

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 22, 1951.

The committee on Pensions and Old Age Assistance, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 348) of Ernest W. Towne that provision be made for the establishment of a minimum pension for certain retired state employees, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 193) of John J. O'Rourke for legislation relative to the retirement allowances for state employees after twenty or twenty-five years of service, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 299) of Philip J. Durkin for legislation to provide for certain guaranteed retirement allowances under the contributory retirement system, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 599) of the Massachusetts Teachers Federation for simplifying the method of computing retirement allowances under the contributory retirement system for public employees, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 915) of Gerhard Becker for certain guaranteed retirement allowances under the contributory retirement system after twenty-five years service, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 916) of Gerhard Becker for certain guaranteed retirement allowances under the contributory retirement system after twenty-five and thirty-five years service, the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1432) of the Massachusetts State Employees Association relative to providing for certain guaranteed retirement allowances under the contributory retirement system, and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1660) of William V. Ward for certain guaranteed retirement allowances under the contributory retirement systems, report the accompanying bill (House, No. 2275).

For the committee,

ADOLPH JOHNSON.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-One.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN GUARANTEED RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES UNDER THE CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Paragraph (a) of subdivision (2) of section 5 of  
2 chapter 32 of the General Laws is hereby amended  
3 by striking out the first paragraph, as most recently  
4 amended by chapter 809 of the acts of 1950, and  
5 inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:—  
6 The normal yearly amount of such allowance for  
7 any member classified in Group A other than a vet-  
8 eran as defined in section one shall, subject to the  
9 provisions of this section, be equal to the aggregate  
10 of the amounts determined in accordance with clauses  
11 (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) of this paragraph, reduced by  
12 one twelfth of one per cent of such aggregate for each  
13 full month by which his date of retirement precedes  
14 the last day of the month in which he will attain age  
15 sixty-five, except that if such member has attained  
16 age sixty and has completed forty years of creditable  
17 service, the reduction factor shall not apply, and  
18 except that any such member who has attained age  
19 sixty-five and has not less than twenty years of  
20 creditable service, the minimum normal yearly amount

21 of such allowance shall be a sum equal to one half of  
22 the average annual rate of regular compensation, not  
23 exceeding four thousand dollars, received by such  
24 member during the two year period of creditable  
25 service subsequent to June thirtieth, nineteen hun-  
26 dred and thirty-two, for which such rate was the  
27 highest, and an additional amount equal to two per  
28 cent of said compensation for each year of creditable  
29 service after the first twenty; provided, that the total  
30 amount of such minimum allowance shall not exceed  
31 four fifths of said compensation; and provided  
32 further, that no such member shall receive such  
33 guaranteed minimum retirement allowance unless he  
34 has paid into the annuity savings fund the full amount  
35 of regular deductions on the total amount of regular  
36 compensation permitted by subdivision (3A) of sec-  
37 tion three and by paragraph (d) of subdivision (1) of  
38 section twenty-two. Any such member who is retired  
39 with such guaranteed minimum retirement allowance  
40 after attaining age sixty-five whose regular annual  
41 compensation has been in excess of four thousand  
42 dollars during any year or years of his creditable  
43 service shall receive an additional retirement allow-  
44 ance equal to two fifths of the deductions paid into  
45 the annuity savings fund by such member on that  
46 part of his regular annual compensation which has  
47 been in excess of four thousand dollars in any such  
48 year or years; provided, that the total amount of  
49 the retirement allowance shall not exceed four fifths  
50 of the average annual rate of regular compensation  
51 received by such member during the two year period  
52 of creditable service subsequent to June thirtieth,  
53 nineteen hundred and thirty-two, for which such rate  
54 was the highest.

