

Section 1. The county commissioners of all counties of the second, [and] *third*, fourth, *fifth*, *sixth*, *seventh* and *eighth* classes are hereby authorized and empowered to establish, equip and maintain fire training schools or centers for the purpose of giving instruction and practical training in the prevention, control and fighting of fire to the members of paid fire departments and volunteer fire companies in any city, borough, town or township within such county.

County commissioners of second to eighth class counties authorized to provide training schools for firemen.

Section 2. *Except in second and fourth class counties, the county commissioners shall not expend more than the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for the purposes authorized by this act.*

Limitation on expenditures by second and fourth class counties.

APPROVED—The 15th day of May, A. D. 1956.

GEORGE M. LEADER

No. 527

AN ACT

Amending the act of July eighteen, one thousand nine hundred seventeen (Pamphlet Laws 1043), entitled "An act establishing a public school employes' retirement system, and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof; establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing 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 boards having the employment of public school employes; exempting annuities, allowances, returns, benefits, and rights from taxation and judicial process; and providing penalties," by permitting disability annuitants who withdrew from school service to elect to become members of the one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) class upon restoration to school service.

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

Section 1. Paragraph six (6) of section eight (8) of the act of July eighteen, one thousand nine hundred seventeen (Pamphlet Laws 1043), entitled "An act establishing a public school employes' retirement system, and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof; establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing 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 boards having the employment of public school employes; exempting annuities, allowances, returns, benefits, and rights from taxation

Public school employes' retirement system.

Paragraph 6, section 8, act of July 18, 1917. P. L. 1043, last amended December 27, 1951, P. L. 1739. further amended.

and judicial process; and providing penalties," as last amended by the act of December twenty-seven, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1739), is hereby amended to read:

School Employes' Retirement Fund and Accounts.

Section 8.

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6. There shall be credited by the retirement board, to a ledger account to be known as the employes' annuity savings account, the amounts of the accumulated deductions from the salaries of contributors, made under such rules and regulations as the retirement board shall prescribe, as follows:

From the salary of each employe who is a contributor there shall be deducted and paid into the fund created by this act, through the Department of Revenue, such per centum of his or her earnable salary, as shall be computed to be sufficient, with regular interest, to procure for him or her on superannuation retirement at age sixty-two an employe's annuity equal to one one-hundred-sixtieth, (1/160) of his or her final salary, calculated on the basis of the annual salary earnable by a contributor as an employe for the ten years of service immediately preceding retirement, for each year of service after the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred nineteen, or to procure for him or her on superannuation retirement at age sixty-two or at the end of thirty-five years of credited service in this Commonwealth, whichever is the earlier, an employe's annuity equal to one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) of his or her final salary, calculated on the basis of the annual salary earnable by a contributor as an employe for the ten years of service immediately preceding retirement, for each year of service after the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred nineteen. In the case of each contributor entering or re-entering the retirement system on and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred fifty, and also in the case of each contributor originally carrying membership in the one one-hundred-sixtieth (1/160) class who, prior to the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred fifty, has elected and filed with the retirement board such election to transfer to the one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) class and who contributes, after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred fifty, the per centum of his or her salary computed to be sufficient for new entrants of the one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) class as of age attained at nearest birthday of such transferred contributor at the date of transfer: Provided, That in the case of employes who were employed during the

year which began July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two and ended June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, who have elected to contribute on the basis of salary receivable during said year, such percentage shall be computed on the basis of said salary: And provided, That, in any case, if the deduction so computed shall exceed five per centum of his or her earnable salary, and the employe shall so elect, there shall be deducted five per centum of his or her earnable salary: Provided, however, That these privileges are not available to contributors in the one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) class: And further provided, That a [beneficiary] *disability annuitant* in the one one-hundred-sixtieth (1/160) class *heretofore or hereafter* restored to school service shall [not] be permitted to transfer to the one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) class. [nor shall a] *Such* beneficiary restored to school service *as a member of the one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) class shall* be required to contribute at a per centum rate of his or her earnable salary [which is greater than the per centum thereof which he or she was required to contribute prior to his or her retirement] *computed to be sufficient for new entrants of the one one-hundred-fortieth (1/140) class as of age attained at nearest birthday of the transferred contributor at the date of transfer.* The rate per centum of said deduction from salary shall be based on such mortality and other tables as the retirement board shall adopt, together with regular interest, and shall be computed to remain constant during the prospective school service of the contributor.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective immediately.

APPROVED—The 15th day of May, A. D. 1956.

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No. 528

AN ACT

Amending the act of May one, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 905), entitled "An act for the protection of the public safety; regulating the use of highways, and the operation of vehicles, tractors, street cars, trackless trolley omnibuses, bicycles, pedestrians, and the riding of animals upon the highways of this Commonwealth; providing for the titling, including liens, encumbrances, and legal claims; registration of certain vehicles and licensing the operators thereof, upon payment of prescribed fees; prescribing and limiting the powers of local authorities to deal with the subject matter of this act; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue, the Department of Highways, peace officers, mayors,