COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND LEGISLATIVE SESSION DAY 2017-08

BILL NO. 2017-11

Title of Bill: Public Safety Pension Plan - 25 Years of Service - Contribution Waiver

Synopsis: A Bill to approve an amendment to the Cecil County Pension Plan for Public Service Employees to provide that participants with 25 years or more of creditable service will not be required to make any further contributions.

ntroduced by: Council President on behalf of the County Executive
ntroduced, read first time and ordered posted on: April 18, 2017
Public hearing scheduled for: May 16, 2017 at: 7:00 p.m.
Consideration scheduled on: <u>June 6, 2017</u>
By: Council Manager
Public Hearing
Notice of time and place of public hearing and title of Bill have been posted by at the County Administration Building, 200 Chesapeake Blvd., Elkton and having been published according to the Charten on, a public hearing was held on, and concluded on
By: Council Manager

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Explanation:

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WHEREAS, the County has established a defined benefit pension plan for its full-time public safety employees who are paid in accordance with the County's Public Safety Pay Plan known as "The Cecil County Pension Plan for Public Safety Employees" (the "Plan") effective July 1, 2002, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the County recently received a favorable determination letter with respect to the Plan from the Internal Revenue Service, which favorable determination was made on the condition that the County adopt an amendment to Section 6.5(b)(iii) of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County also wishes to amend Section 3.1(h) of the Plan to provide for certain procedures to be followed in connection with the purchase of service by Plan participants at retirement; and

WHEREAS, Section 11.1(a) of the Plan provides that the County may, at any time, by legislation enacted in accordance with the Charter, modify or amend the Plan in whole or in part; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 11.1(a) of the Plan, the County wishes to approve such amendments to the Plan, as more particularly described herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND, as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Seventh Amendment to the Plan attached to this Act as <u>Exhibit A</u> is hereby approved.

Section 2. The provisions of this Act are severable, and if any provision, sentence, clause, section or part hereof is held to be illegal, invalid or unconstitutional or inapplicable to any person or circumstances, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections, or parts of this Act or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Act would have been passed if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, sentence, clause, section or part had not been included herein, and if the person or circumstances to which this Act or any part hereof are inapplicable had been specifically exempted therefrom.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect 60 calendar days from the date that it becomes law.

CERTIFICATION

I, HEREBY CERTIFY that the above Bill was posted for the public on the public bulletin board with the date, time and location of the public hearing meeting, copies were made available for the public, a copy was distributed to the press, and copy was made available on the Cecil County website.

BY: Council Manager