

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 442 – *Deferred Retirement Option Program Participants – Application of Line of Duty Disability Benefits*.

This bill limits the circumstances under which retirees of the State Police Retirement System or the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System, that are participating in the Deferred Retirement Option Program, may apply for line of duty disability retirements.

Senate Bill 422, 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 442.

Sincerely,

Governor

House Bill 442

AN ACT concerning

Deferred Retirement Option Program Participants – Application of Line of Duty Disability Benefits

FOR the purpose of limiting the circumstances under which certain retirees of the State Police Retirement System or the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System who are participating in the Deferred Retirement Option Program may apply for certain disability retirements; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to retirees receiving a line of duty disability retirement benefit while participating in the Deferred Retirement Option Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – State Personnel and Pensions
Section 24–401.1(k), 26–401.1(k), and 29–111
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2004 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 – State Personnel and Pensions