

31-202.

(A) [Subject] ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2004, AND SUBJECT to § 31-203 of this subtitle, the governmental units that are eligible to participate in the Local Fire and Police System are:

- (1) counties; and
- (2) municipal corporations.

(B) A GOVERNMENTAL UNIT THAT IS NOT PARTICIPATING IN THE LOCAL FIRE AND POLICE SYSTEM ON DECEMBER 31, 2004, IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LOCAL FIRE AND POLICE SYSTEM.

31-203.

(a) If at least 60% of the law enforcement officers of an eligible governmental unit who are members of a local pension system petition to become members of the Local Fire and Police System ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2004, the legislative body of the eligible governmental unit may approve the participation of these law enforcement officers in the Local Fire and Police System as though the local pension system were not in operation.

(b) If at least 60% of the [fire fighters] FIREFIGHTERS of an eligible governmental unit who are members of a local pension system petition to become members of the Local Fire and Police System ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2004, the legislative body of the eligible governmental unit may approve the participation of these [fire fighters] FIREFIGHTERS in the Local Fire and Police System as though the local pension system were not in operation.

31-205.

(a) If an eligible governmental unit approves participation in the Local Fire and Police System ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2004, the operation of the local pension system with respect to the law enforcement officers or [fire fighters] FIREFIGHTERS terminates on the effective date.

37-201.

(b) This title does not apply to:

- (1) a transfer to the Judges' Retirement System of the State of Maryland;
- (2) a transfer to or from the Legislative Pension Plan of the State of Maryland except to the extent provided by the Joint Resolution submitted to the General Assembly by the General Assembly Compensation Commission under Article III, § 15 of the Maryland Constitution;
- (3) a transfer from the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Maryland to the Employees' Pension System of the State of Maryland [under § 22-212 or § 22-213 of this article] ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2004;