

Chapter 54

(Senate Bill 266)

AN ACT concerning

State Retirement and Pension System – Immediate Vesting

FOR the purpose of providing that an individual serving as the State Superintendent of Schools shall immediately vest in the State Retirement and Pension System; and generally relating to vesting in the State Retirement and Pension System.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 Article – State Personnel and Pensions
 Section 29–304
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2023 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – State Personnel and Pensions

29–304.

An individual shall have immediate vesting rights on taking office in the State system in which the individual is a member if the individual is the:

- (1) secretary of a principal department of the Executive Branch of State government as provided under § 8–201 of the State Government Article;
- (2) Executive Director of the Alcohol and Tobacco Commission;
- (3) Adjutant General of the Military Department;
- (4) Chair of the State Board of Contract Appeals;
- (5) Chair of the Public Service Commission;
- (6) Chair of the Workers’ Compensation Commission;
- (7) Chief Administrative Law Judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings;
- (8) Director of the Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office;
- (9) Director of the Maryland Energy Administration;

- (10) Director of the Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing;
- (11) Director of the Office of Homeland Security;
- (12) Director of the Office of Performance Improvement;
- (13) Director of the State Department of Assessments and Taxation;
- (14) Director of the State Lottery and Gaming Control Agency;
- (15) Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Community and Crime;
- (16) Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of Crime Prevention, Youth, and Victim Services;
- (17) Executive Director of the State Retirement Agency;
- (18) Insurance Commissioner of the Maryland Insurance Administration;
- (19) Special Secretary of the Office of Small, Minority, and Women Business Affairs;
- (20) State Archivist; [or]
- (21) State Prosecutor of the State Prosecutor’s Office; **OR**
- (22) STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.**

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2024.

Approved by the Governor, April 9, 2024.