

Appeal shall lie from the judgment of the superior court to the supreme court as in other cases.

Severability.

SEC. 19. If any provision of this act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

Emergency.

SEC. 20. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and for the support of the state government, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the Senate February 21, 1963.

Passed the House March 11, 1963.

Approved by the Governor March 25, 1963.

CHAPTER 175.

[H. B. 281.]

WASHINGTON STATE PATROL RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

AN ACT relating to the Washington state patrol retirement system; amending section 14, chapter 250, Laws of 1947, as last amended by section 3, chapter 162, Laws of 1957 and RCW 43.43.250; amending section 15, chapter 250, Laws of 1947, as last amended by section 4, chapter 162, Laws of 1957 and RCW 43.43.260; amending section 16, chapter 250, Laws of 1947, as last amended by section 2, chapter 93, Laws of 1961 and RCW 43.43.270; and amending section 9, chapter 250, Laws of 1947, as last amended by section 4, chapter 93, Laws of 1961 and RCW 43.43.300.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

RCW 43.43.250
amended.

SECTION 1. Section 14, chapter 250, Laws of 1947, as last amended by section 3, chapter 162, Laws of 1957 and RCW 43.43.250 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Any member who has attained the age of sixty years shall be retired on the first day of the

calendar month next succeeding that in which said member shall have attained the age of sixty.

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(2) Any member who has completed twenty-five years of credited service or has attained the age of fifty-five may retire as provided in RCW 43.43.260, on his retirement application to the retirement board, setting forth at what time, not less than thirty days subsequent to the execution and filing thereof, he desires to be retired.

(3) No member shall contribute to the retirement fund or receive service credit after he has completed twenty-five years of service: *Provided*, That any member who was a member prior to the effective date of this act may contribute to the retirement fund and receive service credit until he attains the percentage of average final salary provided by any previous act under which he has served.

SEC. 2. Section 15, chapter 250, Laws of 1947, as last amended by section 4, chapter 162, Laws of 1957 and RCW 43.43.260 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 43.43.260
amended.

Upon retirement from service as provided in RCW 43.43.250, a member shall be granted a retirement allowance which shall consist of:

Benefits.

(1) A prior service annuity which shall be equal to one and one-half percent of the member's average final salary multiplied by the number of years of prior service rendered by the member.

(2) A current service annuity which shall be equal to two percent of the member's average final salary multiplied by the number of years of service rendered while a member of the retirement system.

SEC. 3. Section 16, chapter 250, Laws of 1947, as last amended by section 2, chapter 93, Laws of 1961 and RCW 43.43.270 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 43.43.270
amended.

(1) The normal form of retirement allowance

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shall be an annuity which shall continue as long as the member lives.

(2) If a member should die, either while in service or after retirement, his lawful spouse shall be paid an annuity which shall be equal to twenty-five percent of the average final salary of the member. If the member should die after retirement the average final salary will be the average final salary used in computing his retirement allowance at the time of his retirement. The annuity paid to the lawful spouse shall continue as long as she lives or until she remarries. To be eligible for an annuity the lawful surviving spouse of a retired member shall have been married to the member prior to his retirement and continuously thereafter until the date of his death or shall have been married to the retired member at least two years prior to his death.

(3) If a member should die, either while in service or after retirement, his surviving children under the age of eighteen years shall be provided for in the following manner:

(a) If the member is survived by one child under the age of eighteen years the child shall be paid an annuity of seventy-five dollars per month until such time as the child shall attain the age of eighteen years or shall marry or die.

(b) If the member is survived by two or more children under the age of eighteen years the children shall be paid an annuity which shall total one hundred and fifty dollars per month until such time as the children shall attain the age of eighteen years or shall marry or die. When the number of children under the age of eighteen years and unmarried has been reduced to one, the annuity shall be reduced to seventy-five dollars per month.

(4) The provisions of this section shall apply to members who have been retired on disability as provided in RCW 43.43.040 if the officer was a member

of the Washington state patrol retirement system at the time of such disability retirement and if all contributions paid to the retirement fund have been left in the retirement fund. In the event that contributions have been refunded to a member on disability retirement, he may regain eligibility for survivor's benefits by repaying to the retirement fund the total amount refunded to him plus two and one-half percent interest, compounded annually, covering the period during which the refund was held by him.

SEC. 4. Section 9, chapter 250, Laws of 1947, as last amended by section 4, chapter 93, Laws of 1961 and RCW 43.43.300 are each amended to read as follows:

RCW 43.43.300
amended.

Beginning on July 1, 1963, every Washington state patrol employee who is a member of the retirement fund shall contribute seven percent of his monthly salary, which shall be deducted from the compensation of each member on each and every payroll.

Contributions
by members—
State contri-
butions remain
in fund if
member leaves
patrol.

In event a member severs his connection with the Washington state patrol or is dismissed, the amount paid by the state of Washington shall remain in the retirement fund.

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