to maintain a list of officials of the county who consent to make certain information available; and generally relating to the disclosure in Anne Arundel County of certain retirement records under the Maryland access to public records law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 10-616(g)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - State Government

10-616.

- (g) (1) Subject to paragraphs (2) through (6) (7) of this subsection, a custodian shall deny inspection of a retirement record for an individual.
 - (2) A custodian shall permit inspection:
 - (i) by the person in interest;
 - (ii) by the appointing authority of the individual;
- (iii) after the death of the individual, by a beneficiary, personal representative, or other person who satisfies the administrators of the retirement and pension systems that the person has a valid claim to the benefits of the individual; and
- (iv) by any law enforcement agency in order to obtain the home address of a retired employee of the agency when contact with a retired employee is documented to be necessary for official agency business.
- (3) A custodian shall permit inspection by the employees of a county unit that, by county law, is required to audit the retirement records for current or former employees of the county. However, the information obtained during the inspection is confidential, and the county unit and its employees may not disclose any information that would identify a person in interest.
- (4) On request, a custodian shall state whether the individual receives a retirement or pension allowance.
- (5) A custodian shall permit release of information as provided in § 21-504 or § 21-505 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.