- 2. the Board of Trustees shall pay the retiree an allowance as provided in § 21-404(d)(2) of this subtitle.
- (f) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, under Option 6, when a retiree dies, the Board of Trustees shall pay 50% of the retiree's reduced allowance to the designated beneficiary for the designated beneficiary's life.
 - (2) If the designated beneficiary dies before the retiree, then:
- (i) [from] BEGINNING IN THE MONTH FOLLOWING the date of death of the designated beneficiary, the Board of Trustees shall pay the retiree the basic allowance; or
- (ii) 1. the retiree may designate a new beneficiary in accordance with § 21-404 of this subtitle; and
- 2. the Board of Trustees shall pay the retiree an allowance as provided in § 21-404(d)(2) of this subtitle.

22 212.1.

(A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO:

- (1) IS A MEMBER OF THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM-ON JUNE 30, 2007; AND
- (2) IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM UNDER TITLE 30 OF THIS ARTICLE.
- (B) AN-INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION CONTINUES TO BE A MEMBER OF THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL ELECTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM UNDER TITLE 30 OF THIS ARTICLE ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2008.

22-303.1.

- (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a member may not purchase service credit under this title if the member is separated from employment.
- (b) A member WHO IS SEPARATED FROM EMPLOYMENT may purchase service credit under this title [if the member is on] FOR a leave of absence approved by the Board of Trustees under regulations that apply to all members, IF THE