

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

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Bill No. 1-13

Introduced by Mr. Grasso and Mr. Fink

By the County Council, January 7, 2013

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Public Hearing set for February 4, 2013

Bill Expires April 12, 2013

By Order: Elizabeth E. Jones, Administrative Officer

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ORDINANCE concerning: Pensions - Vesting

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3 FOR the purpose of increasing from five to ten years the amount of credited served required
4 for certain participants in the Employees' Retirement Plan hired on or after January 1,
5 2013 and for certain participants in the Detention Officers' and Deputy Sheriffs'
6 Retirement Plan hired on or after January 1, 2013 to vest in pension benefits and to
7 purchase credited service; providing for the retroactive application of this Ordinance;
8 and generally relating to the Employees' Retirement Plan and Detention Officers' and
9 Deputy Sheriffs' Retirement Plan.

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11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments: §§ 5-1-211(b), 5-3-301(a), and 5-6-201(a)
12 Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended)

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14 SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,*
15 That Section(s) of the Anne Arundel County Code (2005, as amended) read as follows:

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17 **ARTICLE 5 PENSIONS**

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19 **TITLE 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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21 **5-1-211. Purchased service – Employees' Retirement Plan and Detention Officers' and**
22 **Deputy Sheriffs' Retirement Plan.**

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24 (b) **Payment.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate new matter added to existing law.
[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

1 (1) To obtain purchased service, a participant shall pay a lump sum amount equal to
2 the reserves actuarially determined necessary to fund the benefits attributable to the
3 purchased service.

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5 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this title, a participant may not obtain and
6 pay for any purchased service until [the] A participant HIRED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2013 has
7 completed actual plan service plus transferred service under § 5-1-302 totaling five years
8 AND A PARTICIPANT HIRED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2013 HAS COMPLETED ACTUAL PLAN
9 SERVICE PLUS TRANSFERRED SERVICE UNDER § 5-1-302 TOTALING TEN YEARS.

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11 (3) Purchased service may not be counted as credited service until paid for in full.

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13 **TITLE 3. EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLAN**

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15 **5-3-301. Vesting; termination of service before retirement.**

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17 (a) **Generally.**

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19 (1) A participant HIRED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2013 vests in the benefits of the plan upon
20 completion of actual plan service plus transferred service under § 5-1-302 totaling five years.

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22 (2) A PARTICIPANT HIRED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2013 VESTS IN THE BENEFITS OF
23 THE PLAN UPON COMPLETION OF ACTUAL PLAN SERVICE PLUS TRANSFERRED SERVICE
24 UNDER § 5-1-302 TOTALING TEN YEARS.

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26 **TITLE 6. DETENTION OFFICERS' AND DEPUTY SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT**
27 **PLAN**

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29 **5-6-201. Vesting; termination of service before retirement.**

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31 (a) **Generally.**

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33 (1) A category I participant hired on or after August 9, 2004 vests in the benefits of
34 the plan upon completion of 20 years of actual plan service.

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36 (2) A category I participant hired before August 9, 2004 and a category II participant
37 HIRED BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2013 vest in the benefits of the plan upon completion of actual
38 plan service plus transferred service under § 5-1-302 totaling five years.

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40 (3) A CATEGORY II PARTICIPANT HIRED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2013 VESTS IN THE
41 BENEFITS OF THE PLAN UPON COMPLETION OF ACTUAL PLAN SERVICE PLUS TRANSFERRED
42 SERVICE UNDER § 5-1-302 TOTALING TEN YEARS.

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44 **SECTION 2.** *And be it further enacted,* That this Ordinance shall be construed to apply
45 retroactively and shall be applied to and interpreted to affect any participant in the
46 Employees' Retirement Plan or in the Detention Officers' and Deputy Sheriffs' Retirement
47 Plan hired on or after January 1, 2013.

1 SECTION 3. *And be it further enacted*, That this Ordinance shall take effect 45 days
2 from the date it becomes law.