Status of members discharged from armed forces.

Sec. 3309.02. Upon presentation of an honorable discharge or certificate of service, and subject to such rules and regulations as are adopted by the school employees retirement board, any member of the school employees retirement system who was *** a member with not less than one year of unadjusted service credit prior to active service in the armed forces of the United States subsequent to October 31, 1965 and who returns to service as an employee or as an employee in a capacity covered by either the public employees retirement system or the state teachers retirement system within two years after receiving such discharge or release, and establishes one year of service credit, shall have such service considered as prior service, provided that the total amount of such service granted by the board shall not exceed ten years. This section shall not serve to cancel any military service credit earned or granted prior to November 1, 1965. "Armed forces" of the United States, as used in this section, includes army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, auxiliary corps as established by congress, army nurse corps, navy nurse corps, red cross nurse serving with the army, navy, air force, or hospital service of the United States, and such other service as is designated by congress as included therein. (Amended in Amended Substitute House Bill No. 225)