

VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - 2025 SESSION

CHAPTER 442

An Act to amend and reenact § 51.1-212, as it shall become effective, of the Code of Virginia, relating to Virginia Law Officers' Retirement System; conservation officers.

[S 1201]

Approved March 24, 2025

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 51.1-212, as it shall become effective, of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 51.1-212. (Effective July 1, 2025) Definitions.

As used in this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:

"Employee" means any (i) member of the Capitol Police Force as described in § 30-34.2:1, (ii) campus police officer appointed under the provisions of Article 3 (§ 23.1-809 et seq.) of Chapter 8 of Title 23.1, (iii) conservation police officer in the Department of Wildlife Resources appointed under the provisions of Chapter 2 (§ 29.1-200 et seq.) of Title 29.1, (iv) special agent of the Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control Authority appointed under the provisions of Chapter 1 (§ 4.1-100 et seq.) of Title 4.1, (v) law-enforcement officer employed by the Virginia Marine Resources Commission as described in § 9.1-101, (vi) correctional officer as the term is defined in § 53.1-1, and including correctional officers employed at a juvenile correction facility as the term is defined in § 66-25.3, (vii) parole officer appointed pursuant to § 53.1-143, (viii) commercial vehicle enforcement officer employed by the Department of State Police, ~~and~~ (ix) full-time firefighter employed by the Department of Military Affairs, *and (x) conservation officer of the Department of Conservation and Recreation appointed under the provisions of Article 4 (§ 10.1-115 et seq.) of Chapter 1 of Title 10.1.*

"Member" means any person included in the membership of the Retirement System as provided in this chapter.

"Normal retirement date" means a member's sixtieth birthday.

"Retirement System" means the Virginia Law Officers' Retirement System.

2. That the provisions of this act providing enhanced retirement benefits to positions as conservation officers of the Department of Conservation and Recreation appointed under the provisions of Article 4 (§ 10.1-115 et seq.) of Chapter 1 of Title 10.1 of the Code of Virginia shall apply only to service earned as a conservation officer on or after July 1, 2025.