

Amount of additional annuity.

When such payments to begin.

Act effective immediately.

*withdrawing from service in the city, an additional annuity, pro-rated on a monthly basis, as a one-twelfth addition to the monthly payments due on his regular pension, sufficient in amount that the total monthly payments received by him for regular pension and additional annuity combined shall equal the amount of the regular pension which he would have been entitled to receive if he had withdrawn from service in the city on and as of the first day of August, one thousand nine hundred fifty-three. Such additional annuity payments shall begin on the date on which the regular monthly pension payment is next due, after such contribution and interest have been paid.*

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

APPROVED—The 29th day of July, A. D. 1953.

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No. 253

AN ACT

To amend the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 30), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," by further providing for sabbatical leaves of absence and for contributions to the School Employees' Retirement Fund during such leaves of absence.

"Public School Code of 1949."

Section 1166, act of March 10, 1949, P. L. 30, as last amended by act of December 27, 1951, P. L. 1791, further amended.

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

Section 1. Section one thousand one hundred sixty-six of the act, approved the tenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 30), entitled "An act relating to the public school system, including certain provisions applicable as well to private and parochial schools; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," as last amended by the act, approved the 27th day of December, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1791), is hereby further amended to read as follows:

Section 1166. Persons Entitled.—(a) Any person employed in the public school system of this Commonwealth who has completed ten (10) years of satisfactory service as a professional employe or member of the supervisory, instructional or administrative staff, or, in first class school districts, as a member of the instructional staff, as defined by the local board of education, shall be entitled to a leave of absence for restoration of

health, study or travel, or, at the discretion of the board of school directors, for other purposes. At least five consecutive years of such service shall have been in the school district from which leave of absence is sought, unless the board of school directors shall in its discretion allow a shorter time. Such leave of absence shall be for a half or full school [year] *term*, or for two half school [years] *terms* during a period of two years, at the option of such person. Thereafter, one leave of absence shall be allowed after each seven years of service.

A sabbatical leave granted to a regular employe shall also operate as a leave of absence without pay from all other school activities.

Section 2. Section one thousand one hundred seventy of said act is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1170,  
said act,  
amended.

Section 1170. Rights Retained. — Every employe, while on sabbatical leave of absence, shall be considered to be in regular full-time daily attendance in the position from which the sabbatical leave was taken, during the period of said leave, for the purpose of determining the employe's length of service and the right to receive increments, as provided by law.

Every person on leave of absence shall [retain the right to make contributions as a member of the School Employes' Retirement Fund and continue his or her membership therein] *continue his or her membership in the School Employes' Retirement Association. The school district shall pay into the School Employes' Retirement Fund on behalf of each such employe on leave, in addition to the contributions required by law to be made by it, the full amount of the contribution required by law to be paid by the employe, as though said employe were actually in regular full-time daily attendance in the position from which the sabbatical leave was taken, so that such employe's retirement rights shall be in no way affected by such leave of absence. The amount of the contribution required to be paid by the employe shall be deducted from any compensation payable to the employe while on leave.*

Nothing in this subdivision of this article shall be construed to prevent any person on leave of absence from receiving a grant for further study from any institution of learning.

APPROVED—The 29th day of July, A. D. 1953.

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