

9(7) [Prior service credit for certain elective or appointive officials.] *Credit for previous service.*—Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this article, every *employee of the State or of a participating municipal corporation, including any official elected or appointed [official] for a fixed term, who is or becomes a member of the Employees' Retirement System and who at any previous time since October 1, 1941, was an [elected or appointed official] employee or official of the State or of one or more of the counties or municipal corporations of this State, and whose previous employment by the State or county or municipal corporation of this State was not terminated at his own volition, or who was not re-elected or re-appointed at the expiration of his fixed term of office, shall receive in the Employees' Retirement System [prior] service credit for the time spent [as an elected or appointed official of the county or municipal corporation] as a member of the Employees' Retirement System in such previous employment so that he shall again be credited with all his creditable service as a member of the Employees' Retirement System, including prior service credit to which he was entitled during the previous employment.* Upon receiving a claim for such [prior] service credit [from the official] FROM SUCH EMPLOYEE, the board of trustees of the Retirement System shall verify the fact of *such previous employment, the condition of the termination of such previous employment, and the creditable service to which the member is entitled [previous tenure as an elected or appointed official of the county or municipal corporation],* compute the amount due from such political subdivision for the [prior] service for which credit is claimed, and submit a statement to the county or municipal corporation for such amount, such computation to be based upon the compensation actually received by such [elected or appointed official] employee from the county or municipal corporation during the period for which [prior] service is to be credited. The county or municipal corporation is authorized and directed forthwith to pay the said amount to the Retirement System, or to place it in the next ensuing budget for prompt payment when that budget becomes effective. *The board of trustees is authorized and directed to include any amount due from the State in the appropriation allowed by the next ensuing State budget.*

*Any such employee MEMBER, including an official for a fixed term, who receives membership service credit for service rendered to the State or to any county or municipal corporation under the provisions of this sub-section shall pay to the Retirement System by a single payment, WITHIN SUCH PERIOD OF TIME AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, the contributions, with interest, which he paid when he was a member of the Retirement System but withdrew. Provided, however, that any such member may waive the payment of any or all such contributions, in which case upon retirement any ORDINARY DISABILITY retirement allowance, including an ordinary disability retirement allowance, or any allowance due to non-reappointment or non-reelection to any office payable to such a member, shall be reduced by the actuarial equivalent of those contributions which he had not paid, with interest to date of retirement.*

*The total retirement allowance that would have been payable to the beneficiary had he not waived his contributions shall be used*