

**Credit for prior service; refund of contributions.**

Sec. 145.29. The service of all members prior to January 1, 1935, shall be included as prior service providing the member meets the qualifications of section 145.30 of the Revised Code. If the public employees retirement board determines that a position of any employee member in any one calendar year prior to January 1, 1935, was a part-time position, the board may determine what fractional part of a year's credit shall be given. In determining what credit shall be allowed to part-time employees, the board shall allow a full day's credit to any employee toward retirement who is called to work and works any portion

of a day. Credit for service between January 1, 1935, and June 30, 1938, may be secured by any such employee member except a metropolitan housing authority employee member or a township employee member, provided he pays into the employees' savings fund an amount equal to the full additional liability assumed by such fund on account of the crediting of such years of service. Credit for service between January 1, 1935, and October 1, 1943, may be secured by any township employee, credit for service between January 1, 1935, and June 30, 1949, may be secured by any metropolitan housing authority employee, and credit for service between January 1, 1935, and September 30, 1951, may be secured by any employee of a state retirement board, and credit for service between January 1, 1935, and June 30, 1957, may be secured by any employee of the adjutant general of Ohio provided he pays into the employees' savings fund an amount equal to the amount he would have paid if he had been continuously a member of the public employees retirement system since January 1, 1935, or since his date of employment, subject to such rules and regulations relative to the amount and manner of payment as may be adopted by the board. The board shall have final authority to fix the amount and manner of payment that any such employee member, who desires to claim credit therefor, shall pay on account of such service. Such payment together with the regular interest as defined by section 145.01 of the Revised Code, shall be refunded in the event of the death or withdrawal from service of the member prior to retirement under the same conditions and in the same manner as refunds are made under sections 145.40 and 145.43 of the Revised Code, from the employees' savings fund.