

employment by Baltimore City to employment by the State; generally relating to transfer of those employees to State service; ~~and making this Act an emergency measure.~~

BY adding to

Article 64A - Merit System  
Section 25F  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1972 Replacement Volume and 1978 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That section(s) of the Annotated Code of Maryland be repealed, amended, or enacted to read as follows:

Article 64A - Merit System

25F.

(A) AS OF MARCH 15, 1979, OR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT, WHICHEVER DATE IS LATER, ELEVATOR INSPECTORS EMPLOYED IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BY THE CITY OF BALTIMORE SHALL BECOME EMPLOYEES OF THE DIVISION OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATION AND BE UNDER THE STATE MERIT SYSTEM.

(B) ANY EMPLOYEE TRANSFERRED TO THE STATE MERIT SYSTEM PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE APPOINTED WITHOUT FURTHER EXAMINATION OR QUALIFICATION. PERSONS WHO HAVE NOT COMPLETED A PROBATIONARY PERIOD WITH BALTIMORE CITY SHALL SERVE THE NORMAL PROBATIONARY PERIOD UPON TRANSFER. EACH EMPLOYEE SHALL BE PLACED IN THAT CLASSIFICATION WHICH IS COMPARABLE TO, OR MOST CLOSELY COMPARES WITH, THE EMPLOYEE'S FORMER POSITION IN DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

EMPLOYEES SO TRANSFERRED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION MAY NOT SUFFER A DIMINUTION OF SALARY OR WAGES, ACCRUED PAID LEAVE WHETHER EARNED OR GRANTED, OR SENIORITY RIGHTS. ANY INCREASE IN SALARY OR WAGES GRANTED SUBSEQUENT TO MARCH 15, 1979, MAY BE RETAINED UPON APPOINTMENT TO THE CLASSIFIED SERVICE ONLY IF APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF PERSONNEL. THE SECRETARY OF PERSONNEL SHALL CONSIDER THE MONETARY VALUE OF ANY AND ALL OTHER BENEFITS, ENTITLEMENTS, SERVICES OR PREROGATIVES AND, AT HIS DISCRETION AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CLASSIFIED SERVICE MAY TAKE SUCH VALUES OR ANY PORTION THEREOF INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF SALARY UPON APPOINTMENT. ONCE THE RATE OF SALARY HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED UPON APPOINTMENT, THE EMPLOYEE SHALL BE ENTITLED TO THE SAME BENEFITS PROVIDED TO CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES ESTABLISHED BY ARTICLE 64A OF THE CODE.

(C) THOSE EMPLOYEES WHO ARE TRANSFERRED SHALL BECOME MEMBERS OF THE STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNDER ARTICLE 73B OF THIS CODE, AND SHALL TRANSFER ALL CONTRIBUTIONS AS PROVIDED IN § 32A OF ARTICLE 73B.