of the undertaker or to any person or persons or political subdivision who or which shall have paid the claim of the undertaker.

APPROVED—The 14th day of August, A. D. 1963. WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 442

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 4, 1937 (P. L. 1625), entitled "An act providing for the creation, maintenance and operation of a county employes' retirement system in counties of the third class; and imposing certain charges on counties," further providing for the payment of allowances for persons who die while in county service after having served fifteen years.

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

Section 1. Section 13, act of June 4, 1937 (P. L. 1625), entitled "An act providing for the creation, maintenance and operation of a county employes' retirement system in counties of the third class; and imposing certain charges on counties," amended December 22, 1951 (P. L. 1716), is amended to read:

Section 13. Involuntary Retirement Allowances; Voluntary Retirement Allowances After Twenty-five Years of Service.--Should a contributor be discontinued from service not voluntarily, or an elected county officer complete his term of office and discontinue service after having completed ten years of total service or voluntarily after having completed twenty-five (25) years of total service, but before reaching superannuation retirement age, or should a contributor die while in the county service but after completing fifteen (15) years of total service, he shall be paid as he may elect, as follows: (a) The full amount of the accumulated deduction standing to his credit in the members' annuity reserve account; or (b) a member's annuity of equivalent actuarial value to his accumulated deductions standing to his credit in the members' annuity reserve account, and in addition a county annuity having a value equal to the present value of a county annuity beginning at superannuation retirement age, but based on the period of service up to the date of discontinuance from service and not on the period of service required to reach superannuation retirement age. The same options shall be available to beneficiaries in case of involuntary retirement as provided herein in the case of superannuation retirement.

Section 2. Section 13.2 of the act, added October 7, 1955 (P. L. 691), is amended to read:

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Section 13, act of June 4, 1937, P. L. 1625, amended December 22, 1951, P. L. 1716, further amended.

Section 13.2 of act, added October 7, 1955, P. L. 691, amended.

Section 13.2. Retirement While in County Service. -Any contributor who is or was entitled to retire under the provisions of this act by reason of having completed twenty-five (25) years of total service or by reason of having reached superannuation retirement age, or any contributor who has completed fifteen (15) years of total service, and who shall die while in county service before filing with the retirement board a written application for retirement as heretofore provided, *or has died and whose payments into the fund have not been withdrawn, shall be considered as having elected Option one as provided in section twelve of this act, as of the date of his or her death. In such event, payment under Option one shall be made to the beneficiary designated in the nomination of beneficiary form on file with the retirement board. If said beneficiary has predeceased the contributor, payment under Option one shall be made to the legal representative of said contributor.

Section 17 of act, amended.

Section 3. Section 17 of the act is amended to read: Section 17. Refunds in Case of Withdrawal or Death.—Where a contributor resigns from service or where a contributor has died before completing fifteen (15) years of total service, then the amount standing to the credit of the contributor in the members' annuity reserve account shall be paid to him or his estate or to the person named in any beneficiary certificate filed by the contributor with the board. When a contributor or a beneficiary has died and there shall be due to the estate of such contributor or beneficiary a sum less than one hundred dollars, and letters testamentary or of administration have not been taken out on the estate of such contributor or beneficiary within six months of death, the board may pay the amount due on the claim of the undertaker or to any person or persons or political subdivision who or which shall have paid the claim of the undertaker.

APPROVED—The 14th day of August, A. D. 1963.

WILLIAM W. SCRANTON

No. 443

AN ACT

Amending the act of July 8, 1941 (P. L. 298), entitled "An act authorizing the creation of, and providing for, and regulating the maintenance and operation of a county employes' retirement system in counties of the fourth class, imposing certain charges on counties, and fixing penalties," further providing for the payment of allowances for persons who die while in county service after having served fifteen years.

^{* &}quot;as" in original.