

thousand five hundred dollars (\$2500)] *two thousand eight hundred eighty dollars (\$2880)* per year, the pension shall be fixed in such amount so that the combined income and pension shall not exceed [two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2500)] *two thousand eight hundred eighty dollars (\$2880)* a year. No person shall be denied a pension because of the fact that he or she is not a citizen of the United States. In the event that any act of Congress providing Federal aid toward pension for the blind requires the recipients to be citizens, no such Federal aid moneys shall be expended in the payment of pensions to non-citizens, but such person shall receive pensions out of the moneys appropriated by this Commonwealth.

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Section 2. The sum of three million one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$3,125,000) is hereby appropriated to the Department of Public Welfare to be used for the purpose of paying monthly pensions to the blind.

Section 3. This act shall take effect January 1, 1960. Effective date.

APPROVED—The 16th day of December, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 678

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 4, 1937 (P. L. 1625), entitled "An act providing for the creation, maintenance and operation of a county employes' retirement system in counties of the third class; and imposing certain charges on counties," extending the provisions of the act to include certain per diem employes.

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

Section 1. Section 10, act of June 4, 1937 (P. L. 1625), entitled "An act providing for the creation, maintenance and operation of a county employes' retirement system in counties of the third class; and imposing certain charges on counties," amended May 18, 1945 (P. L. 688), is amended to read:

Section 10. Service Allowance.—In computing the length of service of a contributor for retirement purposes, full credit shall be given to each original member for each year of service rendered to the county prior to January first of the year the retirement system was established. This shall include the services of a county official whose compensation was in the form of fees

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Section 10, act of June 4, 1937, P. L. 1625, amended May 18, 1945, P. L. 688, further amended.

Credits for retirement allowance.

collected by his office, and shall also include the services of employes paid directly by such county official out of such fees. As soon as practicable, the retirement board shall issue to each original member a certificate certifying the aggregate length of his service prior to January first of the year retirement system was established. Such certificate shall be final and conclusive as to his prior service unless thereafter modified by the board upon application of the member. The retirement board may also give credit to any person who was a county employe for each year that he was employed [previous to the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred forty-five,] for at least two hundred days per year, on a per diem basis for the purpose of the computation of his retirement credit. The time during which a member is absent from service without pay shall not be counted in computing the service of a contributor unless allowed by the county commissioners and approved by the board.

APPROVED—The 16th day of December, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 679

AN ACT

Amending the act of June 1, 1959 (P. L. 392) entitled "An act relating to the retirement of State employes; amending, revising, consolidating and changing the laws relating thereto," making technical changes and clarifying language.

State Employes' Retirement Code of 1959.

Paragraph (c), subsection (1), section 202, act of June 1, 1959, P. L. 392, amended August 4, 1959, P. L. 621, further amended.

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

Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of section 202, act of June 1, 1959 (P. L. 392), known as the "State Employes' Retirement Code of 1959," amended August 4, 1959 (P. L. 621), is amended to read:

Section 202. Classes of Membership.—

(1) Membership in the retirement system shall be comprised of the following classes:

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(c) Class C which shall consist of (i) all officers or employes of the Pennsylvania State Police who are contributors as of August 1, 1959, and (ii) all officers or employes of the Pennsylvania State Police having police power who become contributors subsequent to August 1, 1959, and [for each of whom a member's annuity is calculated on the basis] *who make contributions at a rate determined to provide a member's annuity of one one-hundredth (1/100) of final average salary for*