sonable period, taking into account efficient useful life and other factors, as is provided therein.

(E) Such lease may be entered as part of or in connection with an agreement pursuant to section 140.03 of the Revised Code. Any hospital facilities which are the subject of an agreement entered into under section 140.03 of the Revised Code may be leased pursuant to this section.

(F) If land acquired by a public hospital agency for a hospital facility is adjacent to an existing hospital facility owned by another hospital agency, the public hospital agency may in connection with such acquisition or the leasing of such land and hospital facilities thereon to one or more hospital agencies enter into an agreement with the hospital agency which owns such adjacent hospital facility for the use of common walls in the construction, operation, or maintenance of hospital facilities of the public hospital agency. For the purpose of construction, operation, or maintenance of hospital facilities, a public hospital agency may acquire by purchase, gift, lease, lease with option to purchase, lease-purchase, or installment purchase, easement deed, or other agreement, real estate and interests in real estate, including rights to use space over, under or upon real property owned by others, and support, access, common wall, and other rights in connection therewith. Any public hospital agency or other political subdivision or any public agency, board, commission, institution, body, or instrumentality may grant such real estate, interests, or rights to any hospital agency upon such terms as are agreed upon without necessity for competitive bidding or public auction.

Sec. 145.322. (A) On and after July 1, 1968, all allowances, pensions, or other benefits, which are payable or become payable and for which eligibility is established prior to July 1, 1968, pursuant to the provisions of sections 145.33, 145.34, 145.36, 145.37, 145.45, and 145.46 of the Revised Code, shall be increased by the percentages as determined by the effective date of the allowance, pension, or benefit, as follows:

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	Effective Date of Benefi Calendar Year	it Percentage of Increase
1937 thro	ugh 1955	24.3
	1956	22.5
*	1957	18.4
	1958	15.2
	1959	14.3
	1960	12.5
	1961	11.3
	1962	10.1
	1963	<b>8.7</b>
	1964	7,3
	1965	5.6

## Effective Date of Benefiit Calendar Year

Percentage of Increase

1966 1967 2.6 2.0

January 1, 1968 through June 30, 1968

2.0

- (B) (1) All increases determined by applying the percentages in the table in division (A) of this section shall be reduced by the dollar amount of the increases granted in 1965 pursuant to divisions (D), (E), and (F) of section 145.321 of the Revised Code, except that no allowance, pension, or benefit shall be reduced below the amount due on June 30, 1968 and no allowance granted under this section shall be less than a total annual sum of thirty-six dollars.
- (2) The allowances increased by division (A) of this section shall exclude any monthly amount payable by reason of any voluntary deposits made under section 145.201 and division (C) of section 145.23 of the Revised Code.
- (3) The increases provided by this section shall be granted notwithstanding the final average salary limitation in sections 145.33 and 145.36 of the Revised Code.
- (4) The cost of the increases provided by this section shall be included in the employer's contribution rate provided by sections 145.48, 145.49, and 145.50 of the Revised Code notwithstanding section 145.482 of the Revised Code. Such employer's contribution rate shall not be increased until July 1, 1969 or later to reflect the increased costs created by this section.

Sec. 145.325. The board of the public employees retirement system shall make available to each retirant receiving a monthly allowance or benefit on or after January 1, 1968, who has attained the age of sixty-five years, and who is not eligible to receive hospital insurance benefits under the federal old age, survivors, and disability insurance program, hospital insurance coverage substantially equivalent to the federal hospital insurance benefits, Social Security Amendments of 1965, 79 Stat. 291, 42 U.S.C.A. 1395c, as amended. This coverage shall also be made available to the wife, husband, widow or widower of such retirant provided such wife, husband, widow or widower has attained age sixty-five and is not eligible to receive hospital insurance benefits under the federal old age, survivors, and disability insurance program. The widow or widower of a retirant shall be eligible for such coverage only if he or she is the recipient of a monthly allowance or benefit from this system. One half of the cost of the premium for such coverage shall be paid from the appropriate funds of the public employees retirement system and one-half by the recipient of the allowance or benefit.

The cost of such coverage, paid from the funds of the system, shall be included in the employer's rate prohibited by sections