

ent meaning is plainly required by the context shall have the following meanings:

(1) "Retirement System" shall mean the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Maryland as defined in Section 93 of this Article.

(2) "Public School" shall mean any day school conducted within the State under the authority and supervision of a duly appointed County Board of Education and any educational institution supported by and under the control of the State, such as the State Normal Schools, the School for the Feeble-Minded, and the School for the Deaf.

(3) "Teacher" shall mean any teacher, helping teacher, principal, supervisor or superintendent, attendance officer, or clerk employed in a public day school within the State or in any State educational institution supported and controlled by the State. In all cases of doubt the Board of Trustees hereinafter defined, shall determine whether any person is a teacher as defined in this Article.

(4) "Member" shall mean any teacher included in the membership of the system as provided in Section 94 of this Article.

(5) "Board of Trustees" shall mean the Board provided for in Section 97 of this Article to administer the Retirement System.

(6) "Medical Board" shall mean the board of physicians provided for in Section 97 of this Article.

(7) "Service" shall mean service as a teacher as described in Sub-section (3) of this Section and paid for by the State of Maryland.

(8) "Prior Service" shall mean service rendered prior to the date of establishment of the Retirement System for which credit is allowable under Section 95 of this Article.

(9) "Membership Service" shall mean service as a teacher rendered while a member of the Retirement System.

(10) "Creditable Service" shall mean "Prior Service" plus "Membership Service" for which credit is allowable as provided in Section 95 of this Article.

(11) "Beneficiary" shall mean any person in receipt of a pension, an annuity, a retirement allowance or other benefit as provided by this subtitle.

(12) "Regular Interest" shall mean interest at the rate of four per centum per annum compounded annually.

(13) "Accumulated Contributions" shall mean the sum of all the amounts deducted from the compensation of a member and credited to his individual account in the Annuity Savings Fund together with regular interest thereon as provided in Section 99 of this Article.

(14) "Earnable Compensation" shall mean the full rate of the compensation that would be payable to a teacher if he worked the full normal working time. In cases where compensation includes maintenance, the Board of Trustees shall fix the value of that part of the compensation not paid in money.