

COMMITTEE NOTE: This subsection is new language that is standard introductory language for definition sections.

(B) "CREDITABLE SERVICE" MEANS SERVICE RECOGNIZED FOR COMPUTING THE AMOUNT OF ANY BENEFIT UNDER THIS PENSION SYSTEM.

COMMITTEE NOTE: This subsection is new language that is identical to the definition of "creditable service" in § 4-101(b) of this article.

(C) "EARNABLE COMPENSATION" MEANS THE NORMAL MONTHLY COMPENSATION THAT IS PAID TO ANY EMPLOYEE FOR WORKING THE NORMAL TIME IN THE EMPLOYEE'S POSITION AND THAT IS EQUAL TO ONE-TWELFTH OF THE EMPLOYEE'S ANNUAL SALARY RATE, INCLUDING THE MONTHLY PICKUP CONTRIBUTION, IF ANY, PROVIDED FOR IN § 1-302(F)(2) OF THIS ARTICLE.

COMMITTEE NOTE: This subsection is new language that is identical to the definition of "earnable compensation" in § 4-101(c) of this article.

(D) "ELIGIBILITY SERVICE" MEANS SERVICE RECOGNIZED FOR DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR BENEFITS UNDER THIS PENSION SYSTEM.

COMMITTEE NOTE: This subsection is new language that is identical to the definition of "eligibility service" in § 4-101(d) of this article.

(E) "LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER" MEANS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSIONED AS A NATURAL RESOURCES POLICE OFFICER OR OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER BY THE SECRETARY OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

COMMITTEE NOTE: This subsection is new language to conform this title more closely with other titles of this article.

(F) "PENSION SYSTEM" MEANS THE NATURAL RESOURCES LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' PENSION SYSTEM.

COMMITTEE NOTE: This subsection is new language to clarify the use of the term "pension system" throughout this title and to conform this title to other titles of this article.

(G) "SOCIAL SECURITY INTEGRATION LEVEL" MEANS, WITH RESPECT TO THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH A MEMBER RETIRES OR OTHERWISE TERMINATES EMPLOYMENT, THE AVERAGE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF EARNINGS FOR WHICH OLD-AGE AND SURVIVORS BENEFITS WOULD BE PROVIDED UNDER TITLE II OF THE FEDERAL SOCIAL SECURITY ACT FOR AN EMPLOYEE 65 YEARS OLD IN THAT CALENDAR YEAR, COMPUTED AS THOUGH FOR EACH YEAR BEFORE THAT CALENDAR YEAR ANNUAL EARNINGS ARE AT LEAST EQUAL TO THE