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AN ACT to provide pensions to members of the Prisons Service and for related matters.

1. Disapplication of S.M.C.D. 8 to Prisons Service

On the coming into force of this Act, the provisions of the Pensions and Social Security (Amendment) Decree, 1975 (S.M.C.D. 8), other than those provisions relating to the Pensions Act(2), shall cease to be to members of the Prisons Service and a member of the Prisons Service who before the commencement of this Act is required by virtue of the Pensions and Social Security (Amendment) Decree, 1975 (S.M.C.D. 8) to contribute towards the pension or to the social security fund as a member of that fund shall on the coming into force of this Act cease to make contribution towards that pension or to the social security fund.

2. Refund of accumulated contributions

(1) Subject to subsection (2), the amounts paid by or on behalf of a member of the Prisons Service as contributions towards that member's pension or social security fund before the commencement of this Act shall be refunded to that member

- (a) when the member retires from the Prisons Service on attaining the retirement age prescribed under the Prisons Service Decree, 1972 (N.R.C.D. 127);
- (b) where the member resigns or is dismissed from the Prisons Service on attaining the age of superannuation in accordance with the provisions of the Social Security Decree, 1972 (N.R.C.D. 127).

(2) An amount of money payable to a member of the Prisons Service under subsection (1) shall be paid to the estate if that member dies before the member is due to retire from the Prisons Service or the retiring awards are paid or before attaining the age of superannuation.

3. Prisons Service members eligible for pension

Subject to section 1, a member of the Prisons Service is eligible on the commencement of the Act for pension and an enactment relating to the pensions for the time being in force shall apply to that member.

4. Pensionable service to include period of contributing to Social Security Fund

A period of service in the Prisons Service in respect of which a member of the Service has contributed to the Social Security Fund by virtue of section 1 of the Pensions and Social Security (Amendment) Decree, 1975 (S.M.C.D. 8), shall for the purpose of computing the pension be deemed to be pensionable service.

5. Commencement

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Endnotes

1 (Popup - Footnote)

1. This Act was issued as the Prison Service (Pensions) Law, 1987 ([P.N.D.C.L. 168](#)) made on the 13th day of February, 1987, and notified in the *Gazette* on 13th March, 1987.

2 (Popup - Footnote)

2. [Cap. 30](#) of the 1951 Edition of the Laws of the Gold Coast.

3 (Popup - Footnote)

3. The section provided that this Act shall be deemed to have come into force on the 7th day of August, 1986.