SECTION 2. 2. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2001.

Approved May 18, 2001.

CHAPTER 599

(Senate Bill 389)

AN ACT concerning

Employees' and Teachers' Retirement System - Average Final Compensation

FOR the purpose of altering the method of calculating a member's average final compensation; establishing a method of calculating the average final compensation of certain part-time employees; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the average final compensation of members of the Employees' and Teachers' Retirement System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Personnel and Pensions

Section 20-205 and 22-221

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

Article - State Personnel and Pensions

20 - 205.

- · (a) This section applies only to:
 - (1) the Employees' Pension System;
 - (2) the Local Fire and Police System;
 - (3) the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System; and
 - (4) the Teachers' Pension System.
- (b) (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, "BREAK IN SERVICE" MEANS A PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT IN WHICH THE MEMBER'S EMPLOYER DID NOT:
- (I) DEDUCT THE MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE COMPENSATION OF THE MEMBER; OR
 - (II) REPORT THE HOURS WORKED BY THE MEMBER.
- (2) (I) For the purpose of computing benefits under this Division II, the average final compensation of a member equals the average annual earnable