

to those provided in accordance with and in the same manner as that provided in Section 11(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), and (6), of this Article, and subject to the conditions hereinafter provided, to make supplementary payments to any beneficiary, or member who may be retired from service in the future, in addition to the benefits provided in Section 8, on the following basis:

Beneficiaries Receiving	Supplementary Payments
Under \$300	Increase to \$600
\$ 300—\$ 599.99	\$300
\$ 600—\$ 749.99	Increase to \$900
\$ 750—\$ 999.99	20%
Up to \$899.99	INCREASE TO \$900
\$ 900—\$ 999.99	20%
\$1000—\$1299.99	15%
\$1300—\$1635.99	10%
\$1636—\$1799.99	Increase to \$1800

provided, however, that the Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to adopt reasonable rules and regulations to govern the disbursement of such supplementary payments. *Said Board is hereby given the authority to grant, limit, or eliminate the payment of such supplementary payments, in its discretion and acting under the provisions of said rules and regulations, for the purpose of providing such beneficiaries with a reasonable standard of living after retirement, and limiting or eliminating such supplementary payments whenever the Board finds said payments to be unnecessary to maintain such a standard of living.* [which] Such rules and regulations shall include, but need not be limited to the following factors: (1) no beneficiary shall be entitled to receive any such supplementary payments unless his total creditable service equals at least five years, *with an average of a minimum of ~~2000~~ 1820 hours of work per year, excluding for the purposes of such computation the use of any earned annual vacation leave, sick leave, or authorized leave of absence without pay;* (2) every beneficiary who shall [receive] *apply for such supplementary payment shall first submit a statement, under oath, giving full information regarding other sources of income received by or available to said beneficiary, including investment income, compensation from employment of any kind, and other retirement income, including benefits from all other retirement or pension systems, social security benefits, and similar sources; and* (3) that the total retirement allowance to the beneficiary and not the actuarial equivalent in the form of any option chosen shall be used as the basis for the determination of the supplementary payment, provided, however, that no beneficiary will receive a total retirement allowance, together with the supplementary payment which he received from the State of Maryland, but not including any additional benefits which he received from any political sub-division thereof, which is less than that received during the year preceding July 1, [1952] ~~1955~~ 1953.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1955.*

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