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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### HOUSE BILL NO. 43

### AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO PENSIONS.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

1 Section 1. Amend § 5522, Title 29 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and 2 insertions as shown by underline as follows: 3 § 5522. Eligibility for service pension [Effective Jan. 1, 2017, until Jan. 1, 2019] 4 (a) An employee shall become eligible to receive a service pension, beginning with the month after the employee 5 has terminated employment, if: 6 (5) The employee has 25 years of credited service, exclusive of service credited under § 5501(e)(4), (5) and (12) 7 of this title, regardless of age, and is a correction officer-Department of Correction employee. The employee must have 20 8 years of credited service as a correction officer. 9 Section 2. Amend § 5522, Title 29 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and 10 insertions as shown by underline as follows: 11 § 5522. Eligibility for service pension [Effective Jan. 1, 2019] 12 (a) An employee shall become eligible to receive a service pension, beginning with the month after the employee 13 has terminated employment, if: 14 (5) The employee has 25 years of credited service, exclusive of service credited under § 5501(e)(4), (5) and (12) of this title, regardless of age, and is a correction officer Department of Correction employee or a specified peace officer. 15 16 The employee must have 20 years of credited service as a correction officer or specified peace officer.

# SYNOPSIS

This bill clarifies that a Department of Correction's employee who has served for 25 years with at least 20 years as a correction officer is eligible to retire at 25 years.

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