generally relating to conforming the State Retirement and Pension System to federal tax legislation.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – State Personnel and Pensions Section 21–313, 21–601(b), (e), and (d), and 21–602 Annotated Code of Maryland (2004 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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(2004 Replacement Volume and 2006 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

21-313.

- (a) In this section, "approved employer" means a participating employer who [has received a favorable ruling from the Internal Revenue Service] ADOPTS A RESOLUTION AND FOLLOWS PROCEDURES AS PRESCRIBED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES for an employer pickup program in accordance with § 414(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (b) The State or other approved employer of a member shall pick up, within the meaning of § 414(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, the member contributions required by this Division II.
 - (c) The member contributions under subsection (b) of this section:
- (1) are designated as employee contributions to be picked up by the employing unit within the meaning of § 414(h)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code and shall be treated as employer contributions in determining tax treatment under that section;
- (2) shall reduce the compensation of the member in an amount that equals the member contribution picked up by the employer;
- (3) may not be included as gross income of the member until the pickup amounts are distributed or made available to the member;