

# FINAL

## COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2022, Legislative Day No. 6

Bill No. 27-22

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

and by Mr. Pruski, Ms. Rodvien, and Ms. Pickard

By the County Council, March 7, 2022

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Introduced and first read on March 7, 2022  
Public Hearing set for and held on April 4, 2022  
Bill Expires June 10, 2022

By Order: Laura Corby, Administrative Officer

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### A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Pensions – Contingent Annuitant – Fire and Police Service  
2 Retirement Plans – Same Sex Marriage

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4 FOR the purpose of allowing modification of the contingent annuitant election for certain  
5 retirees in the Fire and Police Pension Plans entering into same sex marriages with the  
6 contingent annuitant; and generally relating to pensions.

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8 BY adding: § 5-1-408(f)  
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:

### 13 ARTICLE 5. PENSIONS

### 14 TITLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

### 15 16 17 18 **5-1-408. Contingent annuitant.**

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20 (F) **Same sex marriage to contingent annuitant.** IF A PARTICIPANT IN THE FIRE  
21 SERVICE RETIREMENT PLAN OR THE POLICE SERVICE RETIREMENT PLAN RETIRED BEFORE  
22 JANUARY 1, 2013, AND ELECTED THE CONTINGENT ANNUITANT OPTION NAMING A  
23 MEMBER OF THE SAME SEX AS THE CONTINGENT ANNUITANT, RESULTING IN A

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law.  
[[Brackets]] indicate matter deleted from existing law.  
Captions and taglines in **bold** in this bill are catchwords and are not law.

1 REDUCTION OF THE PARTICIPANT'S PENSION BENEFIT, AND, ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1,  
2 2013, THE PARTICIPANT MARRIED THE NAMED CONTINGENT ANNUITANT, THEN:

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4 (1) THE PARTICIPANT'S PENSION BENEFIT SHALL BE RESTORED TO THE FULL  
5 BENEFIT; AND

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7 (2) THE PARTICIPANT SHALL BE ENTITLED TO A LUMP SUM PAYMENT OF THE  
8 AMOUNT BY WHICH BENEFITS WERE REDUCED BETWEEN THE DATE OF RETIREMENT AND  
9 JANUARY 1, 2023.

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

READ AND PASSED this 4<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022

By Order:



Laura Corby  
Administrative Officer

PRESENTED to the County Executive for his approval this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022



Laura Corby  
Administrative Officer

APPROVED AND ENACTED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022



Steuart Pittman  
County Executive

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 29, 2022

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF  
BILL NO. 27-22 THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH IS RETAINED IN THE FILES  
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.



Laura Corby  
Administrative Officer