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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 623** Session of  
1961

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INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. WADE AND TAYLOR,  
MAY 8, 1961.

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT,  
MAY 8, 1961.

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**AN ACT**

Amending the act of June 27 1923 (P L 858) entitled "An act establishing a State employes' retirement system and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing State employes defining the uses and purposes thereof and the manner of payments therefrom and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds imposing powers and duties upon the heads of departments in which

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EXPLANATION—CAPITAL LETTERS indicate new matter added to bill. Matter stricken through is to be omitted from bill. Underscoring indicates new matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

State employes serve excepting annuities allowances returns benefits and rights from taxation and judicial process and providing penalties" providing additional State annuities for certain beneficiaries

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows

Section 1 Section 13.1 act of June 27 1923 (P L 858) entitled  
1 "An act establishing a State employes' retirement system and creating  
2 a retirement board for the administration thereof establishing certain  
3 funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing State  
4 employes defining the uses and purposes thereof and the manner of pay-  
5 ments therefrom and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth  
6 of certain of said funds imposing powers and duties upon the heads of  
7 departments in which State employes serve excepting annuities allow-  
8 ances returns benefits and rights from taxation and judicial process and  
9 providing penalties" reenacted and amended December 6 1955 (P L 798)  
10 is amended to read

11 Minimum Allowances for Present Beneficiaries

12 Section 13.1 (a) Every beneficiary who on November 8 1955 or  
13 at any time thereafter until and including the effective date of this

1 act was receiving either a disability or superannuation retirement allow-  
2 ance under this act shall receive in addition to the benefits otherwise  
3 provided by this act a further State annuity which shall be equivalent  
4 to the amount if any by which such retirement allowance otherwise pay-  
5 able is less than one thousand two hundred dollars (\$1200) annually  
6 where the contributor has twenty-five years or more of credited service  
7 in this Commonwealth or if less than twenty-five years of such service  
8 then such proportional amount of such one thousand two hundred dol-  
9 lars (\$1200) as the years of such credited service bear to twenty-five years

10 If the whole or any portion of such superannuation retirement  
11 allowance is based upon membership in the one one-hundred-sixtieth  
12 ( $1/160$ ) class then in the calculations relating to the twelve hundred  
13 dollars (\$1200) annual minimum an adjustment shall be made as to such  
14 superannuation retirement allowance or any portion thereof in the  
15 ratio that one one-hundredth ( $1/100$ ) bears to one one-hundred-sixtieth  
16 ( $1/160$ )

17 In the event that a beneficiary is receiving a reduced superannuation  
18 retirement allowance because of having elected an option such addi-  
19 tional State annuity if any shall be related to the amount of the full

1 retirement allowance he would have received if no option had been  
2 elected and in the event that a beneficiary when entering upon a super-  
3 annuation retirement allowance has elected an option providing for a  
4 survivor annuity and the beneficiary has later died and the survivor  
5 beneficiary is in receipt of a survivor annuity then the additional State  
6 annuity if any payable to such survivor beneficiary shall be such reduced  
7 amount as under the rules is related to the additional State annuity  
8 if any which would have been payable to the retired member if such  
9 option had not been elected

10 The further State annuity provided for hereby shall commence  
11 as of November eight one thousand nine hundred fifty-five or on the  
12 date of retirement if later than November eight one thousand nine  
18 hundred fifty-five

14 (a.1) Every beneficiary who on June 1 1961 has been receiving  
15 either a disability or superannuation retirement allowance under this  
16 act for a period of ten years or more shall receive in addition to the  
17 benefits otherwise provided by this section a further State annuity of  
18 fifty dollars (\$50) per month

19 Every beneficiary who on June 1 1961 has been receiving either a  
20 disability or superannuation retirement allowance under this act for a

- 1 period of five years or more but not in excess of ten years shall receive
- 2 in addition to the benefits otherwise provided by this section a further
- 3 State annuity of twenty-five dollars (\$25) per month

4 (b) The General Assembly shall from time to time appropriate  
 5 moneys sufficient to make payments under this section based on esti-  
 6 mates submitted by the board

We certify that this bill has passed the Senate and the House of  
 Representatives.

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 Chief Clerk, Senate

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 President pro tempore, Senate

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 Speaker, House of Representatives

Approved The ..... day of ..... A. D. 1961.

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 Governor