Act, shall be subject to the provisions of the Puerto Rico Planning Board laws.

Section 5.—This Act shall take effect ninety (90) days after its approval.

Approved May 6, 1955.

(Subs. for H. B. 1285)

[No. 27]
[Approved May 6, 1955]

AN ACT

To provide a death benefit for beneficiaries or survivors of pensioners under the provisions of Act No. 23, approved July 16, 1935, and Act No. 70, approved May 3, 1931, as amended, and of the Acts repealed thereby.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Puerto Rico:

Section 1.—Upon the death of a pensioner under the provisions of Act No. 23, approved July 16, 1935, as amended, and of the Acts repealed thereby, there shall be paid to the person or persons designated by said pensioner in a written order duly authenticated and brought before the Administrator of the Employees Retirement System of the Government of Puerto Rico, or to the heirs thereof, if such designation has not been made, a death benefit in a single sum in cash, which benefit shall consist of the excess, if any, of the contributions accrued to the participant up to the date of his retirement, over and above the sum total of all pension payments made by the System; provided, that, in any event, the minimum sum payable shall not be less than two hundred (200) dollars.

Section 2.—Upon the death of any pensioner under the provisions of Act No. 70, approved May 3, 1931, as amended, who has received in annuities acquired with his contributions, as provided in section 5 of the above-mentioned Act No. 70, a sum equal or greater than the sum total used for acquiring such annuity, there shall be paid to the person or persons designated by said pensioner in a written order duly authenticated and
brought before the Administrator, or to his heirs, if no such designation has been made, a death benefit in a single sum in cash, amounting to two hundred (200) dollars.

Section 3.—To comply with the provisions of this Act during the fiscal year 1956, the sum of eight thousand two hundred (8,200) dollars is hereby appropriated from any available funds in the Treasury of Puerto Rico not otherwise appropriated. For succeeding years there shall be included in the Operating Budget Act the sum necessary for the enforcement of this Act, as annually determined and certified to the Director of the Budget by the Administrator of the Employees’ Retirement System of the Government of Puerto Rico; provided, that the said sum shall be covered into the Retirement Fund created by Act No. 447, of May 15, 1951, as amended.

Section 4.—In all cases where the provisions of this Act do not apply, the provisions of Act No. 70, of May 3, 1931, and Act No. 23, of July 16, 1935, as amended, and of the Acts thereby repealed, shall govern, inasmuch as it is not the purpose of this Act to repeal same.

Section 5.—This Act shall take effect July 1, 1955.

Approved May 6, 1955.

(H. B. 1296)

[No. 28]
[Approved May 6, 1955]

AN ACT

To amend the title and sections 1 and 2 of Act No. 200, approved May 7, 1952.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Puerto Rico:

Section 1.—The title of Act No. 200, approved May 7, 1952, is hereby amended as follows:

"An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to pay, with the approval of the Governor and chargeable to funds of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, such expenses as may be incurred in the embalming and transport of the corpse of any