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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 405

Session of 1991

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AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, JUNE 26, 1991

AN ACT

Amending Titles 24 (Education) and 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, AMENDING CERTAIN 3 DEFINITIONS; ADDING AND AMENDING CERTAIN DEFINITIONS RELATING TO MILITARY SERVICE; adding provisions relating to credited service as a retirement incentive; providing for legal advisors to the respective boards; and further providing for special early retirement and for accrued liability, ACCRUED 7 8 LIABILITY, TERMINATION OF ANNUITIES, CREDITABLE NONSCHOOL 9 SERVICE AND RETIREMENT COUNSELING SERVICES; INCLUDING 10 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATORS IN THE OFFICE OF 11 ATTORNEY GENERAL WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF "ENFORCEMENT 12 OFFICER" FOR RETIREMENT PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR CREDIT FOR 13 SERVICE WITH ANOTHER STATE GOVERNMENT; AND AUTHORIZING 14 PURCHASES OF CERTAIN CREDITABLE NONSTATE SERVICE BY JUSTICES 15 OF THE PEACE. 16 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: 18 Section 1. The introductory paragraph and paragraph (3) of 19 section 8312 and sections 8501(e) and 8502(b) and (h) of Title 20 24 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to

1 SECTION 1. THE DEFINITIONS OF "APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE"

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- 2 AND "INTERVENING MILITARY SERVICE" IN SECTION 8102 OF TITLE 24
- 3 OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSOLIDATED STATUTES ARE AMENDED AND THE
- 4 SECTION IS AMENDED BY ADDING DEFINITIONS TO READ:
- 5 § 8102. DEFINITIONS.
- 6 THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES WHEN USED IN THIS PART SHALL
- 7 HAVE, UNLESS THE CONTEXT CLEARLY INDICATES OTHERWISE, THE
- 8 MEANINGS GIVEN TO THEM IN THIS SECTION:
- 9 * * *
- 10 "APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE." A LEAVE OF ABSENCE WHICH HAS
- 11 BEEN APPROVED BY THE EMPLOYER FOR SABBATICAL LEAVE, SERVICE AS
- 12 AN EXCHANGE TEACHER, OR PROFESSIONAL STUDY, OR A MATERNITY LEAVE
- 13 OF ABSENCE REQUIRED BY THE EMPLOYER.
- 14 * * *
- 15 "INDUCTION." TO BE DRAFTED OR, IF A MEMBER OF A RESERVE
- 16 COMPONENT OF THE ARMED FORCES, TO BE ORDERED ON OR AFTER AUGUST
- 17 2, 1990, INTO ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE OTHER THAN ACTIVE DUTY TO
- 18 MEET PERIODIC TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.
- 19 "INTERVENING MILITARY SERVICE." ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE OF A
- 20 MEMBER WHO WAS A SCHOOL EMPLOYEE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING HIS
- 21 INDUCTION INTO THE ARMED SERVICES OR FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES
- 22 IN ORDER TO MEET A [DRAFT] MILITARY OBLIGATION EXCLUDING ANY
- 23 VOLUNTARY EXTENSION OF SUCH OBLIGATIONAL SERVICE AND WHO BECOMES
- 24 A SCHOOL EMPLOYEE WITHIN 90 DAYS OF THE EXPIRATION OF SUCH
- 25 SERVICE.
- 26 * * *
- 27 <u>"MATERNITY LEAVE OF ABSENCE." AN INVOLUNTARY LEAVE OF</u>
- 28 ABSENCE REQUIRED BY THE EMPLOYER BECAUSE OF THE PREGNANCY OF THE
- 29 MEMBER AND OCCURRING PRIOR TO MAY 17, 1975.
- 30 * * *

- 1 "MILITARY OBLIGATION." A DRAFT OBLIGATION OR, IF A MEMBER OF
- 2 A RESERVE COMPONENT OF THE ARMED FORCES, AN ORDER ON OR AFTER
- 3 AUGUST 2, 1990, TO ENTER INTO ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE, OTHER
- 4 THAN AN ORDER TO ENTER INTO ACTIVE DUTY TO MEET PERIODIC
- 5 TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.
- 6 * * *
- 7 "RESERVE COMPONENT OF THE ARMED FORCES." THE UNITED STATES
- 8 ARMY RESERVE, UNITED STATES NAVY RESERVE, UNITED STATES MARINE
- 9 CORPS RESERVE, UNITED STATES COAST GUARD RESERVE, UNITED STATES
- 10 AIR FORCE RESERVE, PENNSYLVANIA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD AND
- 11 <u>PENNSYLVANIA AIR NATIONAL GUARD.</u>
- 12 * * *
- 13 SECTION 2. SECTIONS 8304(B) AND 8312 INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPH
- 14 AND PARAGRAPH (3) OF TITLE 24 ARE AMENDED TO READ:
- 15 § 8304. CREDITABLE NONSCHOOL SERVICE.
- 16 * * *
- 17 (B) LIMITATIONS ON NONSCHOOL SERVICE.--CREDITABLE NONSCHOOL
- 18 SERVICE CREDIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO:
- 19 (1) INTERVENING MILITARY SERVICE.
- 20 (2) OTHER MILITARY SERVICE NOT EXCEEDING FIVE YEARS.
- 21 (3) SERVICE IN ANY PUBLIC SCHOOL OR PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL
- 22 INSTITUTION IN ANY STATE OTHER THAN THIS COMMONWEALTH OR IN
- 23 ANY TERRITORY OR AREA UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED
- 24 STATES. THIS PARAGRAPH INCLUDES SERVICE, PRIOR TO JULY 1,
- 25 1965, AT A COMMUNITY COLLEGE ESTABLISHED UNDER THE ACT OF
- 26 AUGUST 24, 1963 (P.L.1132, NO.484), KNOWN AS THE COMMUNITY
- 27 COLLEGE ACT OF 1963.
- 28 (4) SERVICE AS AN ADMINISTRATOR, TEACHER, OR INSTRUCTOR
- 29 IN THE FIELD OF PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION FOR ANY AGENCY OR
- 30 DEPARTMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES WHETHER OR

- 1 NOT SUCH AREA WAS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED
- 2 STATES.
- 3 (5) PREVIOUS SERVICE AS AN EMPLOYEE OF A COUNTY BOARD OF
- 4 SCHOOL DIRECTORS WHICH EMPLOYMENT WAS TERMINATED BECAUSE OF
- 5 THE TRANSFER OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF SUCH SERVICE OR OF THE
- 6 ENTIRE AGENCY TO A GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY.
- 7 (6) PREVIOUS SERVICE AS A COUNTY EMPLOYEE AS A NURSE.
- 8 FOR EVERY THREE YEARS OR MAJOR FRACTION THEREOF IN PREVIOUS
- 9 WORK EXPERIENCE, AN INDIVIDUAL MAY BUY ONE YEAR OF CREDITABLE
- 10 SERVICE, NOT TO EXCEED A TOTAL OF FIVE YEARS. THE PURCHASE OF
- 11 THIS SERVICE SHALL BEGIN WITHIN THREE YEARS OF THE EMPLOYEE'S
- 12 ELIGIBILITY TO PURCHASE THIS CREDITABLE SERVICE.
- 13 (7) CREDITABLE SERVICE FOR THE PERIOD OF TIME SPENT ON A
- 14 MATERNITY LEAVE OF ABSENCE, REQUIRED BY THE EMPLOYER, WHICH
- 15 CREDITABLE SERVICE SHALL NOT EXCEED TWO YEARS PER LEAVE AND
- 16 SHALL BE APPLICABLE ONLY TO A MATERNITY LEAVE WHICH WAS
- 17 MANDATORY PRIOR TO MAY 17, 1975.
- 18 (8) SERVICE IN THE CADET NURSE CORPS WITH RESPECT TO ANY
- 19 PERIOD OF TRAINING AS A STUDENT OR GRADUATE NURSE UNDER A
- 20 PLAN APPROVED UNDER SECTION 2 OF THE ACT OF JUNE 15, 1943
- 21 (PUBLIC LAW 78-73, 57 STAT. 153), IF THE TOTAL PERIOD OF
- 22 TRAINING UNDER THE PLAN WAS AT LEAST TWO YEARS, THE CREDIT
- 23 FOR SUCH SERVICE NOT TO EXCEED THREE YEARS.
- 24 * * *
- 25 § 8312. Eligibility for special early retirement.
- 26 Notwithstanding any provisions of this title to the contrary,
- 27 for the period only of July 1, 1985, to [September 30, 1991]
- 28 <u>June 30, 1993</u>, the following special early retirement provisions
- 29 shall be applicable to specified eligible members as follows:
- 30 * * *

- 1 (3) During the period of July 1, 1987, to [September 30,
- 2 1991] <u>June 30, 1993</u>, a member who has credit for at least 30
- 3 eligibility points shall be entitled, upon termination of
- 4 service and filing of a proper application, to receive a
- 5 maximum single life annuity calculated pursuant to section
- 6 8342 without any reduction by virtue of an effective date of
- 7 retirement which is under the superannuation age.
- 8 § 8501. Public School Employees' Retirement Board.
- 9 * * *
- 10 (e) Corporate power and legal advisor. For the purposes of
- 11 this part, the board shall possess the power and privileges of a
- 12 corporation. The [Attorney General of the Commonwealth] counsel
- 13 <u>employed by the board shall be the legal advisor of the board.</u>
- 14 § 8502. Administrative duties of board.
- 15 * * *
- 16 (b) Professional personnel. The board shall contract for
- 17 the services of a chief medical examiner, an actuary, investment
- 18 advisors, counselors, an investment coordinator, and such other
- 19 professional personnel as it deems advisable. The board shall
- 20 <u>have the power to contract for legal services.</u>
- 21 * * *
- 22 (h) Regulations and procedures. The board shall, with the
- 23 advice of the [Attorney General] board counsel and the actuary,
- 24 adopt and promulgate rules and regulations for the uniform
- 25 administration of the system. The actuary shall approve in
- 26 writing all computational procedures used in the calculation of
- 27 contributions and benefits prior to their application by the
- 28 board.
- 29 * * *
- 30 SECTION 3. SECTION 8324 OF TITLE 24 IS AMENDED BY ADDING A

- 1 SUBSECTION TO READ:
- 2 § 8324. CONTRIBUTIONS FOR PURCHASE OF CREDIT FOR CREDITABLE
- NONSCHOOL SERVICE.
- 4 * * *
- 5 (F) CREDITABLE MATERNITY LEAVE. -- CONTRIBUTIONS ON ACCOUNT OF
- 6 CLASS T-C CREDIT FOR CREDITABLE MATERNITY LEAVE PURSUANT TO
- 7 SECTION 8304(B)(7) SHALL BE DETERMINED BY APPLYING THE MEMBER'S
- 8 BASIC CONTRIBUTION RATE PLUS THE NORMAL CONTRIBUTION RATE AS
- 9 PROVIDED IN SECTION 8328, AT THE TIME OF THE MEMBER'S RETURN TO
- 10 SCHOOL SERVICE, TO THE TOTAL COMPENSATION RECEIVED DURING THE
- 11 FIRST YEAR OF SUBSEQUENT SCHOOL SERVICE, AND MULTIPLYING THE
- 12 PRODUCT BY THE NUMBER OF YEARS AND FRACTIONAL PART OF A YEAR OF
- 13 <u>CREDITABLE SERVICE BEING PURCHASED, TOGETHER WITH STATUTORY</u>
- 14 INTEREST DURING ALL PERIODS OF SUBSEQUENT SCHOOL OR STATE
- 15 SERVICE TO THE DATE OF PURCHASE. THE AMOUNT PAID FOR THE
- 16 PURCHASE OF CREDIT FOR CREDITABLE MATERNITY LEAVE SHALL NOT BE
- 17 ELIGIBLE FOR WITHDRAWAL AS A LUMP SUM UNDER SECTION
- 18 8345(A)(4)(III).
- 19 SECTION 4. SECTION 8346(A) AND (B) OF TITLE 24 ARE AMENDED
- 20 TO READ:
- 21 § 8346. TERMINATION OF ANNUITIES.
- 22 (A) GENERAL RULE. -- IF AN ANNUITANT RETURNS TO SCHOOL SERVICE
- 23 OR ENTERS STATE SERVICE AND ELECTS MULTIPLE SERVICE MEMBERSHIP,
- 24 ANY ANNUITY PAYABLE TO HIM UNDER THIS PART SHALL CEASE AND IN
- 25 THE CASE OF AN ANNUITY OTHER THAN A DISABILITY ANNUITY THE
- 26 PRESENT VALUE OF SUCH ANNUITY, ADJUSTED FOR FULL COVERAGE IN THE
- 27 CASE OF A JOINT COVERAGE MEMBER WHO MAKES THE APPROPRIATE BACK
- 28 CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FULL COVERAGE, SHALL BE FROZEN AS OF THE DATE
- 29 SUCH ANNUITY CEASES. IN THE EVENT THAT THE COST-OF-LIVING
- 30 INCREASE ENACTED DECEMBER 18, 1979 OCCURRED DURING THE PERIOD OF

- 1 SUCH STATE OR SCHOOL EMPLOYMENT, THE FROZEN PRESENT VALUE SHALL
- 2 BE INCREASED, ON OR AFTER THE MEMBER ATTAINS SUPERANNUATION AGE,
- 3 BY THE PERCENT APPLICABLE HAD HE NOT RETURNED TO SERVICE. THIS
- 4 SUBSECTION SHALL NOT APPLY IN THE CASE OF ANY ANNUITANT WHO
- 5 RENDERS SERVICES AS AN ACADEMIC OR DEGREED PROFESSIONAL FOR A
- 6 PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN HALF THE HOURS PERFORMED BY FULL-TIME
- 7 EMPLOYEES IN ANY ONE MONTH TO INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.
- 8 (1) THE EMPLOYEES OF THE HIRING INSTITUTION IN WHICH AN
- 9 ANNUITANT RENDERS SERVICES WHO HAVE SELECTED REPRESENTATIVES
- 10 TO ACT IN THEIR INTERESTS THROUGH COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SHALL
- 11 AUTHORIZE A PERMISSIVE CONTRACT PROVISION UNDER THE TERMS AND
- 12 CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT CLAUSE BEFORE ANNUITANTS MAY
- 13 CONTINUE TO RECEIVE THEIR ANNUITY AS WELL AS PAYMENT FROM THE
- 14 INSTITUTION.
- 15 (2) WHEN EMPLOYEES OF A HIRING INSTITUTION HAVE NOT
- 16 SELECTED REPRESENTATIVES TO BARGAIN COLLECTIVELY IN THEIR
- 17 <u>INTERESTS, ANNUITANTS MAY CONTINUE TO RECEIVE THEIR ANNUITY</u>
- AS WELL AS PAYMENT FROM THE INSTITUTION.
- 19 (3) ANNUITANTS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ALL PROVISIONS OF
- 20 <u>LABOR CONTRACTS IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF THEIR EMPLOYMENT BY</u>
- 21 <u>THE HIRING INSTITUTION.</u>
- 22 (B) RETURN TO SCHOOL SERVICE DURING EMERGENCY.--WHEN, IN THE
- 23 JUDGMENT OF THE EMPLOYER, AN EMERGENCY CREATES AN INCREASE IN
- 24 THE WORK LOAD SUCH THAT THERE IS SERIOUS IMPAIRMENT OF SERVICE
- 25 TO THE PUBLIC OR IN THE EVENT OF A SHORTAGE OF APPROPRIATE
- 26 SUBJECT CERTIFIED TEACHERS, AN ANNUITANT MAY BE RETURNED TO
- 27 SCHOOL SERVICE FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED [75 DAYS] 95 FULL-DAY
- 28 <u>SESSIONS</u> IN ANY SCHOOL YEAR WITHOUT LOSS OF HIS ANNUITY. <u>IN</u>
- 29 COMPUTING THE NUMBER OF DAYS AN ANNUITANT HAS RETURNED TO SCHOOL
- 30 SERVICE, ANY AMOUNT OF TIME LESS THAN ONE-HALF OF A DAY SHALL BE

- 1 COUNTED AS ONE-HALF OF A DAY.
- 2 * * *
- 3 SECTION 5. THE DEFINITION OF "ENFORCEMENT OFFICER" IN
- 4 SECTION 5102 OF TITLE 71 IS AMENDED AND THE SECTION IS AMENDED
- 5 BY ADDING DEFINITIONS TO READ:
- 6 § 5102. DEFINITIONS.
- 7 THE FOLLOWING WORDS AND PHRASES AS USED IN THIS PART, UNLESS
- 8 A DIFFERENT MEANING IS PLAINLY REQUIRED BY THE CONTEXT, SHALL
- 9 HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS:
- 10 * * *
- "ENFORCEMENT OFFICER."
- 12 <u>(1)</u> ANY ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR INVESTIGATOR OF THE
- 13 PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD WHO IS A PEACE OFFICER
- 14 VESTED WITH POLICE POWER AND AUTHORITY THROUGHOUT THE
- 15 COMMONWEALTH AND ANY ADMINISTRATIVE OR SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEE
- 16 OF THE PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD VESTED WITH POLICE
- 17 POWER WHO IS CHARGED WITH THE ADMINISTRATION OR ENFORCEMENT
- 18 OF THE LIQUOR LAWS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.
- 19 (2) ANY ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OR INVESTIGATOR OF THE
- 20 OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL WHO IS A PEACE OFFICER VESTED WITH
- 21 POLICE POWER AND AUTHORITY THROUGHOUT THIS COMMONWEALTH AND
- 22 ANY ADMINISTRATIVE OR SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEE OF THE OFFICE OF
- 23 ATTORNEY GENERAL VESTED WITH POLICE POWER WHO IS CHARGED WITH
- 24 THE ADMINISTRATION OR ENFORCEMENT OF THE CRIMINAL LAWS OF
- THIS COMMONWEALTH.
- 26 * * *
- 27 "INDUCTION." TO BE DRAFTED OR, IF A MEMBER OF A RESERVE
- 28 COMPONENT OF THE ARMED FORCES, TO BE ORDERED ON OR AFTER AUGUST
- 29 <u>2, 1990, INTO ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE OTHER THAN ACTIVE DUTY TO</u>
- 30 MEET PERIODIC TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.

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- 2 "MILITARY OBLIGATION." A DRAFT OBLIGATION OR, IF A MEMBER OF
- 3 A RESERVE COMPONENT OF THE ARMED FORCES, AN ORDER ON OR AFTER
- 4 AUGUST 2, 1990, TO ENTER INTO ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE, OTHER
- 5 THAN AN ORDER TO ENTER INTO ACTIVE DUTY TO MEET PERIODIC
- 6 TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.
- 7 * * *
- 8 <u>"RESERVE COMPONENT OF THE ARMED FORCES." THE UNITED STATES</u>
- 9 ARMY RESERVE, UNITED STATES NAVY RESERVE, UNITED STATES MARINE
- 10 CORPS RESERVE, UNITED STATES COAST GUARD RESERVE, UNITED STATES
- 11 AIR FORCE RESERVE, PENNSYLVANIA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD AND
- 12 PENNSYLVANIA AIR NATIONAL GUARD.
- 13 * * *
- 14 Section 2 6. Section 5302(c) of Title 71 is amended and the <---
- 15 section is amended by adding a subsection SUBSECTIONS to read:
- 16 § 5302. Credited State service.
- 17 * * *
- 18 (c) Credited service as retirement incentive. --
- 19 Notwithstanding any provisions of this title to the contrary,
- 20 for the period February 1, 1991, to September 30 DECEMBER 31,
- 21 1991, any active member AN ACTIVE MEMBER OR MEMBER FURLOUGHED <---
- 22 FROM STATE EMPLOYMENT BETWEEN FEBRUARY 1, 1991, TO DECEMBER 31,
- 23 1991, who is, during such period, 55 years of age or older, or
- 24 will attain 55 years of age between September 30 DECEMBER 31,
- 25 1991, and January 31, 1992, who terminates active service on or
- 26 <u>before September 30 DECEMBER 31, 1991, with ten or more</u>
- 27 eligibility points, and who files an application for retirement
- 28 prior to January 1, 1992, shall be credited with an additional
- 29 10% of his Class A and Class C service. This provision shall not
- 30 apply in the case of active members who are justices, judges or

- 1 district justices, legislators, other elected officials, and
- 2 <u>officers of the Pennsylvania State Police.</u>
- 3 (D) PERSONS WITH DUAL COVERAGES.--THE PROVISIONS OF THIS <-
- 4 PART SHALL APPLY TO PERSONS WHO HAVE DUAL COVERAGE UNDER THE
- 5 PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE STATE
- 6 EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM DURING THE LENGTH OF TIME NECESSARY
- 7 TO FULFILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS PART. HOWEVER, THIS
- 8 PROVISION SHALL APPLY ONLY TO THOSE PERSONS WHO ARE COVERED BOTH
- 9 BY THE PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE STATE
- 10 EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.
- 11 [(c)] (E) Cancellation of credited service.--All
- 12 credited service shall be cancelled if a member withdraws his
- 13 total accumulated deductions.
- 14 SECTION 7. SECTION 5304(C) OF TITLE 71 IS AMENDED TO READ: <

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- 15 § 5304. CREDITABLE NONSTATE SERVICE.
- 16 * * *
- 17 (C) LIMITATIONS ON NONSTATE SERVICE. -- CREDITABLE NONSTATE
- 18 SERVICE CREDIT SHALL BE LIMITED TO:
- 19 (1) INTERVENING MILITARY SERVICE;
- 20 (2) OTHER MILITARY SERVICE NOT EXCEEDING FIVE YEARS;
- 21 (3) SERVICE IN ANY PUBLIC SCHOOL OR PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL
- 22 INSTITUTION IN ANY STATE OTHER THAN THIS COMMONWEALTH OR IN
- 23 ANY TERRITORY OR AREA UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED
- 24 STATES; OR SERVICE AS AN ADMINISTRATOR, TEACHER, OR
- 25 INSTRUCTOR IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION FOR ANY AGENCY OR
- 26 DEPARTMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, WHETHER OR
- 27 NOT SUCH AREA WAS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED
- 28 STATES, THE TOTAL OF SUCH SERVICE NOT EXCEEDING THE LESSER OF
- 29 TEN YEARS OR THE NUMBER OF YEARS OF ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP IN THE
- 30 SYSTEM, AS AN OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF

- 1 EDUCATION OR AS AN ADMINISTRATOR, TEACHER, OR INSTRUCTOR
- 2 EMPLOYED IN ANY STATE-OWNED EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION OR THE
- 3 PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY;
- 4 (4) PREVIOUS SERVICE WITH A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OTHER
- 5 THAN THE COMMONWEALTH WHICH EMPLOYMENT WITH SAID AGENCY WAS
- 6 TERMINATED BECAUSE OF THE TRANSFER BY STATUTE OF THE
- 7 ADMINISTRATION OF SUCH SERVICE OR OF THE ENTIRE AGENCY TO THE
- 8 COMMONWEALTH;
- 9 (5) SERVICE AS A TEMPORARY FEDERAL EMPLOYEE ASSIGNED TO
- 10 AN AIR OUALITY CONTROL COMPLEMENT FOR THE PENNSYLVANIA
- 11 DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AT ANY TIME DURING THE
- 12 PERIOD OF 1970 THROUGH 1975. THIS SERVICE TIME MAY BE
- 13 PURCHASED ONLY IF THE MEMBER MAKES AN ELECTION TO PURCHASE
- 14 WITHIN ONE YEAR OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PARAGRAPH, AND
- 15 THE MEMBER SHALL PAY AN AMOUNT WHICH IS EQUAL TO THE FULL
- 16 ACTUARIAL COST OF THE INCREASED BENEFIT OBTAINED BY VIRTUE OF
- 17 THE PURCHASE AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 5505(F);
- 18 (6) SERVICE IN THE CADET NURSE CORPS WITH RESPECT TO ANY
- 19 PERIOD OF TRAINING AS A STUDENT OR GRADUATE NURSE UNDER A
- 20 PLAN APPROVED UNDER SECTION 2 OF THE ACT OF JUNE 15, 1943
- 21 (PUBLIC LAW 78-73, 57 STAT. 153), IF THE TOTAL PERIOD OF
- 22 TRAINING UNDER SUCH PLAN WAS AT LEAST TWO YEARS, THE CREDIT
- 23 FOR SUCH SERVICE NOT TO EXCEED THREE YEARS; [OR]
- 24 (7) SERVICE PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1971, AT A COMMUNITY
- 25 COLLEGE ESTABLISHED UNDER THE ACT OF AUGUST 24, 1963
- 26 (P.L.1132, NO.484), KNOWN AS THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACT OF
- 27 1963[.]; OR
- 28 (8) PREVIOUS RAILROAD SERVICE BY PERSONS WHO SERVE AS
- 29 RAILROAD INSPECTORS FOR THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY
- 30 COMMISSION.

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- 2 SECTION 8. TITLE 71 IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SECTION TO READ:
- 3 § 5304.1. CREDIT FOR SERVICE WITH ANOTHER STATE GOVERNMENT.
- 4 (A) ELIGIBILITY FOR CREDITED SERVICE. -- A MEMBER WHO WAS
- 5 EMPLOYED BY ANOTHER STATE GOVERNMENT SHALL BE ELIGIBLE FOR
- 6 CREDITED SERVICE FOR THE PERIOD OF TIME DURING WHICH THE MEMBER
- 7 WAS AN EMPLOYEE OF ANOTHER STATE GOVERNMENT.
- 8 (B) LIMITATIONS ON ELIGIBILITY. -- A MEMBER SHALL BE ELIGIBLE
- 9 TO RECEIVE CREDIT FOR SERVICE PROVIDED THAT HE DOES NOT HAVE
- 10 CREDIT FOR SUCH SERVICE IN THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF ANOTHER
- 11 STATE AND IS NOT ENTITLED TO RECEIVE, ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE NOW OR
- 12 <u>IN THE FUTURE OR RECEIVING RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR SUCH SERVICE</u>
- 13 UNDER A RETIREMENT SYSTEM ADMINISTERED AND PAID FOR BY AN AGENCY
- 14 OF ANOTHER STATE GOVERNMENT.
- 15 (C) CONTRIBUTIONS. -- THIS SERVICE TIME MAY BE PURCHASED ONLY
- 16 IF THE MEMBER MAKES AN ELECTION TO PURCHASE WITHIN ONE YEAR OF
- 17 THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION, AND THE MEMBER SHALL PAY AN
- 18 AMOUNT THAT IS EQUAL TO THE FULL ACTUARIAL COST OF THE INCREASED
- 19 BENEFIT OBTAINED BY VIRTUE OF THE PURCHASE AS PROVIDED IN
- 20 SECTION 5505(F) (RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE PURCHASE OF
- 21 CREDIT FOR CREDITABLE NONSTATE SERVICE).
- 22 Section 3. Sections 9. SECTION 5308.1, 5508(c), 5706(a),

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- 23 5901(e) and 5902(b) and (h) AND 5706(A) of Title 71 are IS
- 24 amended to read:
- 25 § 5308.1. Eligibility for special early retirement.
- 26 Notwithstanding any provisions of this title to the contrary,
- 27 [for the period only of July 1, 1985, to September 30, 1991,]
- 28 the following special early retirement provisions shall be
- 29 applicable to specified eligible members as follows:
- 30 (1) During the period of July 1, 1985, to [September 30,

- 1 1991] the effective date of paragraph (3), an active member
- who has attained the age of at least 53 years and has accrued
- 3 at least 30 eligibility points shall be entitled, upon
- 4 termination of State service and compliance with section
- 5 5907(f) (relating to rights and duties of State employees and
- 6 members), to receive a maximum single life annuity calculated
- 7 under section 5702 (relating to maximum single life annuity)
- 8 without a reduction by virtue of an effective date of
- 9 retirement which is under the superannuation age.
- 10 (2) During the period of July 1, 1985, to {September 30, <
- 11 1991] the effective date of paragraph (3), an active member
- who has attained the age of at least 50 years but not greater
- than 53 years and has accrued at least 30 eligibility points
- shall be entitled, upon termination of State service and
- compliance with section 5907(f), to receive a maximum single
- life annuity calculated under section 5702 with a reduction
- 17 by virtue of an effective date of retirement which is under
- 18 the superannuation age of a percentage factor which shall be
- 19 determined by multiplying the number of months, including a
- 20 fraction of a month as a full month, by which the effective
- 21 date of retirement precedes the attainment of age 53 by
- 22 0.25%.
- 23 (3) From the effective date of this paragraph to June
- 24 <u>30, 1993, a member who has credit for at least 30 eliqibility</u>
- 25 <u>points shall be entitled, upon termination of service and</u>
- 26 <u>filing of a proper application, to receive a maximum single</u>
- 27 life annuity calculated pursuant to section 5702 without any
- 28 <u>reduction by virtue of an effective date of retirement which</u>
- is under the superannuation age.
- 30 SECTION 10. SECTION 5505(F) OF TITLE 71 IS AMENDED AND THE

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- 1 SECTION IS AMENDED BY ADDING A SUBSECTION TO READ:
- 2 § 5505. CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE PURCHASE OF CREDIT FOR CREDITABLE
- NONSTATE SERVICE.
- 4 * * *
- 5 (F) TEMPORARY FEDERAL SERVICE AND SERVICE WITH ANOTHER STATE
- 6 GOVERNMENT.--
- 7 (1) CONTRIBUTIONS ON ACCOUNT OF CREDIT FOR SERVICE AS A
- 8 TEMPORARY FEDERAL EMPLOYEE ASSIGNED TO AN AIR QUALITY CONTROL
- 9 COMPLEMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES
- 10 DURING THE PERIOD OF 1970 THROUGH 1975, AS AUTHORIZED IN
- 11 SECTION 5304(C)(5) (RELATING TO CREDITABLE NONSTATE SERVICE)
- 12 AND AS AN EMPLOYEE OF ANOTHER STATE GOVERNMENT, AS AUTHORIZED
- 13 <u>IN SECTION 5304.1 (RELATING TO CREDIT FOR SERVICE WITH</u>
- 14 ANOTHER STATE GOVERNMENT), SHALL BE EQUAL TO THE FULL
- 15 ACTUARIAL COST OF THE INCREASED BENEFIT OBTAINED BY VIRTUE OF
- 16 THE PURCHASE. THE INCREASED BENEFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE
- 17 PURCHASED SERVICE SHALL BE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN:
- 18 [(1)] (I) THE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF A STANDARD SINGLE
- 19 LIFE ANNUITY, BEGINNING AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE
- 20 SUPERANNUATION AGE, CALCULATED ASSUMING NO FUTURE SALARY
- 21 INCREASES, ASSUMING CREDIT FOR THE SERVICE TO BE
- 22 PURCHASED; AND
- 23 [(2)] (II) THE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF A STANDARD SINGLE
- 24 LIFE ANNUITY, CALCULATED ON THE SAME BASIS, BUT EXCLUDING
- 25 CREDIT FOR THE SERVICE TO BE PURCHASED.
- 26 THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE SUPERANNUATION AGE SHALL BE THE AGE AT
- 27 WHICH THE MEMBER BECOMES FIRST ELIGIBLE FOR SUPERANNUATION
- 28 RETIREMENT ASSUMING CONTINUED FULL-TIME SERVICE AND CREDIT
- 29 FOR THE AMOUNT OF SERVICE WHICH THE MEMBER HAS ELECTED TO
- 30 PURCHASE, OR THE CURRENT ATTAINED AGE OF THE MEMBER,

- 1 WHICHEVER IS LATER. THE FULL ACTUARIAL COST OF THE INCREASED
- 2 BENEFIT ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE PURCHASED SERVICE SHALL BE THE
- 3 ACTUARIAL PRESENT VALUE OF A DEFERRED ANNUITY EQUAL TO THE
- 4 AMOUNT OF THE INCREASED BENEFIT DETERMINED ABOVE, BEGINNING
- 5 AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE SUPERANNUATION AGE AND PAYABLE FOR
- 6 LIFE, CALCULATED USING A PRERETIREMENT INTEREST ASSUMPTION OF
- 7 1.5%, A POSTRETIREMENT INTEREST ASSUMPTION OF 4%, NO
- 8 PRERETIREMENT MORTALITY ASSUMPTION AND STANDARD
- 9 POSTRETIREMENT MORTALITY ASSUMPTIONS. THE PURCHASE PAYMENT
- 10 SHALL BE MADE IN LUMP SUM BY THE MEMBER WITHIN 30 DAYS OF
- 11 CERTIFICATION BY THE BOARD OF THE REQUIRED PURCHASE AMOUNT OR
- 12 MAY BE AMORTIZED THROUGH SALARY DEDUCTIONS IN AMOUNTS AGREED
- 13 UPON BY THE MEMBER AND THE BOARD WITH INTEREST PAYABLE ON THE
- 14 UNPAID BALANCE AT THE RATE APPLICABLE TO THE MOST RECENTLY
- 15 ISSUED 30-YEAR BONDS OF THE UNITED STATES TREASURY
- 16 DEPARTMENT.
- 17 (2) THE AMOUNT PAID FOR THE PURCHASE OF SERVICE CREDIT
- 18 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT BE PAYABLE AS A LUMP SUM
- 19 WITHDRAWAL UNDER SECTION 5705(A)(4)(III) (RELATING TO
- 20 <u>MEMBER'S OPTIONS</u>).
- 21 (G) JUSTICE OF THE PEACE SERVICE. -- CONTRIBUTIONS ON ACCOUNT
- 22 OF CREDIT FOR SERVICE AS A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE SHALL BE
- 23 DETERMINED BY THE BOARD TO BE EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT HE OR SHE
- 24 WOULD HAVE PAID AS EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS TOGETHER WITH
- 25 STATUTORY INTEREST TO DATE OF PURCHASE HAD HE OR SHE BEEN A
- 26 STATE EMPLOYEE DURING HIS OR HER PERIOD OF SERVICE AS A JUSTICE
- 27 OF THE PEACE FOR THE COMMONWEALTH PLUS THE AMOUNT DETERMINED BY
- 28 APPLYING THE COMMONWEALTH NORMAL CONTRIBUTION RATE FOR ACTIVE
- 29 MEMBERS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DISTRICT JUSTICE SYSTEM AS OF
- 30 JANUARY 1970 TO THE STARTING SALARY OF THE DISTRICT JUSTICE FOR

- 1 THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH THE MEMBER WAS ELECTED DATING
- 2 FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE DISTRICT JUSTICE SYSTEM AS OF JANUARY
- 3 1970 AND MULTIPLYING THE RESULT BY THE NUMBER OF YEARS AND
- 4 FRACTIONAL PART OF A YEAR OF CREDITABLE SERVICE BEING PURCHASED
- 5 TOGETHER WITH STATUTORY INTEREST FROM ENTRY INTO STATE SERVICE
- 6 AS A DISTRICT JUSTICE TO THE DATE OF PURCHASE. THE AMOUNT SO
- 7 DETERMINED BY THE STATE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT BOARD TO BE PAID
- 8 INTO THE STATE EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM SHALL BE THE
- 9 OBLIGATION OF THE JUSTICE WHO REQUESTED CREDIT FOR PREVIOUS
- 10 SERVICE AS A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE FOR THE COMMONWEALTH PRIOR TO
- 11 1970. A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE DESIRING TO PURCHASE HIS OR HER
- 12 SERVICE TIME PRIOR TO 1970 SHALL HAVE BEEN ELECTED OR APPOINTED
- 13 A DISTRICT JUSTICE ANY TIME DURING OR AFTER 1970. THE CLASS THAT
- 14 HE OR SHE IS TO ENTER IN THE PENSION SYSTEM SHALL BE DETERMINED
- 15 BY THE TIME OF HIS OR HER ENTRY INTO THE DISTRICT JUSTICE
- 16 SYSTEM. IT SHALL BE INCUMBENT UPON THE DISTRICT JUSTICE TO
- 17 CERTIFY TO THE BOARD WITH A COPY OF HIS OR HER COMMISSION OR
- 18 COMMISSIONS THE AMOUNT OF TIME THAT HE OR SHE SERVED THE
- 19 COMMONWEALTH AS A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. THE SALARY DOLLAR AMOUNT
- 20 THAT SHALL BE USED IN THE FORMULA FOR DETERMINING THE MEMBER'S
- 21 CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE EQUAL TO THE STARTING SALARY OF THE
- 22 DISTRICT JUSTICE FOR THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH HE OR SHE
- 23 WAS ELECTED, DATING FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE DISTRICT JUSTICE
- 24 SYSTEM AS OF JANUARY 1970. IN NO EVENT SHALL SUCH AN AMOUNT BE
- 25 THE OBLIGATION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OR THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE
- 26 <u>JUSTICE SERVED.</u>
- 27 SECTION 11. SECTIONS 5508(C), 5706(A), 5902(A) AND 5903(A)
- 28 AND (B) OF TITLE 71 ARE AMENDED TO READ:
- 29 § 5508. Actuarial cost method.
- 30 * * *

- 1 (c) Accrued liability contribution rate. -- For the fiscal
- 2 year beginning July 1, 1969, the accrued liability contribution
- 3 rate shall be computed as the rate of total compensation of all
- 4 active members which shall be certified by the actuary as
- 5 sufficient to fund over a period of 30 years from such date the
- 6 present value of the liabilities for all prospective benefits,
- 7 except supplemental benefits as provided in section 5708, in
- 8 excess of the total assets in the fund, excluding the balance in
- 9 the supplemental annuity account, and the present value of
- 10 employer normal contributions and of member contributions
- 11 payable with respect to all active members on such date during
- 12 the remainder of their active service, assuming that the total
- 13 compensation of all active members will increase at the annual
- 14 rate of 4% compounded annually. Thereafter, the amount of each
- 15 annual accrued liability contribution shall be at least 4%
- 16 greater than the amount of such contribution for the previous
- 17 fiscal year, except that, if the accrued liability is increased
- 18 by legislation enacted subsequent to July 1, 1969, such
- 19 additional liability, except as provided for by section 5302(c)
- 20 (relating to credited State service), shall be funded over a
- 21 period of 30 years from the first day of July, coincident with
- 22 or next following the effective date of the increase assuming
- 23 that the total compensation of all active members will increase
- 24 at the annual rate of 4% compounded annually. The added
- 25 <u>liability created by the enactment of section 5302(c) shall be</u>
- 26 <u>funded over a period of ten years from July 1, 1991 1992, on a</u>
- 27 uniform annual dollar amount over that period. The accrued
- 28 liability contributions under this section shall be discontinued
- 29 as soon as the total assets in the fund, excluding the balance
- 30 in the supplemental annuity account, equals the present value of

- 1 the liability for all prospective benefits, except the
- 2 supplemental benefits as provided in section 5708, less the
- 3 present value of the prospective employer normal contributions
- 4 and of member contributions payable with respect to all active
- 5 members on such date during the remainder of their active
- 6 service.
- 7 * * *
- 8 § 5706. Termination of annuities.
- 9 (a) General rule.--If the annuitant returns to State service
- 10 or enters school service and elects multiple service membership,
- 11 any annuity payable to him under this part shall cease and in
- 12 the case of an annuity other than a disability annuity the
- 13 present value of such annuity, adjusted for full coverage in the
- 14 case of a joint coverage member who makes the appropriate back
- 15 contributions for full coverage, shall be frozen as of the date
- 16 such annuity ceases. An annuitant who is credited with an
- 17 <u>additional 10% of Class A and Class C service as provided in</u>
- 18 section 5302(c) (relating to credited State service) and who
- 19 returns to State service shall forfeit such credited service and
- 20 shall have his frozen present value adjusted as if his 10%
- 21 retirement incentive had not been applied to his account. In the
- 22 event that the cost-of-living increase enacted December 18,
- 23 1979, occurred during the period of such State or school
- 24 employment, the frozen present value shall be increased, on or
- 25 after the member attains superannuation age, by the percent
- 26 applicable had he not returned to service. This subsection shall

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- 27 not apply in the case of any annuitant [who]:
- 28 (1) WHO may render services to the Commonwealth in the
- 29 capacity of an independent contractor or as a member of an
- independent board or commission or as a member of a

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Τ	departmental administrative or advisory board or commission	
2	when such members of independent or departmental boards or	
3	commissions are compensated on a per diem basis for not more	
4	than 100 days per calendar year.	
5	(2) WHO RENDERS SERVICES AS AN ACADEMIC OR DEGREED	<
6	PROFESSIONAL FOR A PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN HALF THE HOURS	
7	PERFORMED BY FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES IN ANY ONE MONTH TO	
8	INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION.	
9	(I) THE EMPLOYEES OF THE HIRING INSTITUTION IN WHICH	
10	AN ANNUITANT RENDERS SERVICES WHO HAVE SELECTED	
11	REPRESENTATIVES TO ACT IN THEIR INTERESTS THROUGH	
12	COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SHALL AUTHORIZE A PERMISSIVE	
13	CONTRACT PROVISION UNDER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF	
14	EMPLOYMENT CLAUSE BEFORE ANNUITANTS MAY CONTINUE TO	
15	RECEIVE THEIR ANNUITY AS WELL AS PAYMENT FROM THE	
16	INSTITUTION.	
17	(II) WHEN EMPLOYEES OF A HIRING INSTITUTION HAVE NOT	
18	SELECTED REPRESENTATIVES TO BARGAIN COLLECTIVELY IN THEIR	
19	INTERESTS, ANNUITANTS MAY CONTINUE TO RECEIVE THEIR	
20	ANNUITY AS WELL AS PAYMENT FROM THE INSTITUTION.	
21	(III) ANNUITANTS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO ALL PROVISIONS	
22	OF LABOR CONTRACTS IN EFFECT AT THE TIME OF THEIR	
23	EMPLOYMENT BY THE HIRING INSTITUTION.	
24	* * *	
25	§ 5901. The State Employees' Retirement Board.	<
26	<u>* * *</u>	
27	(e) Corporate power and legal advisor. For the purposes of	
28	this part, the board shall possess the power and privileges of a	
29	corporation. The [Attorney General of the Commonwealth] counsel	
30	employed by the board shall be the legal advisor of the board.	

- 1 § 5902. Administrative duties of the board.
- 2 * * *
- 3 (b) Professional personnel. The board shall contract for
- 4 the services of a chief medical examiner, an actuary, investment
- 5 advisors and counselors, and such other professional personnel
- 6 as it deems advisable. The board [may, with the approval of the
- 7 Attorney General, shall have the power to contract for legal
- 8 services.
- 9 * * *
- 10 (h) Regulations and procedures. The board shall, with the
- 11 advice of the [Attorney General] board counsel and the actuary,
- 12 adopt and promulgate rules and regulations for the uniform
- 13 administration of the system. The actuary shall approve in
- 14 writing all computational procedures used in the calculation of
- 15 contributions and benefits prior to their application by the
- 16 board.
- 17 * * *
- 18 § 5902. ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES OF THE BOARD.
- 19 (A) EMPLOYEES.--THE SECRETARY, CLERICAL, AND OTHER EMPLOYEES

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- 20 OF THE BOARD AND THEIR SUCCESSORS WHOSE POSITIONS ON THE
- 21 EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PART ARE UNDER THE CLASSIFIED SERVICE
- 22 PROVISIONS OF THE ACT OF AUGUST 5, 1941 (P.L.752, NO.286), KNOWN
- 23 AS THE ["]CIVIL SERVICE ACT["], SHALL CONTINUE UNDER SUCH
- 24 PROVISIONS. THE COMPENSATION OF ALL OTHER PERSONS APPOINTED
- 25 SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THE BOARD AND SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH
- 26 THE STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THIS
- 27 COMMONWEALTH. THE SECRETARY SHALL ACT AS CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE
- 28 OFFICER FOR THE BOARD. IN ADDITION TO OTHER POWERS AND DUTIES
- 29 CONFERRED UPON AND DELEGATED TO THE SECRETARY BY THE BOARD, THE
- 30 SECRETARY SHALL:

- 1 (1) SERVE AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT OF THE BOARD.
- 2 (2) SERVE AS LIAISON BETWEEN THE BOARD AND APPLICABLE
- 3 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES, THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, THE
- 4 DEPARTMENT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL, AND BETWEEN THE BOARD AND
- 5 THE INVESTMENT COUNSEL AND THE MORTGAGE SUPERVISOR IN
- 6 ARRANGING FOR INVESTMENTS TO SECURE MAXIMUM RETURNS TO THE
- 7 FUND.
- 8 (3) REVIEW AND ANALYZE PROPOSED LEGISLATION AND
- 9 LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENTS AFFECTING THE SYSTEM AND PRESENT
- 10 FINDINGS TO THE BOARD, LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES, AND OTHER
- 11 INTERESTED GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS.
- 12 (4) DIRECT THE MAINTENANCE OF FILES AND RECORDS AND
- PREPARATION OF PERIODIC REPORTS REQUIRED FOR ACTUARIAL
- 14 EVALUATION STUDIES.
- 15 (5) RECEIVE INQUIRIES AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION
- 16 CONCERNING THE SYSTEM FROM THE PRESS, COMMONWEALTH OFFICIALS,
- 17 STATE EMPLOYEES, THE GENERAL PUBLIC, RESEARCH ORGANIZATIONS,
- 18 AND OFFICIALS AND ORGANIZATIONS FROM OTHER STATES, AND
- 19 PROVIDE INFORMATION AS AUTHORIZED BY THE BOARD.
- 20 (6) SUPERVISE A STAFF OF ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND
- 21 CLERICAL EMPLOYEES ENGAGED IN RECORD-KEEPING AND CLERICAL
- 22 PROCESSING ACTIVITIES IN MAINTAINING FILES OF MEMBERS,
- 23 ACCOUNTING FOR CONTRIBUTIONS, PROCESSING PAYMENTS TO
- 24 ANNUITANTS, [AND] PREPARING REQUIRED REPORTS, AND RETIREMENT
- 25 COUNSELING.
- 26 * * *
- 27 § 5903. DUTIES OF THE BOARD TO ADVISE AND REPORT TO HEADS OF
- DEPARTMENTS AND MEMBERS.
- 29 (A) MANUAL OF REGULATIONS. -- THE BOARD SHALL, WITH THE ADVICE
- 30 OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE ACTUARY, PREPARE AND PROVIDE,

- 1 WITHIN 90 DAYS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS PART, A MANUAL
- 2 INCORPORATING RULES AND REGULATIONS CONSISTENT WITH THE
- 3 PROVISIONS OF THIS PART TO THE HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS [AND THEIR
- 4 RESPECTIVE RETIREMENT COUNSELORS] WHO SHALL MAKE THE INFORMATION
- 5 CONTAINED THEREIN AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP. THE BOARD
- 6 SHALL THEREAFTER ADVISE THE HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS WITHIN 90 DAYS
- 7 OF ANY CHANGES IN SUCH RULES AND REGULATIONS DUE TO CHANGES IN
- 8 THE LAW OR DUE TO CHANGES IN ADMINISTRATIVE POLICIES.
- 9 (B) MEMBER STATUS STATEMENTS AND CERTIFICATIONS.--THE BOARD
- 10 SHALL FURNISH ANNUALLY TO THE HEAD OF EACH DEPARTMENT ON OR
- 11 BEFORE APRIL 1, A STATEMENT FOR EACH MEMBER EMPLOYED IN SUCH
- 12 DEPARTMENT SHOWING THE TOTAL ACCUMULATED DEDUCTIONS STANDING TO
- 13 HIS CREDIT AS OF DECEMBER 31 OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR AND REQUESTING
- 14 THE MEMBER TO MAKE ANY NECESSARY CORRECTIONS OR REVISIONS
- 15 REGARDING HIS DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY. IN ADDITION, FOR EACH
- 16 MEMBER EMPLOYED IN ANY DEPARTMENT AND FOR WHOM THE [RETIREMENT
- 17 COUNSELOR] DEPARTMENT HAS FURNISHED THE NECESSARY INFORMATION,
- 18 THE BOARD SHALL CERTIFY THE NUMBER OF YEARS AND FRACTIONAL PART
- 19 OF A YEAR OF CREDITED SERVICE ATTRIBUTABLE TO EACH CLASS OF
- 20 SERVICE, THE NUMBER OF YEARS AND FRACTIONAL PART OF A YEAR
- 21 ATTRIBUTABLE TO SOCIAL SECURITY INTEGRATION CREDITS IN EACH
- 22 CLASS OF SERVICE AND, IN THE CASE OF A MEMBER ELIGIBLE TO
- 23 RECEIVE AN ANNUITY, THE BENEFIT TO WHICH HE IS ENTITLED UPON THE
- 24 ATTAINMENT OF SUPERANNUATION AGE.
- 25 * * *
- 26 SECTION 12. SECTION 5905 OF TITLE 71 IS AMENDED BY ADDING A
- 27 SUBSECTION TO READ:
- 28 § 5905. DUTIES OF THE BOARD REGARDING APPLICATIONS AND
- 29 ELECTIONS OF MEMBERS.
- 30 * * *

- 1 (C.1) TERMINATION OF SERVICE.--THE BOARD SHALL, IN THE CASE
- 2 OF ANY MEMBER TERMINATING STATE SERVICE WHO IS ENTITLED TO AN
- 3 ANNUITY, ADVISE SUCH MEMBER IN WRITING OF ANY BENEFITS TO WHICH
- 4 HE MAY BE ENTITLED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PART AND SHALL
- 5 HAVE THE MEMBER PREPARE, ON OR BEFORE THE DATE OF TERMINATION OF
- 6 STATE SERVICE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING THREE FORMS, A COPY OF WHICH
- 7 SHALL BE GIVEN TO THE MEMBER AND THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH SHALL BE
- 8 FILED WITH THE BOARD:
- 9 <u>(1) AN APPLICATION FOR THE RETURN OF TOTAL ACCUMULATED</u>
- 10 <u>DEDUCTIONS; OR</u>
- 11 (2) AN ELECTION TO VEST HIS RETIREMENT RIGHTS, AND IF HE
- 12 IS A JOINT COVERAGE MEMBER AND SO DESIRES, ELECT TO BECOME A
- 13 FULL COVERAGE MEMBER AND AGREE TO PAY WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE
- 14 DATE OF TERMINATION OF SERVICE THE LUMP SUM REQUIRED; OR
- 15 <u>(3) AN APPLICATION FOR AN IMMEDIATE ANNUITY, AND IF HE</u>
- 16 DESIRES:
- 17 (I) AN ELECTION TO CONVERT HIS MEDICAL, MAJOR
- 18 MEDICAL AND HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE COVERAGE TO THE
- 19 PLAN FOR STATE ANNUITANTS; AND
- 20 (II) IF HE IS A JOINT COVERAGE MEMBER, AN ELECTION
- TO BECOME A FULL COVERAGE MEMBER AND AN AGREEMENT TO PAY
- 22 WITHIN 30 DAYS OF DATE OF TERMINATION OF SERVICE THE LUMP
- 23 <u>SUM REQUIRED.</u>
- 24 * * *
- 25 SECTION 13. SECTION 5906(F) AND (J) OF TITLE 71 ARE AMENDED
- 26 TO READ:
- 27 § 5906. DUTIES OF HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS.
- 28 * * *
- 29 [(F) RETIREMENT COUNSELOR. -- THE HEAD OF DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 30 DESIGNATE AN EMPLOYEE OF HIS DEPARTMENT TO SERVE AS A RETIREMENT

- 1 COUNSELOR SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BOARD. SUCH RETIREMENT
- 2 COUNSELOR SHALL ASSIST THE HEAD OF DEPARTMENT IN ADVISING THE
- 3 EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THEIR RIGHTS AND DUTIES AS
- 4 MEMBERS OF THE SYSTEM.]
- 5 * * *
- 6 (J) TERMINATION OF SERVICE. -- THE HEAD OF DEPARTMENT SHALL,
- 7 IN THE CASE OF ANY MEMBER TERMINATING STATE SERVICE WHO IS
- 8 <u>INELIGIBLE FOR AN IMMEDIATE ANNUITY</u>, ADVISE SUCH MEMBER IN
- 9 WRITING OF ANY BENEFITS TO WHICH HE MAY BE ENTITLED UNDER THE
- 10 PROVISIONS OF THIS PART AND SHALL HAVE THE MEMBER PREPARE, ON OR
- 11 BEFORE THE DATE OF TERMINATION OF STATE SERVICE [ONE OF THE
- 12 FOLLOWING THREE FORMS, A COPY OF WHICH SHALL BE GIVEN TO THE
- 13 MEMBER AND THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH SHALL BE FILED WITH THE BOARD:
- 14 (1)] AN APPLICATION FOR THE RETURN OF TOTAL ACCUMULATED
- 15 DEDUCTIONS[; OR
- 16 (2) AN ELECTION TO VEST HIS RETIREMENT RIGHTS, AND IF HE
- 17 IS A JOINT COVERAGE MEMBER AND SO DESIRES, ELECT TO BECOME A
- 18 FULL COVERAGE MEMBER AND AGREE TO PAY WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE
- 19 DATE OF TERMINATION OF SERVICE THE LUMP SUM REQUIRED; OR
- 20 (3) AN APPLICATION FOR AN IMMEDIATE ANNUITY; AND IF HE
- 21 DESIRES,
- 22 (I) AN ELECTION TO CONVERT HIS MEDICAL, MAJOR
- 23 MEDICAL, AND HOSPITALIZATION INSURANCE COVERAGE TO THE
- 24 PLAN FOR STATE ANNUITANTS; AND
- 25 (II) IF HE IS A JOINT COVERAGE MEMBER, AN ELECTION
- 26 TO BECOME A FULL COVERAGE MEMBER AND AN AGREEMENT TO PAY
- 27 WITHIN 30 DAYS OF DATE OF TERMINATION OF SERVICE THE LUMP
- 28 SUM REQUIRED].
- 29 * * *
- 30 Section 4 14. Upon the effective date of this act, the State \leftarrow

- 1 Employees' Retirement Board shall recompute the retirement
- 2 benefits of annuitants who filed applications for retirement in
- 3 accordance with 71 Pa.C.S. § 5302(c) but prior to the effective
- 4 date of this act.
- 5 Section 5. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the <----
- 6 Public School Employees' Retirement Board and the State
- 7 Employees' Retirement Board be independent agencies within the
- 8 meaning the act of October 15, 1980 (P.L.950, No.164), known as
- 9 the Commonwealth Attorneys Act. Accordingly, within 60 days of
- 10 the effective date of this act, the Public School Employees'
- 11 Retirement Board and the State Employees' Retirement Board shall
- 12 each employ counsel for the respective boards.
- 13 Section 6 5. This act shall take effect immediately.
- 14 SECTION 15. ANY EMPLOYEE OF THE OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL
- 15 WHO COMES WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF "ENFORCEMENT OFFICER" UNDER
- 16 71 PA.C.S. § 5102 SHALL RECEIVE CREDITED SERVICE AS AN
- 17 ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR PREVIOUS SERVICE IN ANOTHER AGENCY OF
- 18 STATE GOVERNMENT IN WHICH HE PERFORMED SERVICES NOW PERFORMED BY
- 19 THE OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL AND FOR SERVICE IN THE OFFICE OF
- 20 ATTORNEY GENERAL PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS AMENDATORY
- 21 ACT.
- 22 SECTION 16. THE ADDITION OF 71 PA.C.S. § 5304.1 SHALL APPLY
- 23 TO INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE MEMBERS OF THE STATE EMPLOYEES'
- 24 RETIREMENT SYSTEM ON MARCH 1, 1991.
- 25 SECTION 17. (A) THE AMENDMENTS OF 24 PA.C.S. § 8102 AND 71
- 26 PA.C.S. § 5102 SHALL BE RETROACTIVE TO AUGUST 2, 1990.
- 27 (B) THE ADDITION OF 71 PA.C.S. § 5304.1 SHALL BE RETROACTIVE
- 28 TO MARCH 1, 1991.
- 29 SECTION 18. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AS FOLLOWS:
- 30 (1) THE AMENDMENTS OF THE DEFINITION OF "RETIREMENT

- COUNSELOR" IN 71 PA.C.S. § 5102 AND THE AMENDMENTS TO 71 1
- 2 PA.C.S. §§ 5902(A)(6), 5903(A) AND (B), 5905(C.1), REPEALING
- 3 71 PA.C.S. § 5906(F) AND AMENDING 71 PA.C.S. § 5906(J) SHALL
- 4 TAKE EFFECT ON THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE PENNSYLVANIA
- 5 BULLETIN OF A CERTIFICATION BY THE STATE EMPLOYEES'
- 6 RETIREMENT BOARD THAT THE SEVEN-OFFICE STATEWIDE RETIREMENT
- 7 COUNSELING FIELD OFFICE NETWORK IS FULLY IMPLEMENTED.
- 8 (2) THE REMAINDER OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT
- 9 IMMEDIATELY.