

May 16, 2002

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.  
President of the Senate  
State House  
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 309 – Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System – Membership.

This bill provides State employees who were previously eligible for Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System membership, but elected not to transfer, with an additional transfer opportunity through December 31, 2002.

House Bill 216, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 309.

Sincerely,  
Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

**Senate Bill No. 309**

AN ACT concerning

**Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System – Membership**

FOR the purpose of providing certain law enforcement officers with the option to participate in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the election for certain law enforcement officers to participate in the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
Article – State Personnel and Pensions  
Section 26–202  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1997 Replacement Volume and 2001 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**

26–202.

(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.