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THE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

SOUTH CAROLINA RETIREMENT SYSTEM (SCRS)

SOUTH CAROLINA POLICE OFFICERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PORS)

RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA (GARS)

ANNUAL REPORT

JUNE 30, 1979

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South Carolina Actirement System



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PURVIS W. COLLINS

October 15, 1979

Honorable Richard W. Riley, Governor and
State Budget and Control Board
State of South Carolina

I am pleased to present the annual report for the Retirement Systems of the State of South Carolina and the report of the State Agent for Social Security for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1979.

Respectfully submitted,

Purvis W. Collins

ADMINISTRATION

Governing Board - State Budget and Control Board

His Excellency Governor Richard W. Riley

Chairman, Ex-Officio

Honorable Grady L. Patterson, Jr.

State Treasurer

Honorable Earle E. Morris, Jr.

Comptroller General

Honorable Rembert C. Dennis

Chairman of Senate Finance Committee

Honorable Tom G. Mangum

Chairman of House Ways & Means Committee

Mr. William T. Putnam

Executive Director

Consulting Actuary

Hugh Gillespie George B. Buck Co., Inc.

Retirement System Staff

Purvis W. Collins

Director

Joseph C. Griffith

Assistant Director/ Counseling Department

E. D. Goodwin, Jr.

Accounting Department

Beverly K. Abdalla

Benefits Payroll Department

(Mrs.) Jimmie D. McGhee

Records Department

Elvena S. Bickley

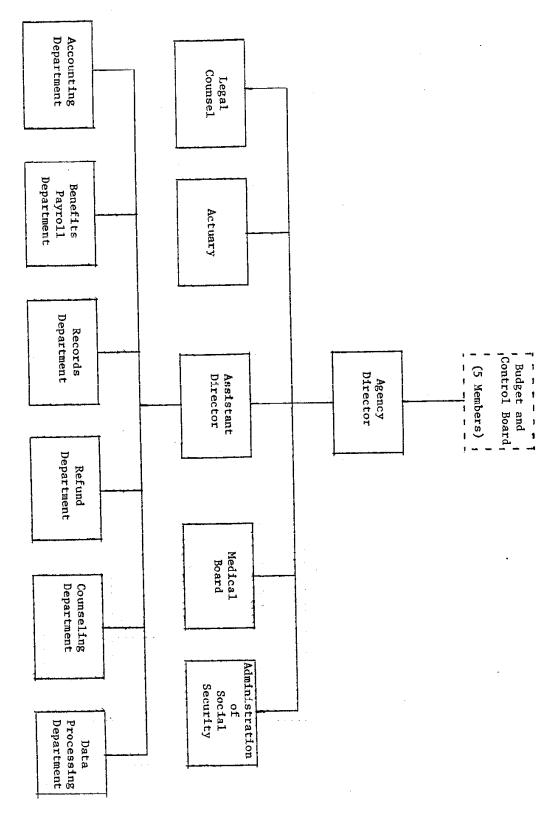
Refund Department

Henry R. Blackwell, Jr.

Data Processing Department

Catherine F. Bond

Administration of Social Security



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OPERATIONS:

The administration of the Retirement Systems and the administration of Social Security coverage for public entities is vested with Retirement Division of the State Budget and Control Board. An Agency director, appointed by the Board, is responsible for the overall operation of the Systems.

The structural organization of the Agency is depicted on the chart shown on the facing page. A brief description of the primary functions performed by each department follows:

Accounting Department - Responsible for maintenance of records of all receipts and disbursements, financial accounting records, investment accounting, field representative services, and financial control of member contribution records.

Benefits Payroll Department - Responsible for the disbursement of monthly annuity benefit payments to all retired members.

Records Department - Responsible for the processing of applications of new employers requesting participation in the Systems as well as the enrollment of all new members and maintenance of complete historical records of each member.

Refund Department - Responsible for the disbursement of lump sum payments to members who terminate covered employment prior to retirement.

Counseling Department - Responsible for counseling members relating to retirement, establishing various past service, and processing all retirement documents upon actual retirement of a member.

Data Processing Department - Performs a support function to all other departments. Responsible for the design and implementation of all automation applications within the Division.

Operational costs for the Retirement Division are appropriated from the General Fund of the State.

The following is a summary of the costs incurred in the operations of the Division for the years ended June 30, 1979 and 1978:

| | 1979 | <u>1978</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Personal Service: | | |
| Salaries | \$ 961,716 | \$ 877,724 |
| Fringe Benefits | 150,607 | 135,621 |
| | | |
| Total Personal Service | 1,112,323 | 1,013,345 |
| Operating Expenses: | • | |
| Contractual Services | 76,996 | 65,909 |
| Supplies | 92,348 | 96,830 |
| Rents | 125,702 | 113,736 |
| Travel | 21,748 | 16,072 |
| Equipment | 6,679 | 9,499 |
| Other | 9,926 | • , |
| | 222 200 | 202.046 |
| Total Operating Expenses | 333,399 | 302,046 |
| Total Cost of Operations | \$1,445,722 | \$1,315,391 |

In our continued effort to modernize our Systems and increase our service to participating employers as well as our membership, several significant advances have been made recently.

Our field representative services were expanded to add a second representative in June, 1978, with future plans calling for a total of four representatives. These individuals perform a variety of functions for the Systems as well as for our membership. These services include:

- a. Meeting with governing bodies of various entities considering obtaining coverage under one or more of our programs to explain procedures involved and obligations created under the Systems.
- b. Conducting workshops with employers to explain reporting procedures and policies, amendments to the Retirement Act, etc.

- c. Conducting on premise review of employer records to determine conformity with provisions of Retirement Act and social security coverage agreements.
- d. Assisting departments within the System in resolving any problems in the field that cannot be handled within the retirement office.

In July, 1979 we initiated a pre-retirement counseling program. Our primary objective under this program is to better prepare the membership for retirement by assuring their maximum potential for enjoyment through planning for economic security, health and safety, housing, location and meaningful use of time. This objective will be fulfilled through conducting seminars and meetings with employer representatives in a training program designed to enable these representatives to better counsel employees in these areas.

As a part of our overall automation plan for the Systems, we have initiated a two year project to accumulate data to create an automated file of all members retirement service credit. Upon completion of this project we will have the capability to provide members an annual statement of total service credit, retirement benefit estimates, eligibility status, and accumulated contributions. We will also be able to provide more timely and accurate information to the System's Actuary as well as greatly speed up the processing of retirement applications, particularly during peak periods.

In addition to our annual report, this Agency publishes annual brochures describing the benefits available under the SCRS and PORS, as well as a brochure explaining retirement service credit. Detailed employer manuals are also published providing instructions for the enrollment of and reporting of employees, processing forms necessary for retirement, and obtaining refunds of employee contributions.

SUMMARY OF BASIC PROVISIONS

| | | SCRS | PORS - | GARS |
|------------|-----------------------------|--|---|---|
| -i / | Membership | Generally all employees are required to partici- pate in System as a con- dition of employment, | Generally all full time employees whose principle duties are the preservation of public order, protection of life and property or prevention and control of property destruction by fire. | All persons are required to participate upon taking office as a member of the General Assembly, |
| a . | Employee Contributions | Salary Under Over \$4800 \$4800 \$4800 \$4800 \$4800 \$1880 | Class I - \$16 per month | 10% of normal compensartion |
| | Employer Contributions | | | |
| | Retirement | Class I 3.5% of salary | Class I 7.5% of salary | Annual lump-sum appro- priation |
| | | Class II 6.8% of salary for | Class II 10% of salary | |
| | | Public Schools 5.95% of salary for all other particity pating employers | (7.8% and 10.3% respectively effective July 1, 1979) | |
| | Group Life Insurance | ,3% of salary | ,55% of salary (,4% effective July 1, 1979) | Included within annual lump-sum appropriation |
| | Accidental Death Program | N/A | .35% of salary (.20% effective July 1, 1979) | N/A |
| | | 7 | | |

| Age 60 | Age 60 or 30 years of credited service | 4.5% of normal compensation times years of credited service | - 5 years of credited ser- vice | The greater of: a. Service benefit based upon actual credited service. |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| Age 55 with 5 years of service | Age 55 with 5 years of service or 30 years of credited service | Class I \$9 per month for each year of credited service Class II 1,75% of AFC times years of credited service | 5 years of credited service | Service retirement benefit based upon continued service to age 55 with no change in compensation, |
| Age 65 | Age 65 or 30 years of credited service. | Class I 1% of Average Final Compensation up to \$4800 of AFC, plus 1.3% of AFC over \$4800 times years of credited service. Class II 1.25% of AFC up to \$4800 of AFC, plus 1.65% of AFC over \$4800 times years of credited service | 5 years of credited service | Service retirement benefit based upon con- tinued service to age 65 with no change in compensation. |
| Normal Retirement Age | Requirements for Full Service Retirement | Formula for Mormal Service Retirement | Requirements for Disability Retirement | Formula for Disability Retirement |

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to earlier of age 60 or 35 years ser-

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50% of service benefit based upon continued service

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SUMMARY OF BASIC PROVISIONS (CONTINUED)

GARS

PORS

SCRS

9. Benefit Options

| Maximum Benefit as calculated in item 6. Any unrecovered contributions paid upon death. Option 1 Provides a reduced continued benefit of equal amount to the beneficiary of retirant. | Option 2 Provides a continued benefit of 50% of the retirant's annuity payable to the retirant's beneficiary. | |
|--|--|--|
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| Maximum Benefit Formula benefit as calculated in item 6. Any unrecovered contributions paid upon death. Option 1 Reduced benefit with lump-sum payment of accumulated contributions balance reduced by 10% per year during first ten years of rethrement. | Option 2 Provides a reduced continued benefit of equal amount to the beneficiary of retirant. | Option 3 Provides a continued benefit of 50% of the retirant's annuity payable to the retirant's beneficiary. |

retirement income.

clary upon the death of payable to the benefi-Lump-sum payment equal an active member with to one year's salary at least one year of service.

from actual performance No service requirement for death resulting of duties.

from actual performance

of duties,

No service requirement

for death resulting

Accidental Death

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Program

while in the performance of duty. Annuity would equal 50% of member *s the widow (or specified compensation at time of Provides an annuity to beneficiary) of a member whose death was death,

interest payable within Accumulated contribu-6 months but not less tions and credited than 90 days after termination of all

clary upon the death of payable to the benefi-Lump-sum payment equal an active member with to one year's salary at least one year of service.

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an active member with

at least one year of

service,

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Group Life Insurance

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to one year's salary

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N/A

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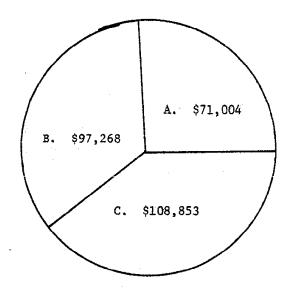
interest payable within 6 months but not less Accumulated contribucovered employment, tions and credited than 90 days after termination of all

interest payable within 6 months after termina-Accumulated contribution of all covered tions and credited employment,

covered employment,

REVENUE DISTRIBUTION

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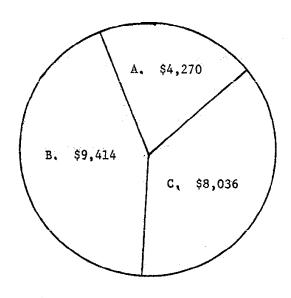
| | | 79 | .78 |
|----|------------------------|-------|-------|
| Α. | Employee Contributions | 25,6% | 26.1% |
| В. | Employer Contributions | 35.1% | 36.0% |
| C. | Investment Income | 39.3% | 37.9% |

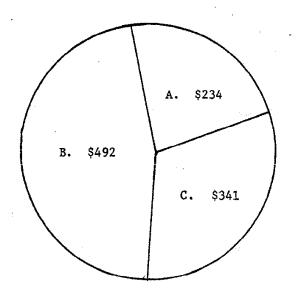
Percentage of Total Revenue

Percentage of

PORS

| | · | Percent | age of |
|----|------------------------|---------|---------|
| | | Total 1 | Revenue |
| | | 79 | 78 |
| Α, | Employee Contributions | 19.7% | 20.6% |
| В. | Employer Contributions | 43.3% | 45.6% |
| C. | Investment Income | 37.0% | 33 87 |





C. Investment Income

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| | | Total | Revenue |
|----|------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| | | <u>79</u> · | <u>78</u> |
| À. | Employee Contributions | 22,0% | 18,7% |
| B. | Employer Contributions | 46.1% | 47.8% |
| С. | Investment Income | 31,9% | 33.5% |

REVENUES:

The Systems derive revenue from three primary sources; contributions from members, matching contributions from employers, and income earned on investments. Collection of employee and employer contributions is made on a monthly basis. Each entity submits a monthly summary report of member wages paid and contributions collected together with the matching employer contributions due. Quarterly, detailed reports listing each members, wages and contributions are submitted to the System and are the basis from which detail computerized member contribution records are derived.

In the past year we have made a concerted effort to encourage larger entities to report detail member contributions by means of magnetic tape or other machine readable form. Approximately 51,000 members were reported on magnetic tape for the quarter ended June 30, 1979. This represents 34% of the approximate 150,000 members reported for the quarter.

There are three basic types of entities covered under one or more of the Systems; State Departments (including institutions of higher learning), Public Schools, and Other Political Subdivisions (cities, counties, etc.).

The following schedules present comparisons of the distribution of our revenue by type of entity as well as the distribution of our entity population by category for 1979:

COMBINED CONTRIBUTIONS BY TYPE OF ENTITY (000'S OMITTED)

| | SCR | | POR | S |
|------------------------------|-----------|---------------|----------|---------------|
| | Amount | % of Total | Amount | % of Total |
| State Departments | \$ 78,391 | 46.6% | \$ 6,084 | 44.5% |
| Public Schools | 69,237 | 41,1% | ÷ | - |
| Other Political Subdivisions | 20,644 | 12.3% | 7,600 | 55.5% |
| | \$168,272 | 100.0% | \$13,684 | 100.0% |

NUMBER OF ENTITIES BY TYPE

| • | SCRS | | PORS | |
|------------------------------|--------|----------------------|--------|---------------|
| | Number | % of <u>Total</u> | Number | % of Total |
| State Departments | 145 | 24.7% | 25 | 12,6% |
| Public Schools | 114 | 19.5% | * | · |
| Other Political Subdivisions | 327 | 55.8% | 174 | 87.4% |
| | 586 | 100.0% | 199 | 100.0% |

Members of the GARS are reported as State Department employees (the Senate and House of Representatives).

Current contributing members of the Systems may, under various sections of the Retirement Act, establish credit for past service, service credit while in the military as well as service cancelled by previous withdrawal of contributions. Costs involved in establishing these types of service vary between Systems, classes of membership within the Systems, as well as by years involved.

The following page presents five (5) year comparisons of member and employer contributions.

MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS (000'S OMITTED)

| Year Ended June 30, | Amount | CRS % Increase For Year | Amount | ORS % Increase For Year | Amount | ARS % Increase For Year |
|------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| 1979 | \$71,004 | 12.6% | \$4,270 | 12.5% | \$234 | 46.3% |
| 1978 | 63,044 | 11.3% | 3,796 | 12.9% | 160 | 2.1% |
| 1977 | 56,622 | 6.2% | 3,363 | 10.2% | 157 | 10.0% |
| 1976 | 53,328 | 15.7% | 3,052 | (9.7)% | 143 | 23.6% |
| 1975 | 46,093 | 19.9% | 3,381 | 48.4% | 116 | 21.8% |

COMBINED EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS (000'S OMITTED)

| | SCRS_ | | PORS_ | | GARS_ | |
|---------------------|----------|------------------------|---------|------------------------|--------|------------------------|
| Year Ended June 30, | Amount | % Increase For Year | Amount | % Increase For Year | Amount | % Increase For Year |
| 1979 | \$97,268 | 11.8% | \$9,414 | 12.1% | \$492 | 20.0% |
| 1978 | 87,022 | 10.5% | 8,397 | 9.9% | 410 | 5.1% |
| 1977 | 78,777 | 7.4% | 7,641 | 12,2% | 390 | 34,5% |
| 1976 | 73,383 | 14.7% | 6,811 | 6.9% | 290 | - |
| 1975 | 63,971 | 17.2% | 6,371 | 28.1% | 290 | 11.5% |

GROWTH OF INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT INCOME (000'S OMITTED)

SCRS

| Year Ended June 30, | Total Net Investments | Percent Increase For Year | Net Income From Investments | Percent Increase For Year | Rate of Return |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1979 | \$1,536,200 | 14.5% | \$108,853 | 19.0% | 7.86% |
| 1978 | 1,341,838 | 13.8% | 91,474 | 16.8% | 7.53% |
| 1977 | 1,179,302 | 15.0% | 78,327 | 20,4% | 7.37% |
| 1976 | 1,025,424 | 15.5% | 65,067 | 20.3% | 7.04% |
| 1975 | 887,729 | 14.9% | 54,076 | 18,1% | 6.73% |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | PORS | ٠ | • | |
| 1979 | \$ 110 , 993 | 17.6% | \$ 8,036 | 29,2% | 8,14% |
| 1978 | 94,362 | 18.8% | 6,221 | 19,7% | 7,43% |
| 1977 | 79,416 | 18.2% | 5,199 | 19.5% | 7.35% |
| 1976 | 67,200 | 20.2% | 4,351 | 29,8% | 7.33% |
| 1975 | 55,896 | 22.6% | 3,353 | 19,1% | 6,83% |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| * | | GARS | | | |
| 1979 | \$ 5,106 | 18.3% | \$ 341 | 18,2% | 7.50% |
| 1978 | 4,317 | 17.3% | 288 | 29.2% | 7.48% |
| 1977 | 3,679 | 31,2% | 223 | 15,5% | 7.13% |
| 1976 | 2,805 | 7.4% | 193 | 8,2% | 7,40% |
| 1975 | 2,612 | 21.7% | 179 | 37,8% | 7.80% |

INVESTMENTS:

The responsibility for investment of all funds of the Systems rests with the State Treasurer. Restrictions on investments imposed by law generally require purchase of high grade fixed income securities and government obligations. The State Treasurer and the Retirement Systems constantly monitor the flow of revenue and expenditures as part of a continuously improving cash management program.

In Fiscal Year 77-78 a zero balance banking system was initiated. Under this system funds remain invested in short term obligations until actually required on a given day to clear checks presented for payment. This system generated over \$124,000 in additional revenue during the current fiscal year and over \$84,000 in Fiscal Year 77-78.

Over the past three years great advances have been made in the automation of investment activity. At this time this massive project is virtually complete. This system has the capability of maintaining complete inventories of investments, generation of reports of principal and interest payments due, as well as providing necessary information required by the State Treasurer to fulfill the custodial function and provide information required by the Retirement Systems to maintain complete investment accounting records.

The accompanying schedules present various statistical information relating to investments and investment income.

DISTRIBUTION OF INVESTMENTS BY TYPE (000'S OMITTED)

| SCRS | June 30, Par Value | 1979 % of Total | June 30, Par Value | 1978 % of Total | June 30, Par Value | 1977 % of Total |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| U. S. Treasury Bills | \$ 256,205 | 16.6% | \$ 116,870 | 8.7% | \$ 78,645 | 6.7% |
| U. S. Government Agencies | 172,162 | 11.1% | 151,793 | 11.3% | 103,951 | 8.8% |
| Insured Merchant Marine Bonds | 157,233 | 10.2% | 114,969 | 8,5% | 97,270 | 8,2% |
| State of South Carolina Institutions | 4,545 | .3% | 13,116 | 1.0% | 14,000 | 1.2% |
| Corporate Bonds: Industrials | 454,712 | 29.3% | 482,050 | 35,8% | 480,375 | 40.7% |
| Utilities | 405,541 | 26.2% | 386,319 | 28,7% | 364,195 | 30.8% |
| Rails | 18,352 | 1.2% | 18,731 | 1,4% | 19,078 | 1.6% |
| Financial & Other | 78,600 | 5.1% | 62,600 | 4.6% | 23,600 | 2.0% |
| | \$1,547,350 | 100.0% | \$1,346,448 | 100.0% | \$1,181,114 | 100.0% |
| PORS | | | | | | |
| U. S. Treasury Bills | \$ 15,735 | 14.1% | \$ 9,865 | 10,4% | \$ 9,215 | 11.6% |
| U. S. Government Agencies | 26,406 | 23.6% | 25,049 | 26.5% | 19,823 | 25.0% |
| Insured Merchant Marine Bonds | 8,922 | 8.0% | 4,500 | 4,7% | 2,000 | 2.5% |
| Corporate Bonds: Industrials | 26,549 | 23.8% | 27,521 | 29,1% | 25,702 | 32.4% |
| Utilities | 19,215 | 17.2% | 18,310 | 19.4% | 18,310 | 23.0% |
| Financial & Other | 14,900 | 13.3% | 9,380 | 9,9% | 4,380 | 5,5% |
| | \$ 111,727 | 100.0% | \$ 94,625 | 100,0% | \$ 79,430 | 100.0% |

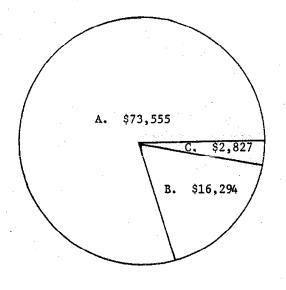
DISTRIBUTION OF INVESTMENTS BY TYPE (CONTINUED) (000'S OMITTED)

| GARS | June 30, 1 Par Value | 1979 % of Total | June 30, Par Value | 1978 % of Total | June 30, Par Value | 1977 % of Total |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| U. S. Treasury Bills | \$ 835 | 16.3% | \$ 420 | 9,7% | \$ 470 | 12.8% |
| U. S. Government Agencies | 1,900 | 37.0% | 1,900 | 44,0% | 1,600 | 43.6% |
| Insured Merchant Marine Bonds | 400 | 7.8% | -0- | -0- | -0- | -0- |
| Corporate Bonds: Industrials | 1,500 | 29.2% | 1,500 | 34.7% | 1,300 | 35,4% |
| Utilities | 300 | 5.8% | 300 | 7.0% | 300 | 8,2% |
| Financial & Other | 200 | 3.9% | 200 | 4.6% | -0- | -0- |
| | | | | | | |
| | \$ 5,135 | 100.0% | \$ 4,320 | 100,0% | \$ 3,670 | 100.0% |

DISTRIBUTION OF INVESTMENTS BY MATURITY DATE (000'S OMITTED) JUNE 30, 1979

| | SCRS | SCRS | | PORS | | GARS | |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------------|--|
| | Par | % of | Par | % of | Par | % of | |
| | <u>Value</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>Value</u> | Total | Value | <u>Total</u> | |
| 0 - 5 Years | \$ 293,381 | 19.0% | \$ 30,935 | 27,7% | \$ 835 | 16.3% | |
| 6 - 10 Years | 46,978 | 3.0% | 10,508 | 9,4% | 400 | 7.8% | |
| 11 - 15 Years | 29,066 | 1.9% | 3,824 | 3,4% | - | - | |
| 16 - 20 Years | 254,668 | 16.4% | 17,859 | 16.0% | 1,700 | 33.1% | |
| 21 - 25 Years | 476,504 | 30,8% | 20,303 | 18,2% | 1,200 | 23.4% | |
| 26 - 30 Years | 380,408 | 24.6% | 25,393 | 22,7% | 1,000 | 19.4% | |
| Over 30 Years | 66,345 | 4.3% | 2,905 | 2,6% | | | |
| • | \$1,547,350 | 100,0% | \$111,727 | 100.0% | \$5,135 | 100.0% | |

EXPENDITURES DISTRIBUTION (000'S OMITTED)



SCRS

| | Percent | age of |
|---|---------|--------|
| | Expendi | ltures |
| • | 79 | 78 |
| | 79.3% | 78.5% |
| | 17.6% | 18.5% |
| | | |

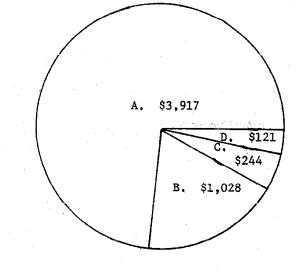
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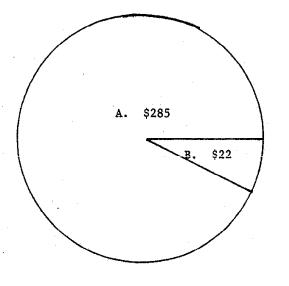
| Д. | Annuity Benefits | 79.3% | 78.5% |
|----|---------------------|-------|-------|
| В. | Member Refunds | 17.6% | 18.5% |
| C. | Group Life Benefits | 3.1% | 3.0% |

PORS

| Percent | tage | οf |
|---------|-------|----|
| Expend | iture | 28 |
| | 70 | |

| | | 1.2 | 7.0 |
|----|---------------------|-------|-------|
| A. | Annuity Benefits | 73.8% | 72.4% |
| В. | Member Refunds | 19.3% | 20.2% |
| C. | Group Life Benefits | 4.6% | 4.9% |
| D. | Accidental Death | -74 | |
| | Benefits | 2.3% | 2,5% |





GARS

| | | Expenditures | | |
|----|---------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|--|
| | | 79 | 78 | |
| A | Annuity Benefits | 92,9% | 98.1% | |
| В. | Member Refunds | 7,1% | 1.9% | |
| С. | Group Life Benefits | -0- | . - 0 - | |

EXPENDITURES:

The Systems' disbursements consist of monthly annuity benefits, refunds of member contributions, and payments of group life insurance benefits. We disburse monthly benefits to former members based upon normal service retirement as well as disability retirement.

A summary of our retirant population follows:

| * | SCRS | | P0 | IRS | GARS | |
|----------|--------|---------------|--------|---------------|--------|---------------|
| June 30, | Number | % Increase | Number | % Increase | Number | % Increase |
| 1979 | 21,385 | 7.2% | 1,265 | 10,8% | 49 | 14.0% |
| 1978 | 19,946 | 7.3% | 1,142 | 10.8% | 43 | (2,2)% |
| 1977 | 18,591 | 12.6% | 1,031 | 12.9% | 44 | 1.6% |

Based upon disbursements by the SCRS for the month of June, 1979, there were 12,284 public school retirees receiving an average benefit of \$312 as compared to 11,661 public school retirees receiving an average benefit of \$295 for June, 1978. In addition, there were 6,604 State employees receiving an average annuity of \$295, and 2,497 retirees from other political subdivisions receiving an average annuity of \$196 for the month of June, 1979.

June disbursements by the PORS reflected a total of 1,265 retirees receiving an average annuity of \$256 for 1979 as opposed to 1,142 retirees receiving an average \$238 annuity for 1978.

Under the SCRS disability retirement program, there were 2,365 retirees receiving an average benefit of \$273 and 182 retirees under the PORS program receiving an average benefit of \$239.

A five year comparison of annuity benefits follows:

| Year | SCRS | | PORS | | GARS | |
|----------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| Ended June 30, | Amount | % Increase | Amount | % Increase | Amount | % Increase |
| 1979 | \$73,555,311 | 13.4% | \$3,916,845 | 17.1% | \$284,924 | 36.2% |
| 1978 | 64,853,794 | 15.8% | 3,347,173 | 23.7% | 209,235 | 8.3% |
| 1977 | 55,994,358 | 20.3% | 2,704,860 | 19.8% | 193,114 | 47.3% |
| 1976 | 46,557,461 | 18.1% | 2,258,458 | 26.6% | 131,117 | 50.8% |
| 1975 | 39,429,153 | 26.1% | 1,779,809 | 7,7% | 86,920 | 10.7% |

In addition to the benefits orginally calculated for retired members, periodic cost of living increases are provided. Effective July 1, 1979 a total of 18,837 SCRS retirees and 1,070 PORS retirees were eligible for a 4% per month cost of living increase totaling approximately \$216,000 and \$10,400 respectively. These retirees also received a special one time 2% cost of living increase approved by the General Assembly, effective July 1, 1979.

Each of the Systems also administers a group life insurance program under which a lump sum benefit is payable to the beneficiary or estate of a covered employee. The benefit under this program is equal to the annual earnable compensation of the member at the time of death.

During fiscal year 78-79 the SCRS disbursed 245 insurance claims totaling \$2,826,971, or an average of \$11,539, compared to 240 claims averaging \$10,427 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1978.

The PORS paid an average group life insurance claim of \$11,088 to 22 beneficiaries during fiscal year 78-79. A total of \$229,478 was disbursed to 21 beneficiaries in fiscal year 77-78, resulting in an average claim of \$10,927.

There have been no group life insurance claims submitted to the GARS in the past two fiscal years.

The PORS administers an accidental death program under which the beneficiary of a member killed in the actual performance of duty receives a monthly benefit equal to 50% of the member's compensation at the time of death. The beneficiaries of 28 members were receiving an average monthly benefit of \$417 in the month of June, 1979.

Refunds of employee contributions and accumulated interest are made to members who leave covered service prior to retirement. During fiscal year 78-79 a total of \$16,294,460 was paid to 15,312 SCRS members, resulting in an average benefit of \$1,064. This compares to an average benefit of \$835 paid in fiscal year 77-78.

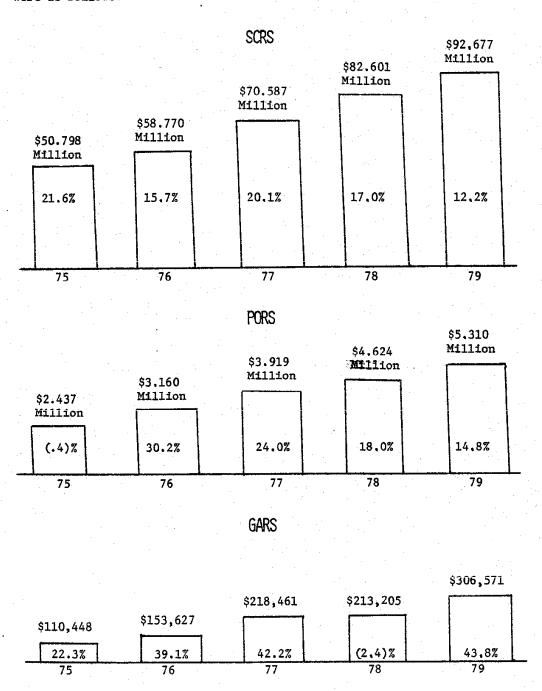
The PORS disbursed a total of 956 checks equaling \$1,028,224 in fiscal year 78-79 while the GARS disbursed 9 checks for a total of \$21,646.

A five year comparison of refund payments follows:

| | SCRS | | PORS | | GARS | |
|---------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|---------|----------|---------|
| Year Ended June 30, | Amount | % Change | Amount | Change | Amount | Change |
| 1979 | \$16,294,460 | 6.9% | \$1,028,224 | 10,2% | \$21,646 | 445.2% |
| 1978 | 15,244,971 | 25.4% | 933,193 | 16.6% | 3,970 | (65.0)% |
| 1977 | 12,161,638 | 25,1% | 800,570 | 62,5% | 11,347 | (26,8)% |
| 1976 | 9,723,373 | 10.4% | 492,653 | 41,1% | 15,510 | (20.6)% |
| 1975 | 8,810,675 | 4.6% | 349,204 | (13.8)% | 19,528 | 150,5% |

GROWTH OF EXPENDITURES

Total expenditures and percentage increases over the past five (5) years were as follows:



CURRENT LEGISLATION:

A summary of amendments to the Retirement Act made during the 1979 Session of the Legislature follows:

Act 16 removes the early retirement penalty for those retirees under the SCRS who retired prior to July 1, 1975 with at least 30 years of service but less than 35 years of service and who were under 65 years of age.

Act 31 prohibits the mandatory retirement of teachers, solely due to age, prior to the attainment of age 70.

Act 82 reduces the vesting period under the SCRS from 15 years to 5 years and from 20 years to 5 years for the PORS, thus, a member with at least 5 years of service credit who leaves his contributions on deposit with the System will be eligible for a monthly benefit beginning at age 60 under the SCRS and at age 55 under the PORS.

Act 102 extends the period for which a disability retirement application is valid from 90 days to 6 months for all three Systems.

The 1979 General Appropriation Act contained the following provisions:

- a. Raised the earnings limitation for retirees returning to covered employment from \$4000 to \$4500 per year. This provision is applicable to retirees under the SCRS and PORS.
- b. Effective July 1, 1979 adds a one time 2% cost of living increase for those retirees who have been retired for two Decembers. This is in addition to the 4% cost of living increase granted by the System. This provision is applicable to retirees under the SCRS and PORS.
- c. Effective July 1, 1980 the State will pay basic hospitalization cost for retired State employees and teachers.

Act 150 of the Acts and Joint Resolution of South Carolina, 1979 established, effective July 1, 1979, the Retirement System for Judges and Solicitors of the State of South Carolina for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits for judges and solicitors.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES SOUTH CAROLINA RETIREMENT SYSTEM

| | JUNE 30, 1979 | JUNE 30, 1978 |
|---|--|--|
| ASSETS | | |
| Cash Accounts Receivable | \$ 1,272,193 24,557,817 | \$ 2,935,713 25,892,991 |
| Investments, at adjusted amortized cost | 1,536,200,162 | 1,341,837,830 |
| | | |
| | | |
| | \$1,562,030,172 | \$1,370,666,534 |
| | | |
| | | |
| FUND BALANCES | | ٠. |
| Employee Annuity Savings Fund Employer Annuity Accumulation Fund Employer Group Life Insurance Fund | \$ 450,853,114 1,102,413,877 8,763,181 | \$ 393,901,596 969,820,812 6,944,126 |
| | | • |
| | | * |
| | \$1,562,030,172 | \$1,370,666,534 |

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES SOUTH CAROLINA RETIREMENT SYSTEM

| | | Employee Savings | |
|--|---|---------------------|------------------|
| | • | Year Ended | June 30, 1978 |
| Revenues: | | | |
| Contributions by Members | | | |
| State Department Employees | | \$ 32,937,762 | \$ 28,627,262 |
| Public School Employees | | 28,840,668 | 25,967,433 |
| Other Political Subdivision Employees | | 9,225,263 | 8,449,238 |
| Contributions by Employers | | | |
| State Department Employers | | | |
| Public School Employers | | | |
| Other Political Subdivision Employers | | | |
| Supplemental Retirement Benefits Funded by the State | • | | |
| Investment Transactions | | - | * |
| Earnings on investments | | | 4 |
| Amortization of July 1, 1971 deferred | | | |
| yield adjustment | | | <u> </u> |
| Total Revenues | | 71,003,693 | 63,043,933 |
| Expenditures: | | | |
| Regular Retirement Benefits | | | |
| Supplemental Retirement Benefits | | • | |
| Group Life Insurance Payments | | | |
| Refunds of Contributions to Members | | 16,294,460 | 15,244,971 |
| Total Expenditures | | 16,294,460 | 15,244,971 |
| Interfund Transfers According to Statutory Requirements: | 4 | | |
| Contributions by Members at Retirement | | (12,819,696) | (13,486,960) |
| Interest Credited to Members' Accounts | | 15,061,981 | 13,235,510 |
| Net Interfund Transfers | | 2,242,285 | (251,450) |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | | 56,951,518 | 47,547,512 |
| Fund Balance at Beginning of Year | | 393,901,596 | 346,354,084 |
| Fund Balance at End of Year | | \$450,853,114 | \$393,901,596 |

| <u>1979</u> <u>1978</u> | 1979 | e Fund June 30, 1978 |
|--|------------------|----------------------------|
| | - 4 6 | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| \$ 43,541,811 \$ 39,187,659 | \$1,911,425 | \$1,688,838 |
| 38,687,287 34,016,658 10,933,644 10,160,700 | 1,709,270 | 1,481,426 |
| ,200,000 | 485,216 | 486,593 |
| 6,915,186 6,397,326 | | |
| 0,377,320 | | |
| 109,270,465 92,149,601 | F/A 11= | |
| | 540,115 | 282,279 |
| <u>(957,732)</u> <u>(957,732</u>) | | |
| 208,390,661 180,954,212 | 4,646,026 | 3,939,136 |
| | | _,, |
| 66,640,125 58,456,468 | | • |
| 6,915,186 6,397,326 | | |
| | 2,826,971 | 2,502,441 |
| 73,555,311 64,853,794 | | |
| 73,555,311 64,853,794 | 2,826,971 | 2,502,441 |
| | | |
| 12,819,696 13,486,960 | | |
| (15,061,981) $(13,235,510)$ | | |
| (2,242,285)251,450 | | |
| | | |
| 132,593,065 116,351,868 | 1,819,055 | 1,436,695 |
| 969,820,812 853,468,944 | 6,944,126 | 5,507,431 |

\$8,763,181

\$6,944,126

\$1,102,413,877

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES SOUTH CAROLINA POLICE OFFICERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM

| | | JUNE 30, 1979 | JUNE 30, 1978 |
|---|--|---|--|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Cash Accounts Receivable | | \$ 291,066 1,464,802 | \$ 395,674 1,460,490 |
| Investments, at adjusted amortized co | ost | 110,992,863 | 94,362,426 |
| | | | ************************************** |
| | | \$112,748,731 | \$96,218,590 |
| | | | |
| FUND BALANCES | en e | | |
| Employee Annuity Savings Funds Employer Annuity Accumulation Funds Employer Accidental Death Fund Employer Group Life Insurance Fund | | \$ 24,434,475 85,862,521 902,296 1,549,439 | \$21,352,433 72,972,100 656,371 1,237,686 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| | | \$112,748,731 | \$96,218,590 |

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES SOUTH CAROLINA POLICE OFFICERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM

| | Employee Annuity Savings Funds Year Ended June 30, 1979 1978 |
|--|--|
| | |
| Revenues: Employee Contributions | |
| State Department Employees Other Political Subdivision Employees | \$ 1,940,001 \$ 1,679,972 2,330,380 2,116,516 |
| Total Revenues | 4,270,381 3,796,488 |
| Expenditures: | |
| Refunds to Members | 1,028,224 933,193 |
| Interfund Transfers According to Statutory Requirements: | |
| Contributions by Members at Retirement Interest Credited to Members' Accounts | |
| Net Interfund Transfers | (160,115) 202,483 |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | 3,082,042 3,065,778 |
| Fund Balance at Beginning of Year | 21,352,433 18,286,655 |
| Fund Balance at End of Year | \$24,434,475 \$21,352,433 |

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES (CONTINUED) AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES SOUTH CAROLINA POLICE OFFICERS RETIREMENT SYSTEM

| | Employer Annuity Accumulation Funds | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| | | | |
| | Year Ended June 30, | | |
| | 1979 | 1978 | |
| - - | | | |
| Revenues: | | | |
| Employer Contributions | | | |
| State Departments | \$ 3,802,607 | \$ 3,323,696 | |
| Other Political Subdivisions | 4,866,615 | | |
| | 4,000,013 | 4,406,477 | |
| Supplemental Retirement Benefits | | | |
| Funded by the State | 310 5/0 | 107 01- | |
| - and du by the btate | 119,543 | 137,841 | |
| Investment Transactions | | | |
| | | | |
| Earnings on Investments | 7,868,560 | 6,126,791 | |
| Amortization of July 1, 1971 deferred | | | |
| yield adjustment | (10,174) | (10,174) | |
| | | ************************************** | |
| Total Revenues | 16,647,151 | 13,984,631 | |
| | • | | |
| | | | |
| Expenditures: | | | |
| Regular Retirement Benefits | 3,797,302 | 3,209,332 | |
| Supplemental Retirement Benefits | 119,543 | 137,841 | |
| Group Life Insurance Benefits | TT3 1343 | 137,041 | |
| Accidental Death Benefits | 13.14 | | |
| | | ` . | |
| Total Expenditures | 2 03 6 0 / 5 | 0.01 | |
| rocar exhematentes | 3,910,645 | 3,347,173 | |
| • | | | |
| Introduced Manager Association | | | |
| Interfund Transfers According to | | | |
| Statutory Requirements: | | | |
| Contributions by Members at Retirement | 964,608 | 500,479 | |
| Interest Credited to Members' Accounts | (804,493) | (702,962) | |
| | | | |
| Net Interfund Transfers | 160,115 | (202,483) | |
| | | | |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | 12,890,421 | 10,434,975 | |
| | ,000,422 | 10,404,070 | |
| Fund Balance at Beginning of Year | 72,972,100 | 62 527 125 | |
| | 72, 7/2, 100 | 62,537,125 | |
| Fund Balance at End of Year | 605 060 501 | 670 070 100 | |
| Designed at Hill At 1501 | \$85,862,521 | \$72,972,100 | |

| Employer Accident Death Fund Year Ended June 1979 | i | | Insuran | Group Life ace Fund ad June 30, 1978 |
|---|--------------------|--|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | 116,241 148,476 | | \$ 208,870 241,001 | \$ 181,972 220,429 |
| | | | | |
| 71,460 | 43,190 | | 105,812 | 61,469 |
| 366,599 | 307,907 | | 555,683 | 463,870 |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | 243,930 | 229,478 |
| · · | 114,185 | | | · |
| 120,674 | 114,185 | | 243,930 | 229,478 |
| | | | | |
| | | | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
| 245,925 | 193,722 | | 311,753 | 234,392 |
| | 462,649 | | 1,237,686 | 1,003,294 |
| \$902,296 \$ | 656,371 | | \$1,549,439 | \$1,237,686 |

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

| | JUNE 30, 1979 | JUNE 30, 1978 |
|---|---|--------------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Cash Accounts Receivable | \$ 7,911 1,000 | \$ 37,081 -0- |
| Investments, at adjusted amortized cost | 5,106,287 | 4,317,255 |
| | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | |
| | | |
| | \$5,115,198 | \$4,354,336 |
| | | |
| | e e | |
| FUND BALANCES | | |
| Employee Annuity Savings Fund Employer Annuity Accumulation Fund | \$1,455,099 3,660,099 | \$1,220,771 3,133,565 |
| | | |
| | \$5,115,198 | \$4,354,336 |

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

| | Employee Savings Year Ended | Fund June 30, | Employer Accumulat Year Ended | ion Fund June 30, |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|
| | <u> 1979</u> | <u>1978</u> | <u>1979</u> | 1978 |
| Revenues: | | | | |
| State Appropriations | | | \$ 492.500 | \$ 410,080 |
| Earnings on Investments Contributions by Members | \$ 234,166 | \$ 160,279 | 340,767 | 288,376 |
| Total Revenues | 234,166 | 160,279 | 833,267 | 698,456 |
| | | | | |
| Expenditures: Retirement Benefits | | | 284,925 | 209,235 |
| Refunds to Members | 21,646 | 3,970 | | |
| Total Expenditures | 21,646 | 3,970 | 284,925 | 209,235 |
| Interfund Transfers According to Statutory Requirements: | • • | | | |
| Contributions by Members at Retirement Interest Credited to | (25,833) | (5,915) | 25,833 | 5,915 |
| Members' Accounts | 47,641 | 41,102 | (47,641) | (41,102) |
| Net Interfund Transfers | 21,808 | 35,187 | (21,808) | (35,187) |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | 234,328 | 191,496 | 526,534 | 454,034 |
| Fund Balance at Beginning of Year | 1,220,771 | 1,029,275 | 3,133,565 | 2,679,531 |
| Fund Balance at End of Year | \$1,455,099 | \$1,220,771 | \$3,660,099 | \$3,133,565 |

See notes to financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS THE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

AUTHORIZING LEGISLATION

The South Carolina Retirement System was established, effective July 1, 1945, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-1-20 of the 1976 South Carolina Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits for teachers and employees of the State and political subdivisions thereof.

The South Carolina <u>Police Officers Retirement System</u> was established, effective July 1, 1962, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-11-20 of the Code of Laws for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits for police officers and firemen.

The Retirement System for Members of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina (GARS) was created, effective January 1, 1966, pursuant to the provisions of Section 9-9-20 of the Code of Laws to provide retirement allowances and other benefits for members of the General Assembly.

Responsibility for the investment of all funds of the Systems is vested in the State Treasurer under the restrictions imposed by Section 11-9-660 of the Code of Laws.

The costs of administering the Systems are appropriated annually by the General Assembly and are not reflected in the accounts of the Systems.

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Prior to July 1, 1971 the Systems followed accounting practices which produced carrying values in the investment portfolio which were in excess of the values as determined in conformity with acceptable methods of accounting for securities transactions. The excess of security carrying values in the investment portfolio as determined according to the accounting procedures followed by the System, and the values as determined using a deferred yield adjustment method of accounting, at July 1, 1971 was \$19,154,639 for the SCRS, \$203,480 for the PORS, and \$0 for the GARS. The respective excess carrying values are being amortized through charges to current operations using the straight-line method over a twenty year period beginning July 1, 1971.

Investments are currently valued at adjusted amortized cost (amortized cost plus unamortized deferred yield adjustments). The Systems amortize bond premium and accrete bond discount for all securities acquired after July 1, 1971 using the straight-line method based upon maturity dates.

The deferred yield adjustment method of accounting for bond exchanges prescribes when exchanges have taken place (bonds being replaced with similar bonds), the current operating statement should not show gains or losses from bond exchanges nor should the statement of assets available for retirement benefits disclose materially different carrying values for similar bonds. Under this method, the difference between the proceeds from

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) THE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

the sale of a bond (which are reinvested in a similar bond) and the book value of the bond sold is not recorded as a gain or loss, but is recorded as an amount to be amortized over the future life of the bond exchanged or acquired, whichever is shorter, to offset the future interest income including accretion of any discount or amortization of any premium which results in the purchase of bonds to replace the bonds sold. Recognizing the long-term yield objectives of investing, the deferred yield adjustment method provides a more reasonable basis within a public employee retirement system to account for bond exchanges and accordingly, the use of this method provides financial information which more properly reflects the substance of the transactions.

Earnings on investments consist of interest actually received during the year (net of accrued interest on bonds purchased), less amortization of bond premium, plus accretion of bond discount, and the amortization of the deferred yield adjustment for bond exchanges since July 1, 1971. Any gains and losses arising from non-exchange bond transactions are not deferred and are recognized as current year gains and losses.

Contributions from members and employers are recorded on the accrual basis of accounting.

Interest is credited annually at the rate of 4% per annum to members' accounts based upon balances in the accounts on June 30th of the preceding year by transferring the amounts earned from the respective employer annuity accumulation funds to the members' accounts in the employee annuity savings funds.

Retirement benefits and refunds to members are not recorded until disbursed.

INVESTMENTS

Adjusted amortized cost of investments for the respective Systems is computed as follows:

SCRS

| | June 30, 1979 | June 30, 1978 |
|--|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Par value of securities | \$1,547,349,787 | \$1,346,447,817 |
| Add (deduct): Net unaccreted discount Amortized cost of securities | (71,476,455) 1,475,873,332 | (49,137,433) 1,297,310,384 |
| Add unamortized deferred yield adjustments | 60,326,830 | 44,527,446 |
| Adjusted amortized cost | \$1,536,200,162 | \$1,341,837,830 |

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) THE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

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|----------------------------|--|
| June 30, 1979 | June 30, 1978 |
| \$111,727,039 | \$94,624,858 |
| (2,991,352) 108,735,687 | (1,190,143) 93,434,715 |
| 2,257,176 | 927,711 |
| \$110,992,863 | \$94,362,426 |
| | |
| \$ 5,135,000 | \$ 4,320,000 |
| (56,499) 5,078,501 | (32,469) 4,287,531 |
| 27,786 | 29,724 |
| \$ 5,106,287 | \$ 4,317,255 |
| | \$111,727,039 (2,991,352) 108,735,687 2,257,176 \$110,992,863 \$ 5,135,000 (56,499) 5,078,501 27,786 |

Contributions to and earnings of the Systems are expected to exceed retirement and withdrawal payments for an extended period of time. As a consequence of this cash flow, no provision is considered necessary for possible losses on disposal of securities in the investment portfolio because the Systems have the ability and intend to either hold the securities to maturity or exchange such securities and do not expect to realize any significant losses. Market value is one of the factors considered in the overall management of the portfolios which are governed primarily by specific statutory requirements. Independent investment counsel is retained to assist in the investment process.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) THE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

UNFUNDED LIABILITY

According to the latest reports issued by George B. Buck, Consulting Actuaries, Inc. the accrued liability contributions for past service costs which were not covered by assets held by the Systems as of June 30, 1978 were \$445,770,567 with respect to the SCRS, \$23,425,224 with respect to the PORS, and \$4,200,645 with respect to the GARS. Unfunded vested benefits are not calculated in the actuaries' reports.

REPORT OF THE STATE AGENT
FOR
SOCIAL SECURITY

On July 22, 1954, the Director of the South Carolina Retirement

System on behalf of the State of South Carolina signed the Master

Federal-State Agreement with the Department of Health, Education, and

Welfare, as authorized by the Social Security Act, Title II, Section 218,

permitting social security coverage to be extended to employees of the

State and its political subdivisions.

Administration of the Social Security Act was delegated to the Director of the South Carolina Retirement System as State Agent. The responsibilities of the State Agent include negotiating Modifications to the Master Federal-State Agreement, overseeing the processing of quarterly reports of wage information and remittance of tax collected as well as providing information and consultation on the various procedures available under federal and state statutes concerning adoption of coverage.

The agreement between the State and the Social Security Administration requires that the State and all counties, municipalities, boards of education and public agencies of the State make quarterly reports of wages paid to their employees who are covered by Social Security pursuant to the Agreement. The State Agent receives these reports with the Social Security contributions (taxes), reviews and summarizes them, and forwards them to the Social Security Administration.

The State Agency processed an average of 805 quarterly Social Security wage reports in each quarter of fiscal year 78-79 covering approximately 187,000 public employees of the State, its political subdivisions and instrumentalities. Total Social Security contributions of over \$195 million were transmitted to the Social Security Administration to cover employer and employee tax liability on these reports.

The Social Security Administration has published a final regulation effective July 1, 1980, which will require the deposit of contributions in the federal reserve system within 15 days after the first two months, and 45 days after the third month of each calendar quarter. The current contribution schedule requires deposits within 45 days after the close of each quarter.

At the State level we currently require employers to remit contributions within 30 days after the close of each quarter. This schedule gives us 15 days to edit, correct and perform other necessary audit procedures to meet the 45 day deadline.

It will be necessary under the new 15-15-45 day regulation for employers to remit contributions to the State Agent within 7 days after the close of the first two months, and 30 days after the third month of each quarter. This will allow a minimum time period to perform the necessary functions at the State level prior to the deposit deadline.

The Social Security Administration has also published regulations changing from the present quarterly reporting of wages to an annual reporting plan similar to that initiated for private enterprise entities. The scheduled implementation date for this change is January 1, 1981.

Modifications to the South Carolina State Social Security Agreement approved during the year ended June 30, 1979 were as follows:

Modification No. 347, amends the effective date of Modification No. 342 from October 1, 1976 to April 1, 1957 and extends coverage to all coverage groups of employees' services.

Modification No. 348, extends coverage to employees of the Laurens County Water Resources Commission whose services are covered by the South Carolina Retirement System. The effective date of coverage was February 1, 1977.

Modification No. 349, amends Modification No. 12 by deleting Lexington County Department of Education and identifying Lexington County School District No. 1, Lexington County School District No. 3, Lexington County School District No. 3, Lexington County School District No. 4, and Lexington County School District No. 5 as additional political subdivisions participating in the South Carolina Retirement System, all effective as of the effective date of Modification No. 12.

Modification No. 350, extends coverage to employees of the Town of Sharon as an absolute coverage group. Services of elected positions, part-time positions, and positions compensated on the basis of fees are excluded from coverage. The effective date of coverage was April 1, 1978.

Modification No. 351, extends coverage to employees of the South Greenville Fire District as an absolute coverage group. Services in part-time positions were excluded from coverage. The effective date of coverage was January 1, 1978.

Modification No. 352, extends coverage to employees of the Santee-Wateree Regional Transportation Authority as an absolute coverage group. Services in elected positions and services in positions compensated on the basis of fees are excluded from coverage. The effective date of coverage was June 15, 1978.

Modification No. 353, extends coverage to all employees of the Grand Strand Water and Sewer Authority whose services are covered by the South Carolina Retirement System. The effective date of coverage was September 1, 1978.

Modification No. 354, extended coverage to employees of the Town of Atlantic Beach as an absolute coverage group, with no exclusions from coverage. The effective date of coverage was January 1, 1979.

Modification No. 355, identified the Marion County Library as an additional political subdivision participant of the South Carolina Retirement System. The effective date of coverage was July 1, 1970.

Modification No. 356, extended coverage to employees of the Darlington County Water and Sewer Authority as an absolute coverage group, with no exclusions from coverage. The effective date of coverage was November 20, 1978.

Modification No. 357, extended coverage to employees of Piedmont Multi-County Retardation Board whose services are covered by the South Carolina Retirement System. The effective date of coverage was April 1, 1979.

Modification No. 358, extended coverage to the employees of the Town of Eutawville as an absolute coverage group. Services of elected positions, part-time positions, and positions compensated on the basis of fees are excluded from coverage. The effective date of coverage was January 1, 1979.

Modification No. 359, amended Modification No. 23 to delete the exclusion of services in 'all classes of elective positions' and extended coverage to such services for the Town of Hampton. The effective date of coverage for such services was June 1, 1977.

Modification No. 360, amended the effective date of Modification No. 353 from September 1, 1978 to September 1, 1977.

Modification No. 361, extended coverage to the employees of the Housing Authority of the City of York as an absolute coverage group. Services in all classes of elective positions and services in positions compensated on a fee basis are excluded from coverage. The effective date of coverage was September 30, 1977.

Modification No. 362, amended Modification No. 12 by deleting Orangeburg County Board of Education and adding Orangeburg County School District 1, Orangeburg County School District 2, Orangeburg County School District 3, Orangeburg County School District 4, Orangeburg County School District 6, Orangeburg County School District 7, and Orangeburg County School District 8 as additional political subdivision participants in the South Carolina Retirement System. The effective date of coverage was July 1, 1955.

Modification No. 363, extended coverage to employees of the Town of Livingston whose services are covered by the South Carolina Retirement System. The effective date of coverage was April 1, 1979.

Modification No. 364, extended coverage to employees of the Six Mile Rural Community Water District whose services are covered by the South Carolina Retirement System. The effective date of coverage was April 12, 1979.

Modification No. 365, extended coverage to the employees of the Town of Trenton as an absolute coverage group. Services of part-time positions, elected positions, and positions compensated on a fee basis are excluded from coverage. The effective date of coverage was June 21, 1979.

Statistical data for the quarter ended March 31, 1979 follows:

| | State Employees | Public School Employees | Municipal, County and Other Employees | <u>Total</u> |
|---|--------------------|-------------------------------|--|--------------|
| Number of reports with contribution | າກຣ | | | |
| within specified range: | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Contributions | | | | |
| From To | | | | |
| \$ 0 \$ 1,000 | 31 | 1 | 106 | 138 |
| 1,000 5,000 | 26 | . O | 170 | 196 |
| 5,000 10,000 | 12 | 5 | 73 | 90 |
| 10,000 50,000 | 30 | 13 | 146 | 189 |
| 50,000 100,000 | 18 | 8 | 32 | 58 |
| 100,000 200,000 | 14 | 3 | 11 | 28 |
| 200,000 500,000 | 14 | 15 | - 8 | 37 |
| 500,000 1,000,000 | | 18 | 3 | 23 |
| 1,000,000 Over | 8 | 43 | · 1 | 52 |
| 2,000,000 | 155 | <u>106</u> | <u> 550</u> | 811 |
| Distribution of quarterly reports number of employees reported: Number of Employees | . Dy | | | |
| , From To | | | | |
| No Covered Wages | 4 | 1 | 7 | 12 |
| 1 10 | 50 | 8 | 183 | 241 |
| 11 50 | 29 | 14 | 170 | 213 |
| 51 100 | 1.Ž | 7 | 59 | 78 |
| 101 1,000 | 48 | 50 | 123 | 221 |
| 1,001 5,000 | 8 | 24 | 8 | 40 |
| 5,001 Over | 4 | 2 | 0 | 6 |
| 3,001 | 155 | 106 | 550 | 811 |
| | | | | |
| Average number of employees per r | eport 397 | 680 | 98 | 231 |
| Average employee wages reported | \$3,031 | \$2,127 | \$2,022 | \$2,394 |
| Total wages reported (millions) | \$186,5 | \$153.3 | \$108.7 | \$448,5 |
| | \$100.7 | 3177.7 | ÀTOO 1 | 944042 |

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCE SOCIAL SECURITY CONTRIBUTION TRUST FUND

JUNE 30, 1979

ASSETS

Cash Accounts Receivable (Payable) \$ 302,062 (146,756)

\$ 155,306

FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance

\$ 155,306

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE SOCIAL SECURITY CONTRIBUTION TRUST FUND

| | YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1979 |
|--|-----------------------------|
| RECEIPTS: | |
| Employee and employer contributions Employer contributions for public schools paid by the Department of Education Interest assessments collected and | \$164,355,719 |
| corrections to prior reports Total Revenues | 19,148 |
| DISBURSEMENTS: | |
| Employee and employer contributions remitted to Social Security Administration Remittances to Social Security Administration | 195,186,718 |
| for interest assessments and corrections to prior reports | 19,148 |
| Total Expenditures | 195,205,866 |
| Net Change in Fund Balance | 152,671 |
| Fund balance at beginning of year | 2,635 |
| Fund balance at end of year | \$ 155,306 |