

Tolls, collections, reimbursement of Motor License Fund, cessation of tolls, and return of bridge to State highways system.

Section 3. After the completion of any such bridge and the approaches thereto, the Department of Highways shall provide for the collection of tolls until such tolls have been sufficient to reimburse the Motor License Fund for all costs, including the salaries of toll takers and maintenance and repair of such bridge during the period tolls are collected. As soon as the Motor License Fund has been reimbursed for all costs, any such bridge shall be freed from toll and shall become a part of the system of State highways to be administered, by the Department of Highways, under the provisions of present or future laws governing the reconstruction and maintenance of State highways.

Appropriations from Motor License Fund.

Section 4. So much of the money in the Motor License Fund, from time to time, as may be needed to carry out the provisions of this act, is hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Highways for such purposes.

Act effective immediately.

Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of June, A. D. 1956.

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No. 664

AN ACT

Amending the act of July eighteen, one thousand nine hundred seventeen (Pamphlet Laws 1043), entitled "An act establishing a public school employes' retirement system, and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof; establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing employes, defining the uses and purposes thereof and the manner of payments therefrom, and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds; imposing powers and duties upon boards having the employment of public school employes; exempting annuities, allowances, returns, benefits, and rights from taxation and judicial process; and providing penalties," by defining "final salary."

Public school employes' retirement system.

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

Clause (17), section 1, act of July 18, 1917, P. L. 1043, amended December 27, 1951, P. L. 1739, further amended.

Section 1. Clause (17) of section one of the act of July eighteen, one thousand nine hundred seventeen (Pamphlet Laws 1043), entitled "An act establishing a public school employes' retirement system, and creating a retirement board for the administration thereof; establishing certain funds from contributions by the Commonwealth and contributing employes, defining the uses and purposes thereof and the manner of payments therefrom, and providing for the guaranty by the Commonwealth of certain of said funds; imposing powers

and duties upon boards having the employment of public school employes; exempting annuities, allowances, returns, benefits, and rights from taxation and judicial process; and providing penalties," amended by the act of December twenty-seven, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one (Pamphlet Laws 1739), is amended to read:

Definitions.

Section 1. Be it enacted, etc., That the following words and phrases as used in this act, unless a different meaning is plainly required by the context, shall have the following meanings:—

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(17) "Final salary" shall mean [(I) in the case of a contributor who became a beneficiary before the effective date of this act, whether or not such beneficiary subsequently is restored to school service, the average annual salary, earnable by the contributor as an employe for the ten years of service immediately preceding retirement, except in the case of contributors who were employed during the year which began July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, and ended June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, who have elected to contribute on the basis of salary receivable during said year, in which case such salary shall be included in the computation of "final salary" for the number of years that contributions have been made on the basis of such salary; and (II) in the case of a contributor who first becomes a beneficiary after the effective date of this act] *the highest average annual salary earnable by a contributor as an employe during any five years of service preceding retirement* [and in the case of contributors who become beneficiaries between the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred fifty-one and the effective date of this act, the average annual salary earnable by the contributor as an employe for either the five or the ten years of service immediately preceding retirement, whichever is the greater amount].

Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately.

Act effective
immediately.

APPROVED—The 1st day of June, A. D. 1956.

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