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. 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 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 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 subdivision thereof, which is less than that received during the year preceding July 1, 1953.]

(a) which is not less than the rate of the supplementary payment received by any beneficiary prior to July 31 1, 1956, and (b) which, when added to the benefits provided pursuant to Section 8 of this Article is not less than \$1,250 per annum; provided, however, that the said beneficiary, or member who may be retired from service in the future, is credited with 25 years of service, and provided that any beneficiary, or member who may be retired from service in the future, having less than 25 years of creditable service shall have his supplemental payment reduced in proportion to the ratio of the number of years of creditable service divided by 25, and provided that no such reduction shall be made for any beneficiary or member who may be retired in the future who was retired for disability, and

(c) which is computed pro rata on the basis of the following condensed table:

Beneficiaries receiving under Section 8 of this Article	Length of Service	Supplementary Payments
\$900	25 years	\$350
1200	25 $years$	300
1500	25 years	250
1800	25 years	200
2100	25 years	150
2400	25 $years$	100
2700	25 years	50
3000	25 years	0 and