COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND 2001 Legislative Session

| Bill No. | CB-8-2001 | |
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| Chapter No. | 4 | |
| Proposed and Presented by | The Chairman (by request – County Executive) | |
| Introduced by Co | ouncil Members Russell, Bailey and Scott | |
| Co-Sponsors | | |
| Date of Introduction | February 27, 2001 | |
| | BILL | |
| AN ACT concerning | | |
| Prince George's Con | unty Deputy Sheriff's and Correctional Officer's Pension Plans | |
| For the purpose of approvin | ng by legislative act an amendment to the Deputy Sheriff's and | |
| Correctional Officer's Pension Plans regarding the determination of disability benefits. | | |
| WHEREAS, Section 1 | 6-231(b) of the Prince George's County Code authorizes the County | |
| Executive to establish a pen | sion plan for all uniformed employees occupying classified service | |
| positions allocated to public | e safety classes of work within the Sheriff's Department; and | |
| WHEREAS, Section 1 | 6-231(b) of the Prince George's County Code provides that, upon | |
| establishment, a pension plan for all uniformed employees occupying classified service positions | | |
| allocated to public safety cl | asses of work within the Sheriff's Department may not be amended to | |
| lessen the benefits provided | therein, unless such amendments are approved by legislative act of | |
| the County Council; and | | |
| WHEREAS, pursuant | to CB-92-1984, Prince George's County, Maryland, adopted the | |
| Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan (Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan), effective June 30, 1985. Pursuan | | |
| to Section 3C.1(b)(1) of the Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan, the Disability Review Board for the | | |
| Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan established the Disability Review Board Rules of Administrative | | |
| Procedure for the Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan, effective July 1, 1996; and | | |

WHEREAS, by Executive Order No. 17-1996, the Board of Trustees and the County Executive approved the Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan (As Amended and Restated, Effective July 1, 1996). The Disability Review Board for the Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan approved Section 9(h) of the Disability Review Board Rules of Administrative Procedure, regarding requirements

for disability determinations for service-connected disabilities at a meeting of the Disability Review Board for the Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan on July 1, 1996; and

WHEREAS, Section 16-231(c) of the Prince George's County Code authorizes the County Executive to establish a pension plan for employees occupying public safety classes of work within the Department of Corrections, subject to approval by legislative act of the County Council; and

WHEREAS, Section 16-231(c) of the Prince George's County Code authorizes the County Executive to amend a pension plan for employees occupying public safety classes of work within the Department of Corrections, subject to approval by legislative act of the County Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to CB-139-1989, Prince George's County, Maryland, adopted the Prince George's County Correctional Officer's Pension Plan (Correctional Officer's Pension Plan), effective July 1, 1990. Pursuant to Section 3C.1(b)(1) of the Correctional Officer's Pension Plan, the Disability Review Board for the Correctional Officer's Pension Plan established the Disability Review Board Rules of Administrative Procedure for the Correctional Officer's Pension Plan, effective August 8, 1996; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to CB-95-1995, the Board of Trustees and the County Executive approved the Correctional Officer's Pension Plan (As Amended and Restated, Effective July 1, 1996). The Disability Review Board for the Correctional Officer's Pension Plan approved Section 9(h) of the Disability Review Board Rules of Administrative Procedure, regarding requirements for disability determinations for service-connected disabilities at a meeting of the Disability Review Board for the Correctional Officer's Pension Plan on August 8, 1996.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the Prince George's County Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan be amended, said amendment, attached hereto and made a part herein, be and is hereby approved, upon the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the Prince George's County Correctional Officer's Pension Plan be amended, said amendment, attached hereto and made a part herein, be and is hereby approved, upon the effective date of this Act.

| 1 | SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Act shall take effect forty-five (45) |
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| 2 | calendar days after it becomes law. |
| | Adopted this 27th day of March, 2001. |
| | COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND |
| | BY: |
| | Ronald V. Russell Chair |
| | ATTEST: |
| | Joyce T. Sweeney Clerk of the Council |
| | APPROVED: |
| | DATE: BY: Wayne K. Curry |
| | County Executive |

AMENDMENT PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPUTY SHERIFF'S PENSION PLAN (AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1996)

Amendment

Prince George's County, Maryland

Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan

(As Amended and Restated, Effective July 1, 1996)

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 17- 1996, the Board of Trustees and the County Executive approved the Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan (As Amended and Restated, Effective July 1, 1996). Pursuant to Section 16-231(b) of the Prince George's County Code, the Deputy Sheriff's Pension Plan, upon establishment, may not be amended to lessen the benefits provided therein, unless such amendments are approved by legislative act of the County Council. This amendment is therefore approved.

3C.1 <u>Retirement at Comprehensive Participant's Disability Retirement Date.</u> -- add the following as the last paragraph in Section 3C.1(b)(3), upon the effective date of CB-8-2001.

In determining whether an injury or illness is service-connected, the Participant must show that the injury or illness was directly and substantially caused by an employment related accident, occurrence or condition. A preexisting physical or mental condition found in the Participant which is aggravated by an employment related accident, occurrence or condition and renders the Participant disabled, does not give rise to a service-connected disability.

AMENDMENT PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

CORRECTIONAL OFFICER'S PENSION PLAN
(AS AMENDED AND RESTATED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1996)

Amendment

Prince George's County, Maryland
Correctional Officer's Pension Plan
(As Amended and Restated, Effective July 1, 1996)

Pursuant to CB-95-1995, the Board of Trustees and the County Executive approved the Correctional Officer's Pension Plan (As Amended and Restated, Effective July 1, 1996). Pursuant to Section 16-231(c) of the Prince George's County Code, said Pension Plan, upon establishment, may be amended subject to approval by legislative act of the County Council. This amendment is therefore approved.

3C.1 <u>Retirement at Disability Retirement Date.</u> -- add the following as the last paragraph in Section 3C.1(b)(3), upon the effective date of CB-8-2001.

In determining whether an injury or illness is service-connected, the Participant must show that the injury or illness was directly and substantially caused by an employment related accident, occurrence or condition. A pre-existing physical or mental condition found in the Participant which is aggravated by an employment related accident, occurrence or condition and renders the Participant disabled, does not give rise to a service-connected disability.