

is an amendment, the amounts due by such school districts to the Commonwealth. All amounts so withheld are hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Public Instruction for the support of public schools.

APPROVED—The 1st day of June, A. D. 1956.

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No. 674

A SUPPLEMENT

To the act approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred twenty-three (Pamphlet Laws 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 State employes serve; excepting annuities, allowances, returns, benefits, and rights from taxation and judicial process; and providing penalties," by permitting any State employe as a contributor under the provisions of the State employes' retirement system and who was an employe under the public school system of the Commonwealth and made contributions to the Public School Employes' Retirement Fund on account of such public school service to obtain credit for such service in the State employes' retirement system under certain conditions.

State employes' retirement system.

Credit provisions for transfer from Public School Employes' Retirement Fund to State Employes' Retirement Fund.

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

Section 1. Any State employe who is a contributor on [the date of the final enactment of this act] *the first day of July, 1956, and* who, as an employe under the public school system of this Commonwealth, made contributions and on account of whose service contributions were made by the State and by any school district to the Public School Employes' Retirement Fund, on account of the service credited to him under the Public School Employes' Retirement System, and for which he has not heretofore been credited under the act to which this is an amendment, may request the Retirement Board to give him credit for such previous service. The Retirement Board shall credit the contributor with such period of service upon the fulfillment of the following conditions: (1) there shall be furnished to the Retirement Board, by the Public School Employes' Retirement Board, a statement certifying all such service heretofore credited as a member of the Public School Employes' Retirement System, which hereafter is to be considered as having been rendered as a State employe;

(2) the transfer to the State Employees' Retirement Fund from the Public School Employees' Retirement Fund of an amount equal to all contingent and State annuity reserves and the accumulated deductions to the credit of such contributor in the Public School Employees' Retirement Fund as determined by the Public School Employees' Retirement Board; (3) the payment into the State Employees' Retirement Fund of a sum equal to the amount of back payments that would have been made by such contributor under the rules of the State Employees' Retirement Board fixing the entry age and the percentage of salary deductions required of such contributor because of such previous service toward which sum the amount of transferred accumulated deductions shall be applied, but any unpaid balance of such back payments may be paid in a lump sum or by future increased deductions from the salary of the contributor, in such amounts as may be agreed upon by the contributor and the Retirement Board, but in no event shall such increased salary deductions be in amounts less than sufficient to pay such balance of back payments by the time the member reaches superannuation retirement age or, if the member has reached superannuation retirement age, by payment of such balance of back payments within six (6) months of the effective date of this act; and (4) a further sum shall be paid into the State Employees' Retirement Fund by the contributor sufficient to provide the cost of the additional State annuity related to such previous service for which credit may have been allowed under this act less the sum and the accrued interest thereon transferred from the Public School Employees' Retirement Fund as the amount equal to all contingent State annuity reserves to the credit of such contributor. Until such further sum is applied toward providing such additional State annuity, it shall be separately credited to the account of the contributor in his member's annuity savings account subject to the rules governing members' accumulated deductions. Such further sum may be paid in a lump sum or by future increased deductions from the salary of the contributor in such amounts as may be agreed upon by the contributor and the Retirement Board: Provided, however, That in the event the entire amount so paid does not equal the total sum required to provide such additional State annuity related to such previous service such additional State annuity shall be reduced proportionately.

Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Act effective
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APPROVED—The 1st day of June, A. D. 1956.

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