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COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2021, Legislative Day No. 18

Bill No. 79-21

Introduced by Ms. Lacey, Chair
(by request of the County Executive)

By the County Council, September 20, 2021

Introduced and first read on September 20, 2021
Public Hearing set for and held on October 18, 2021
Bill Expires December 24, 2021

By Order: Laura Corby, Administrative Officer

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Pensions – Deferred Retirement Option Program – Term
2 of Participation Period

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4 FOR the purpose of exempting Battalion Chiefs in the Fire Service Retirement Plan from
5 the requirement for approval of the sixth year of DROP participation; and generally
6 relating to pensions.

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8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments: § 5-1-506(b)
9 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)

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11 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,*
12 That Section(s) of the Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended) read as follows:

ARTICLE 5. PENSIONS

TITLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

5-1-506. Participation period; mandatory retirement upon expiration.

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20 (b) **Term of participation period.** The initial term of a DROP participation period is
21 three years. The DROP participation period may be extended by no more than three
22 additional one-year terms for all participants who qualify for participation in DROP under
23 § 5-1-503. A DROP participant shall file an election for each extension on the form
24 required by the Personnel Officer no fewer than 30 days before the end of the current term.
25 Failure of a DROP participant to file a timely election for an extension results in the


EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law.
[[Brackets]] indicate matter stricken from existing law.
Underlining indicates amendment to a bill.

1 expiration of the DROP participation period at the end of the current term. A participant
2 who is a member of the Detention Officers' and Deputy Sheriffs' Retirement Plan must
3 have the approval of the appointing authority to extend the DROP participation period
4 beyond the initial term and to continue employment with the County. A participant of the
5 Fire Service Retirement Plan, OTHER THAN A BATTALION CHIEF, or of the Police Service
6 Retirement Plan who is in the classification of Police Captain, Police Major, Policy Deputy
7 Chief, or Police Chief must have the approval of the appointing authority to extend the
8 DROP participation period beyond the fifth year.


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10 SECTION 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Ordinance shall take effect 45 days
11 from the date it becomes law.

READ AND PASSED this 18th day of October, 2021


By Order:


Laura Corby
Administrative Officer

PRESENTED to the County Executive for his approval this 19th day of October, 2021


Laura Corby
Administrative Officer

APPROVED AND ENACTED this 20th day of October, 2021


Steuart Pittman
County Executive

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 4, 2021

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF
BILL NO. 79-21 THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH IS RETAINED IN THE FILES
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.


Laura Corby
Administrative Officer