

*especially engaged for such purpose.* At such hearing, the board shall inquire as to the equity of the assessment appealed from in relation to other similar assessments, as well as to the proper value of the subject or object assessed, and after such hearing shall make such order as to it seems just and equitable, affirming, raising or lowering the assessment appealed from. The order of the board shall be entered in the minutes of the board, and a copy of such order shall be delivered to the person who appealed, either in person or by mail, to the address shown in the statement of intention to appeal, within five days after the hearing on such appeal. The chief assessor and such assistant assessors as he or the board may designate, shall attend each hearing and shall furnish the board with such information relating to the assessment appealed from, as the board may desire. Either the board or the person appealing may call such witnesses as they desire and as may be permitted under the rules of the board, and the board may examine such witnesses under oath. For the purpose of examining witnesses, any member of the board shall be competent to administer oaths.

APPROVED—The 27th day of September, A. D. 1955.

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No. 156

AN ACT

Amending the act of May two, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 872), entitled "An act granting credit toward pension or retirement benefits of certain members of the police force employed by political subdivisions for time spent in military service of the United States", granting credit for military service during armed conflicts.

Pension or retirement benefits.

Section 1, act of May 2, 1949, P. L. 872, amended.

Certain policemen entitled to credit for time spent in military service.

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

Section 1. Section one, act of May two, one thousand nine hundred forty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 872), entitled "An act granting credit toward pension or retirement benefits of certain members of the police force employed by political subdivisions for time spent in the military service of the United States," is amended to read:

Section 1. Any member of the police force employed by a political subdivision who has been a regularly appointed employe of any such political subdivision for a period of at least six months and who thereafter shall, heretofore or hereafter, be inducted into the military