

(2) (I) TRUSTEES WHO ARE MEMBERS OR RETIREES OF THE EMPLOYEES' AND TEACHERS' SYSTEMS SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE MEMBERS AND THE RETIREES OF THEIR RESPECTIVE SYSTEMS FOR 4-YEAR TERMS. ELECTIONS SHALL BE CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

(II) TRUSTEES WHO ARE MEMBERS BUT ARE NOT RETIREES OF THE EMPLOYEES' OR TEACHERS' SYSTEMS AT THE TIME OF THEIR ELECTION MAY NOT BE PREVENTED FROM COMPLETING THEIR TERMS OF OFFICE IF, DURING THOSE TERMS, THEY BECOME RETIREES OF THE SYSTEM OF WHICH THEY WERE MEMBERS AT THE TIME OF ELECTION.

(III) IF A TRUSTEE BECOMES A RETIREE OF EITHER THE EMPLOYEES' OR TEACHERS' SYSTEMS, THE TRUSTEE MAY NOT BE REELECTED IF THE OTHER ELECTED TRUSTEE IS ALREADY A RETIREE OF THOSE SYSTEMS.

(3) TRUSTEES WHO ARE MEMBERS OR RETIREES OF THE STATE POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR A 4-YEAR TERM.

(4) THE TRUSTEE REPRESENTING THE INTERESTS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS PARTICIPATING IN THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE PENSION SYSTEM FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR FOR A 4-YEAR TERM.

(5) TRUSTEES REPRESENTING THE GENERAL PUBLIC SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR WITH THE ADVICE AND CONSENT OF THE SENATE FOR STAGGERED 4-YEAR TERMS.

COMMITTEE NOTE: This subsection formerly appeared as Art. 73B, § 159(2).

The term "retirees" is substituted for "beneficiaries" to clarify that retirees, not their beneficiaries, may serve on the Board.

The changes in paragraph (2)(iii) of this subsection are made to clarify when a trustee who is retired from the employees' or teachers' systems may not be reelected.

The only other changes are stylistic.

(C) IF A VACANCY OCCURS IN THE OFFICE OF A TRUSTEE, THE VACANCY SHALL BE FILLED FOR THE UNEXPIRED TERM IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE OFFICE WAS PREVIOUSLY FILLED.

COMMITTEE NOTE: This subsection formerly appeared as Art. 73B, § 159(3).