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To E. E. Roderick, Deputy Commissioner of Education

Re: Armed service credit - Servicemen's Readjustment Act additional professional teacher-training work before returning to teaching, under the provisions of Chapter 292, P. L. 1945, which amends Chapter 37, Section 222, Sub-paragraph 3.

It is my opinion that the latter part of this law which you quote in your memo of January 14th is broad enough to permit teachers who have been honorably discharged and who find it impossible to return to teaching service within one year, to be considered as exceptions by the Retirement Board.

It is my opinion that it was the intent of the legislature to give the Retirement Board discretion in these cases, when it enacted the amendment contained in Chapter 292, P. L. 1945.

> Ralph W. Farris Attorney General

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