

(II) IS NOT BASED ON A CLAIM THAT OCCURRED MORE THAN 3 YEARS BEFORE THE ANNIVERSARY DATE OF THE POLICY ON WHICH THE PROPOSED CANCELLATION WOULD TAKE EFFECT; AND

(III) IS OTHERWISE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBTITLE.

[(3)](4) [Paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection do] THIS SUBSECTION DOES not apply to a claim involving conviction of the insured or applicant for fraud or arson.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October ~~July~~ October 1, 2002.

May 16, 2002.

The Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr.
Speaker of the House
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 1287 – Employees' Pension System – Participating Governmental Units – Contributory Pension Benefit.

This bill provides participating governmental units that participate in the State Retirement and Pension System with an additional window of opportunity to transfer their employees from the pre-1998 Employees' Pension System to the enhanced, contributory Employees' Pension System benefit structure. This window would extend from the effective date of the bill to December 31, 2002.

Senate Bill 868, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1287.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

House Bill No. 1287

AN ACT concerning

**Employees' Pension System – Participating Governmental Units –
Contributory Pension Benefit**

FOR the purpose of allowing the employees of certain participating governmental units who are members of the Employees' Pension System to become subject to a certain contributory pension benefit that alters the benefits those members receive and requires a certain member contribution; authorizing the purchase of service credit under certain circumstances; requiring certain participating