
DIGEST

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Abstract: Prohibits persons from rejoining the Firefighters' Retirement System (FRS) or the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System of La. (MPERS) if they opt out of membership in the system.

Present law provides that anyone who is employed by a parish, municipality, or fire protection district whose employees are also covered under the federal Social Security program may opt out of membership in MPERS or FRS as applicable.

Present law requires any member who opts out of membership in the system to file an affidavit with the retirement system.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law requires a member who wishes to rejoin the system while employed by the same parish, municipality, or fire protection district to repay his refunded employee contributions with interest. Proposed law prohibits a person who opts out of membership in FRS or MPERS from rejoining the system while he is employed by the same employer or any other employer whose employees are covered under the federal Social Security program.

Proposed law further provides that an employee who has opted out of one of the systems and returns to work for an employer whose employees are not covered under the federal Social Security program may join or rejoin the system but may not purchase service credit for the period of time that he opted out of membership.

Proposed law authorizes the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to provide FRS and MPERS with the name and social security number of each recipient of state supplemental pay.

(Amends R.S. 11:157(A) and (C); Adds R.S. 11:157(D))