

**Prior service credit; status of member serving in armed forces or employed for national defense work.**

Sec. 145.30. \*\*\* Upon re-employment in the public service and completing one year of service credit as covered by the public employees retirement system, the state teachers retirement system, or the state school employees retirement system, within two years after an honorable discharge, and presentation of an honorable discharge or certificate of service and subject to such rules and regulations as are adopted by the retirement board, any member of the public employees retirement system who maintained his membership in the public employees retirement system as provided by section 145.41 of the Revised Code, and who was or is out of active service as a public employee by reason of having become a member of the armed forces of the United States on active duty or service shall have such military service, not in excess of \*\*\* ten years, considered as the equivalent of prior service. \*\*\* "Armed forces" of the United States includes army, navy, air force, marine corps, coast guard, auxiliary corps as established by congress, army nurse corps, navy nurse corps, and such other service as may be designated by congress as included therein. Any member of the public employees retirement system or anyone who becomes a new member who is employed for essential national defense work by any employer may make regular contributions to the public employees retirement system even though his salary is paid from federal funds, provided that his salary is disbursed by an employer as defined in section 145.01 of the Revised Code.

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SECTION 3. Any member, eligible for any of the retirement allowances or other benefits provided in Chapters 145., 3307., and 3309. of the Revised Code as of June 30, 1959, or July 1, 1959, and who terminated his public service during the month of June, 1959, but did not file an application for retirement, may file, as provided by law, during the month of July, 1959, and shall be eligible for retirement as of June 30, 1959, or July 1, 1959, and such allowances or benefits shall be payable from and after July 1, 1959, and any such member or any member retiring on June 30, 1959, or July 1, 1959, voluntarily or otherwise, shall be eligible for allowances or benefits as computed under the provisions of this act.

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