

years of such employment. If the annual salary or compensation of any member of the fire alarm bureau employed by the city on the effective date of this act is less than five thousand dollars (\$5000), such salary or compensation shall be increased to five thousand dollars (\$5000) and such member shall receive annual increments of two hundred dollars (\$200) for the next two years of employment.

APPROVED—The 19th day of October, A. D. 1967.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

No. 220

AN ACT

SB 632

Amending the act of May 23, 1945 (P. L. 903), entitled "An act authorizing cities of the third class to establish an optional retirement system for officers and employes independently of any pension system or systems existing in such cities," authorizing pensions for widowers of employes and providing for additional payments to be made to contributors who become entitled to the retirement allowance.

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

Section 1. Subsection (d) of section 4, act of May 23, 1945 (P. L. 903), entitled "An act authorizing cities of the third class to establish an optional retirement system for officers and employes independently of any pension system or systems existing in such cities," added July 27, 1959 (P. L. 568), is amended to read:

Section 4. * * *

(d) If council elects by ordinance to make such payments, the widow or widower of an employe who retires on pension or is killed in the service on or after January 1, 1960, shall, during her or his lifetime or so long as she or he does not remarry, be entitled to receive a pension calculated at the rate of fifty (50) per centum of the pension the employe was receiving or would have been receiving had he or she been retired at the time of his or her death.

Section 2. Section 4 of the act is amended by adding at the end thereof, a new subsection to read:

Section 4. * * *

(e) In addition to the retirement allowance which is authorized

to be paid from the pension fund by this act, notwithstanding the limitations therein placed upon such retirement allowances and upon contributions, every contributor who shall become entitled to the retirement allowance may also by ordinance be entitled to the payment of a "service increment" in accordance with and subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth.

(1) Service increment shall be the sum obtained by computing the number of whole years after having served twenty (20) years, required by this act, during which a contributor has been employed by such city and paid out of the city treasury and multiplying the said number of years so computed by an amount equal to one-fortieth (1/40) of the retirement allowance which has become payable to such contributor in accordance with the provisions of this act. In computing the service increment, no employment after the contributor has reached the age of sixty-five (65) years shall be included.

(2) Each contributor, who so chooses to become entitled to the service increments provided by this act, shall, from and after the effective date of this amendment, pay into the retirement fund a monthly sum in addition to his or her retirement contribution, which shall be equal to one-half of one per centum of his or her salary: Provided, That such service increment contribution shall not be paid after a contributor has reached the age of sixty-five (65) years.

(3) Persons who are contributors on the effective date of this amendment who have already reached the age of sixty-five (65) years shall have his or her service increment computed on the years of employment prior to the date of reaching his or her sixty-fifth (65th) birthday.

(4) Service increment contributions shall be paid at the same time and in the same manner as retirement contributions, and may be withdrawn in full, without interest, by persons who leave the employment of such city, subject to the same conditions by which retire-

ment contributions may be withdrawn, or by persons who retire before becoming entitled to any service increment.

(5) All persons who are now contributors to the retirement fund and all those employed by the city after the effective date of this amendment, if required to become contributors to the retirement fund, shall be subject to the provisions of this act.

Section 3. The first paragraph of section 5 and section 10 of the act, amended July 27, 1959 (P. L. 568), are amended to read:

Section 5. The officers and employes of any city, creating such fund and board, shall, upon the acceptance of this act, pay unto said board monthly an amount equal to three (3) per centum of their monthly salaries or wages, and if the council elects to make such payments, an additional amount not to exceed one per centum if deemed necessary by the council to provide sufficient funds for payments to widows and widowers of members retired on pension or killed in the service, except as hereinafter provided concerning laborers, which shall be applied to the purpose of this act.

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Section 10. The councils of the cities shall annually set aside, apportion and appropriate out of all taxes and income of such city unto the board, a sum sufficient to maintain the compensation due under this act, not, however, to exceed in any one year an amount in excess of the proceeds of one-half of one mill on the assessed valuation of the city for city purposes. The council may exceed the limitations imposed by this section, if an additional amount is deemed necessary, to provide sufficient funds for payments to widows or widowers of members retired on pension or killed in the service.

Section 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 19th day of October, A. D. 1967.

RAYMOND P. SHAFER

No. 221

AN ACT

SB 1007

Amending the act of July 18, 1935 (P. L. 1286), entitled, as amended "An act empowering counties of the second class, cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, and townships to charge and collect from owners of and water users in property served thereby, annual rentals, rates or charges for the use of certain sewers, sewerage systems and sewage treatment works, including charges for operation, inspection, maintenance, repair, depreciation, and the amortization of indebtedness and interest