

CHAPTER 98

(House Bill 933)

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission Park Police -
Workers' Compensation - Lyme Disease Presumption.**

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FOR the purpose of applying the occupational disease presumption under the workers' compensation law to park police officers employed by the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC) who contract Lyme disease under certain circumstances; providing that a certain presumption only applies for a certain period of time under certain circumstances; providing that park police officers who are eligible for benefits under this Act shall receive the benefits in addition to certain retirement benefits, subject to a certain adjustment; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to the occupational disease presumption for Lyme disease under the workers' compensation law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article - Labor and Employment
Section 9-503(d) and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1999 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Labor and Employment

9-503.

(d) (1) A paid law enforcement employee of the Department of Natural Resources who is a covered employee under § 9-207 of this title AND A PARK POLICE OFFICER OF THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION is presumed to have an occupational disease that was suffered in the line of duty and is compensable under this title if the employee:

[(1)] (I) is suffering from Lyme disease; and