# COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND Legislative Session 2014, Legislative Day No. <u>14</u>

#### Bill No. <u>51-14</u>

# Mrs. <u>Cathy Bevins</u>, Chair By Request of County Executive

By the County Council, September 2, 2014

### A BILL ENTITLED

## AN ACT concerning

Employees Retirement System – Purchase of Credit for Service

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain members of the Employees Retirement System to purchase credit for service before joining the retirement system under certain circumstances; requiring the member to provide notice of intent by a certain date; requiring the member to provide certain payment by a certain date; and generally relating to the purchase of certain credit in the retirement system.

#### By adding

Section 5-1-203(3) Article 5. Pensions and Retirement Baltimore County Code, 2003

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from bill. <u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

1	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE
2	COUNTY, MARYLAND, that the Laws of Baltimore County shall read as follows:
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4	Article 5. Pensions and Retirement
5	§ 5-1-203.
6	(3)(I) THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES ONLY TO A GROUP 3 MEMBER WHO
7	BEGAN SERVICE BEFORE JULY 1, 2010 AND WHO DID NOT PURCHASE CREDIT FOR
8	SERVICE BEFORE JOINING THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM BEFORE THE LAST DATE
9	THE MEMBER WAS ELIGIBLE TO DO SO (JULY JUNE 30, 2012) AS PROVIDED IN BILL
10	30-10.
11	(II) A MEMBER MAY PURCHASE CREDIT FOR SERVICE BEFORE
12	JOINING THE RETIREMENT AS PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH.
13	(III) THE MEMBER SHALL INDICATE AN INTENT TO PURCHASE
14	CREDIT FOR SERVICE TO THE ADMINISTRATOR NOT LATER THAN MARCH 31,
15	2015.
16	(IV) THE MEMBER SHALL PAY THE CONTRIBUTIONS DUE PLUS
17	INTEREST IN A SINGLE LUMP-SUM PAYMENT NOT LATER THAN JUNE 30, 2015.
18	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that it is the intent of this Act only to
19	allow a current member of the retirement system who waited not more than two (2) years to join
20	the retirement system as formerly authorized under § 5-1-203(1), (6), and (7) of the Baltimore
21	County Code, 2003 to purchase credit for the period between the date of employment before July
22	1, 2010 and the date the member joined the retirement system, not later than June 30, 2012. It is
23	not the intent of this Act to authorize a person who failed to join the retirement system to do so,

- 1 including a person who failed to join the retirement system during an earlier employment with
- 2 the county or county agency who later joined the retirement system on subsequent employment.
- 3 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, that this Act, having passed by the
- 4 affirmative vote of five (5) members of the County Council, shall take effect October 19, 2014.