

**Status of teachers in armed forces; member in charge of training for national defense work.**

Sec. 3307.02. Upon presentation of an honorable discharge, or certificate of service, and subject to such rules and regulations as are adopted by the state teachers retirement board, any member of the state teachers retirement system who was or is out of active service as a teacher by reason of having become a member of the armed forces of the United States on active duty or service shall be considered as on indefinite leave of absence and shall have such service not in excess of seven years considered as the equivalent of prior service, provided the member returns to active service as a teacher within two years after the effective date of such discharge, or becomes a member of either the public employees retirement system or the school employees retirement system within such two-year period. *The retirement board shall extend such two-year period an additional year if failure to return is due to continuous professional training as determined by said board.* If such member, otherwise qualified for such credit, canceled his membership by the withdrawal of his accumulated account, such military service credit shall be granted following the restoration of his canceled service credit as provided by section 3307.28 of the Revised Code. "Armed forces" of the United States, as used in this section, includes army, navy, marine corps, coast guard, auxiliary corps as established by congress, army nurse corps, navy nurse corps, red cross nurse serving with the army, navy, or hospital service of the United States, and such other service as is designated by the congress as included therein. Any member of the state teachers retirement system or anyone who becomes a new entrant who is assigned or called to take charge of special training for

essential national defense work or veterans' training courses in any of the public schools or universities of the state may make regular contributions to the state teachers retirement system even though his salary is paid from federal funds, provided his salary is disbursed by an employer.

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