

CHAPTER 99 - PENSIONS AND GRATUITIES

A LAW TO PROVIDE FOR PENSIONS AND GRATUITIES IN THE STATE

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1. This Edict may be cited as the Pensions and Gratuities Edict.

2. In this Edict unless the context otherwise requires:—

"Armed forces of the Federation" or "armed forces" mean the Nigerian Army, the Nigerian Navy and the Nigerian Air Force;

"The Commissioner" means the State Commissioner charged with responsibility for pensions;

"Medical board" means any medical board appointed by the Commissioner or by any other person pursuant to a delegation of powers under section 21 of this Edict to assess the disablement of an officer;

"Final pay in respect of an officer whose appointment has terminated" means the amount payable to him for a month (or if he was on a daily rate of pay for thirty-one days) multiplied by 12 in respect of the last substantive rank held by him immediately before the end of his service;

"Governor" means the Governor of the State;

"next-of-kin" means those persons whose names are furnished by the deceased. Officer on his record of service kept in the Records office of the State Directorate of Establishments and Training or furnished by him in writing at any time before his death to that Directorate;

"Officer" means a person employed in a pensionable office of the State but does not include officers on temporary or contract appointment;

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"Pensionable emoluments" in respect of an officer means the salary attached to the last substantive rank held by the officer and does not include any allowances;

"Pensionable service" means service in a pensionable office in the Civil Service of the State which may be taken into account in computing an officer's pension under this Edict;

"Civil Service" or "Service" means serving under the government of the Federation in a civil