

(H) -- CONTRIBUTIONS -- SHALL -- BE -- DEDUCTED -- FROM -- THE -- COMPENSATION -- OF -- MEMBERS:

(1) -- IN -- ACCORDANCE -- WITH -- THE -- PROVISIONS -- OF -- § -- 122 -- OF -- THIS -- ARTICLE; -- OR

(2) -- FOR -- MEMBERS -- WHO -- HAVE -- TRANSFERRED -- FROM -- THE -- EMPLOYEES' -- RETIREMENT -- SYSTEM -- AND -- HAD -- ELECTED -- TO -- RECEIVE -- BENEFITS -- IN -- ACCORDANCE -- WITH -- THE -- PROVISIONS -- OF -- § -- 11B -- OF -- THIS -- ARTICLE; -- IN -- ACCORDANCE -- WITH -- THE -- PROVISIONS -- OF -- § -- 11B -- OF -- THIS -- ARTICLE.

(I) -- THE -- GENERAL -- ADMINISTRATION, -- FUNDING, -- AND -- RESPONSIBILITY -- FOR -- THE -- PROPER -- OPERATION -- OF -- THIS -- PENSION -- SYSTEM -- IS -- VESTED -- IN -- THE -- BOARD -- OF -- TRUSTEES -- FOR -- MARYLAND -- STATE -- RETIREMENT -- AND -- PENSION -- SYSTEMS. -- THE -- PROPER -- OPERATION -- OF -- THIS -- PENSION -- SYSTEM -- SHALL -- BE -- THAT -- AS -- PROVIDED -- FOR -- THE -- OPERATION -- OF -- THE -- PENSION -- SYSTEM -- FOR -- THE -- EMPLOYEES -- OF -- THE -- STATE -- OF -- MARYLAND.

(A) (1) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER" MEANS A PERSON CERTIFIED BY THE MARYLAND POLICE TRAINING COMMISSIONER AS A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.

(3) (I) "LOCAL PENSION SYSTEM" MEANS A RETIREMENT OR PENSION SYSTEM OF A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AT THE TIME OF ELECTION BY THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PENSION SYSTEM.

(II) "LOCAL PENSION SYSTEM" INCLUDES THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND AND THE PENSION SYSTEM FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND IF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION PARTICIPATES UNDER §§ 163 THROUGH 170 OF THIS ARTICLE.

(4) "MUNICIPAL CORPORATION" MEANS A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 23A, § 9 OF THE CODE.

(B) (1) ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 1989, IF A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION ELECTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PENSION SYSTEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 157C(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE, ANY PERSON WHO BECOMES A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION AFTER THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION BEGINS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS SYSTEM SHALL BECOME A MEMBER OF THIS PENSION SYSTEM AS A CONDITION OF EMPLOYMENT.

(2) MEMBERSHIP IN THIS PENSION SYSTEM SHALL BE OPTIONAL FOR ANY PERSON EMPLOYED AS A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER ON THE DATE ANY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION BEGINS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS SYSTEM.

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