

volunteer or be called for military or naval service by the United States of America in time of war or during a state of national emergency, shall within thirty (30) days after the receipt of notice to said effect send a copy of such notice to the secretary of the school board by which he is employed.

APPROVED—The 19th day of July, A. D. 1951.

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No. 227

AN ACT

To further amend section eleven of the act, approved the eighteenth day of July, 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 extending service allowance of certain employes.

Public school employes' retirement system.

Section 11, act of July 18, 1917, P. L. 1043, as last amended by act of July 5, 1947, P. L. 1352, further amended.

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

Section 1. Section eleven of the act, approved the eighteenth day of July, 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," as last amended by the act, approved the fifth day of July, one thousand nine hundred forty-seven (Pamphlet Laws 1352), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Computation of service credit.

Section 11. In computing the length of service of a contributor for retirement purposes, under the provisions of this act, full credit shall be given to each contributor by the retirement board for each school year of service as an employe, as defined in section one, para-

graph seven of this act, and for each school year or fraction thereof for which credit is not otherwise provided for in this act and during which the contributor was [a member of the American Expeditionary Force in the World War, or in activities connected therewith approved by the retirement board, or who were] either granted a commission, enlisted or drafted into the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, [or the] Enlisted Nurses' Corps or other branch of the military forces of the United States during World War I, and for each school year during which the contributor was, prior to the eighteenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred seventeen, a teacher, instructor or supervisor in any state or semi-state orphan school. Under such rules and regulations as the retirement board shall adopt, each employe shall file with the retirement board a detailed statement of all such service rendered by him or her. As soon as practicable thereafter the retirement board shall verify such statement as to prior service, and shall issue to each employe a certificate certifying to the aggregate length of his or her prior service. Such certificate shall be final and conclusive as to his or her prior service, unless thereafter modified: (a) by the retirement board upon application by employe or (b) by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, upon application by the employe or by the retirement board; provided such application for modification be made to said State Superintendent of Public Instruction within one year after the issuance of a certificate or a modified certificate by the retirement board. A certificate for prior service issued to a present employe shall certify the total number of completed years of prior service allowances for said present employe [to and including the thirtieth day of June, nineteen hundred nineteen. The time during which an employe is absent without pay shall not be counted in computing the prior service, the total service, or the average salary of a contributor, unless allowed by the employer by whom said contributor was employed at the time said leave of absence was granted, and further, unless said allowance is approved by the retirement board].

Section 2. The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

APPROVED—The 19th day of July, A. D. 1951.

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Service allowance extended to school employes who served in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Enlisted Nurses' Corps, or other branch of service in World War I.

Certificate of prior service.

Modification of such certificate.

Proviso.

Where such certificate is issued to a present employe.

Act effective immediately.