

FINAL

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2022, Legislative Day No. 12

Bill No. 61-22

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

By the County Council, June 6, 2022

Introduced and first read on June 6, 2022
Public Hearing set for and held on July 5, 2022
Bill Expires September 9, 2022

By Order: Laura Corby, Administrative Officer

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Pensions – Deferred Retirement Option Program – Fire
2 Service Retirement Plan

3
4 FOR the purpose of modifying the eligibility for the sixth year of participation in DROP
5 for certain participants in the Fire Service Retirement Plan; and generally relating to
6 pensions.

7
8 BY repealing and reenacting: § 5-1-506(b)
9 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)

10
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

13 14 15 16 17 18 **5-1-506. Participation period; mandatory retirement upon expiration.**

19
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.
Captions and taglines in **bold** in this bill are catchwords and are not law.

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]] WHO IS IN THE
6 CLASSIFICATION OF FIRE DIVISION CHIEF, FIRE DEPUTY CHIEF, FIRE ASSISTANT CHIEF OR
7 FIRE CHIEF, or of the Police Service Retirement Plan who is in the classification of Police
8 Captain, Police Major, Policy Deputy Chief, or Police Chief must have the approval of the
9 appointing authority to extend the DROP participation period [[beyond the fifth year]] TO
10 A SIXTH YEAR.


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

READ AND PASSED this 5th day of July, 2022

By Order:


Laura Corby
Administrative Officer

PRESENTED to the County Executive for his approval this 6th day of July, 2022


Laura Corby
Administrative Officer

APPROVED AND ENACTED this 14th day of July, 2022


Steuart Pittman
County Executive

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 28, 2022

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF
BILL NO. 61-22 THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH IS RETAINED IN THE FILES
OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.


Laura Corby
Administrative Officer