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**No. 44 of 1957.**

An Act to amend the Police Pensions Act,  
1954-1956.

[Assented to 14th November, 1957.]

BE IT ENACTED by the Governor of the State of South Australia, with the advice and consent of the Parliament thereof, as follows :

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the "Police Pensions Act Amendment Act, 1957". Short title.
- (2) The Police Pensions Act, 1954-1956, as amended by this Act, may be cited as the "Police Pensions Act, 1954-1957".
- (3) The Police Pensions Act, 1954-1956, is hereinafter called "the principal Act".
2. This Act is incorporated with the principal Act and that Act and this Act shall be read as one Act. Incorporation.
3. This Act shall come into force on a day to be fixed by the Governor by proclamation. Commencement.
4. Section 4 of the principal Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following subsection :— Amendment of s. 4 of principal Act— Interpretation.
  - (2) For the purposes of this Act—
    - (a) the Principal of the Women Police shall be deemed to be a member holding the rank of Sergeant ;
    - (b) a member who does not hold a rank prescribed by the Police Regulations shall be deemed to hold such rank as the Commissioner determines.

Amendment of  
s. 14 of  
principal Act—  
Amount of  
contributions.

5. (1) Section 14 of the principal Act is amended by striking out subsections (1) and (2) thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the following subsections :—

(1) The annual contributions payable by a member whose rank is below that of sergeant shall be in accordance with the following table :—

Age Next Birthday after Commencing to Contribute.	Amount of Annual Contributions.	
	Males.	Females.
	£	£
22 .....	46	38
23 .....	49	40
24 .....	51	42
25 .....	53	45
26 .....	56	47
27 and over .....	59	50

(2) The annual contribution payable by a member holding the rank of sergeant or any higher rank shall be the amount prescribed by subsection (1) of this section plus a proportion of that amount varying with the rank of the member in accordance with the following table :—

Salary or Rank of Member.	Proportion.
1. Sergeant, of any grade .....	One-tenth
2. Inspector, third class .....	Three-tenths
3. Inspector, second class .....	Two-fifths
4. Inspector, first class .....	One-half
5. Senior Inspector, Superintendent, Deputy Commissioner and Commis- sioner .....	Three-fifths

(2) Subsection (3) of section 14 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by striking out the word “forty-five” in the sixth line and inserting in lieu thereof the word “fifty” ;
- (b) by striking out the words “sixty-seven pounds ten shillings” in the seventh line and inserting in lieu thereof the words “eighty pounds”.

6. The following section is enacted and inserted in the principal Act after section 18 :—

Enactment of  
s. 18a of  
principal Act—

18a. (1) This section shall have effect notwithstanding sections 13 and 18 of this Act.

Election to  
contribute after  
previous  
election not to  
contribute.

(2) A person who before the commencement of the Police Pensions Act Amendment Act, 1957, had elected not to contribute to the fund may by notice given to the Public Actuary not later than two months after the said commencement apply to become a contributor.

(3) If the Public Actuary is satisfied that the applicant is of sound bodily health he shall accept him as a contributor, in which case the applicant shall pay—

(a) arrears of contribution calculated at the rates from time to time in force for the period beginning on the day when he elected not to contribute and ending on the day when he becomes a contributor, in such instalments and at such times as the Public Actuary directs ;

(b) contributions thereafter in accordance with this Act.

(4) A person who is accepted as a contributor under this section and the wife and children of such person shall be entitled to pension and other benefits in accordance with this Act.

7. Section 19 of the principal Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following proviso :—

Amendment of  
s. 19 of  
principal Act—  
Retiring age.

Provided that this section shall not affect the law as to the retirement of the Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner of Police as enacted in the Police Regulation Act, 1952-1955.

8. Section 20 of the principal Act is amended—

Amendment of  
s. 20 of  
principal Act—  
Pension and  
benefit on  
retirement  
after retiring  
age.

(a) by striking out the words “two hundred and fifty” in the fifth and sixth lines and inserting in lieu thereof the words “five hundred” ;

(b) by striking out the words “three hundred and sixty-four” in the seventh line and inserting in lieu thereof the words “four hundred and twenty”.

Amendment of  
s. 21 of  
principal Act—  
Pension and  
benefit on  
retirement  
through  
injury in  
course of  
duty.

**9.** Section 21 of the principal Act is amended as follows :—

- (a) The words “three hundred and sixty-four” in the tenth line of subsection (1) are struck out and the words “four hundred and twenty” are inserted ;
- (b) The word “four” in the seventh line of subsection (2) is struck out and the word “five” inserted ;
- (c) The word “forty” in the eighth line of subsection (2) is struck out and the word “fifty” inserted ; and
- (d) The words “twelve hundred and fifty” in the last two lines of subsection (2) are struck out and the words “one thousand five hundred” inserted.

Amendment of  
s. 22 of  
principal Act—  
Pension and  
benefit on  
retirement  
due to  
invalidity  
other than  
injury on  
duty.

**10.** Section 22 of the principal Act is amended as follows :—

- (a) The words “one hundred and eighty-two” in the third and fourth lines of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) are struck out and the words “two hundred and ten” are inserted ;
- (b) The word “four” in the fourth line of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) is struck out and the word “five” is inserted ;
- (c) The word “forty” in the fifth line of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) is struck out and the word “fifty” is inserted ;
- (d) The words “one hundred and eighty-two” in the second and third lines of paragraph (c) of subsection (1) are struck out and the words “two hundred and ten” are inserted ;
- (e) The word “nine” in the third line of paragraph (c) is struck out and the word “twelve” is inserted ;
- (f) The words “three hundred and sixty-four” in the sixth line of paragraph (c) are struck out and the words “four hundred and twenty” are inserted ;
- (g) The word “four” in the seventh line of paragraph (c) of subsection (1) is struck out and the word “five” is inserted ;
- (h) The word “forty” in the eighth line of paragraph (c) is struck out and the word “fifty” is inserted ;
- (i) The words “twelve hundred and fifty” in subsection (2) are struck out and the words “one thousand five hundred” are inserted.

**11.** Section 29 of the principal Act is amended as follows :—

Amendment of  
s. 29 of  
principal Act—  
Benefits for  
widow and  
children of  
members and  
pensioners.

- (a) The words “one hundred and eighty-two” in paragraph (a) of subsection (1) are struck out and the words “two hundred and ten” are inserted ;
- (b) The word “four” in the first line of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) is struck out and the word “five” is inserted ;
- (c) The word “forty” in the first line of paragraph (b) of subsection (1) is struck out and the word “fifty” is inserted ;
- (d) The word “thirty-nine” in paragraph (c) of subsection (1) is struck out and the word “fifty-two” is inserted ;
- (e) At the end of subsection (1) the following passage is inserted :—  
A cash payment under paragraph (b) of this subsection shall not exceed one thousand five hundred pounds ;
- (f) The words “one hundred and eighty-two” in paragraph (a) of subsection (2) are struck out and the words “two hundred and ten” are inserted ;
- (g) The word “thirty-nine” in paragraph (b) of subsection (2) is struck out and the word “fifty-two” is inserted ;
- (h) the word “seventy-eight” in the sixth line of subsection (3) is struck out and the words “one hundred and four” are inserted.

**12.** The following section is enacted and inserted in the principal Act after section 30a :—

Enactment of  
s. 30b of  
principal Act—

30b. (1) The amount of any cash payment (other than a refund of contributions or of twice the amount of contributions) or of any limit of a cash payment, and the rate of any pension payable pursuant to this Act to a member of the force who at the time of his retirement holds a rank not lower than that of sergeant and who retires from the force after the day of commencement of the Police Pensions Act Amendment Act, 1957, and the rate of pension and cash payment (if any) payable to the widow of a member of the force who at the time of his death or retirement held a rank not lower than that of sergeant and who on or after that day retired from the force or died while still a member of the force shall be the amounts

Amended rates  
of pension  
and benefits  
for officers  
above senior  
constables.

or rates fixed by the other provisions of this Act and, in addition, a proportion of such amounts or rates varying with the rank of the officer in accordance with the following table :—

Salary or Rank.	Proportion.
1. Sergeant, of any grade .....	One-tenth
2. Inspector, third class .....	Three-tenths
3. Inspector, second class .....	Two-fifths
4. Inspector, first class.....	One-half
5. Senior Inspector, Superintendent, Deputy Commissioner and Com- missioner.....	Three-fifths

(2) If the Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner retires from the force after the commencement of the Police Pensions Act Amendment Act, 1957, and after attaining the age of sixty, the pension payable to him under this Act shall be increased by fifty pounds a year for each complete year of his age at retirement in excess of sixty, but shall not exceed nine hundred and twenty pounds a year.

(3) If the Commissioner or the Deputy Commissioner dies after attaining the age of sixty and after the commencement of the Police Pensions Act Amendment Act, 1957 and while in office, the pension payable to his widow shall be one-half of the pension to which he would have been entitled had he retired on the day of his death ;

(4) If a pensioner who had formerly held office as Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner and had retired after attaining the age of sixty dies after the said commencement, the pension payable to his widow shall be one-half of the pension being paid to him at the time of his death.

Enactment of  
s. 32a of  
principal Act—

Further  
increase of  
pension in  
force at  
commence-  
ment of Act.

**13.** The following section is enacted and inserted in the principal Act after section 32 thereof :—

**32a.** (1) On and after the day of the commencement of the Police Pensions Act Amendment Act, 1957, the pension payable to an officer who retired from the force before the commencement of that Act and to the widow

of a member or pensioner who died before the said commencement shall be at an annual rate equal to one hundred and twenty-one and a half per cent of the annual rate at which it was being paid immediately before the said commencement. Every such rate shall be calculated to the nearest pound.

(2) Every allowance in respect of a child in respect of whom an allowance was being paid immediately before the commencement of the Police Pensions Act Amendment Act, 1957, shall on and after the day of such commencement be at the rate of fifty-two pounds a year: Provided that where the child is an orphan the allowance shall be at the rate of one hundred and four pounds a year.

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

R. A. GEORGE, Governor.