

## Summary of Proposed Rule Changes

| <b>Section</b>          | <b>Description</b>   | <b>Reason</b>   |
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| <b>71-01-02-02</b>      | <b>Eligible Voters.</b> Amended language to incorporate all group insurance programs and added deferred compensation and pre-tax benefits programs. Also deleted reference to deferred vested participants being able to vote.   | <b>Administrative revision &amp; SB2109 Section 6</b>                 |
| <b>71-01-02-03(2)</b>   | <b>Candidate eligibility.</b> Removes language regarding deferred vested participants.   | <b>Authorized in SB 2109, Section 6</b>                               |
| <b>71-01-02-05</b>      | <b>Petition Format.</b> Removes reference to deferred vested retirement allowance.   | <b>Authorized in SB 2109, Section 6</b>                               |
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| <b>71-02-04-04</b>      | <b>Optional Benefits.</b> Added Judge's Normal benefit reference to the Joint and Survivor "popup" provision.  | <b>Administrative revision</b>  |
| <b>71-02-04-09.1(2)</b> | <b>Dual Membership limitations.</b> Removal of reference to an obsolete subsection.  | <b>Administrative revision</b>  |
| <b>71-02-05-07</b>      | <b>Optional benefits.</b> Removal of the \$100 benefit limitation.   | <b>Administrative revision</b>  |
| <b>71-02-05-07.1</b>    | <b>Judges retirement plan optional benefits.</b> Removal of the \$100 benefit limitation   | <b>Administrative revision</b>  |
| <b>71-02-06-10</b>      | <b>Transfer of funds.</b> Repealed section 71-02-08-03 is relocated to this section.   | <b>Administrative revision</b>  |
| <b>71-02-06-11</b>      | <b>Transfer date.</b> Repealed section 71-02-08-04 is relocated to this section.   | <b>Administrative revision</b>  |
| <b>71-02-08-01</b>      | <b>Participation.</b> Clarification of new governmental units purchasing past service credit.  | <b>Administrative revision &amp; to comply with SB2109, Section 5</b> |
| <b>71-02-08-03</b>      | <b>Transfer of Funds.</b> Relocating 71-02-08-03 to 71-02-06-10.   | <b>Administrative revision</b>  |
| <b>71-02-08-04</b>      | <b>Transfer date.</b> Relocating 71-02-08-04 to 71-02-06-11.   | <b>Administrative revision</b>  |
| <b>71-02-09-01</b>      | <b>Review procedure.</b> Clarification of review procedures is not just on application for benefits.   | <b>Administrative revision</b>  |
| <b>71-02-10-02</b>      | <b>Qualified domestic relations orders procedures.</b> Removal of language regarding establishment of an escrow account during proposed domestic relations order review and adding language detailing how NDPERS will administer an application for lump sum distribution received while proposed order is under review. | <b>Administrative revision</b>  |
| <b>71-02-11-02</b>      | <b>Award of service credit.</b> Additional language added to address the granting of service credit for benefit eligibility purposes (vesting and Rule) due to federal USERRA law.   | <b>Administrative revision reflecting federal regulation.</b>         |

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| 71-02-11-04    | <b>Payment.</b> Clarifies that for service credit to be recognized for benefit calculation purposes, required contributions must be submitted.  | <b>Administrative revision reflecting federal regulation.</b> |
| 71-03-01-02    | <b>Bid Specifications.</b> Modified bid specification language to allow for greater flexibility in bidding out group insurance programs.  | <b>To Comply with provisions of SB2110, Section 2.</b>        |
| 71-03-01-03    | <b>Bid Deadlines.</b> Repealed.   | <b>Administrative revision.</b>                               |
| 71-03-01-04    | <b>Bid letting.</b> Repealed  | <b>Administrative revision</b>                                |
| 71-03-03-01    | <b>Enrollment.</b> Adds reference to the dental, vision and prescription drug plans   | <b>To Comply with provisions of SB2110, Section 1</b>         |
| 71-03-03-05    | <b>Special enrollment for Certain Qualifying Events.</b> Adds reference to the dental, vision and prescription drug plans   | <b>To Comply with provisions of SB2110, Section 1</b>         |
| 71-03-03-06    | <b>Continuation of Hospital and Medical Coverage after termination.</b> Adds reference to the dental, vision and prescription drug plans  | <b>To Comply with provisions of SB2110, Section 1</b>         |
| 71-03-03-07    | <b>Continuation of health benefits for dependents.</b> Adds reference to the dental and vision plans dental, vision and prescription drug plans   | <b>To Comply with provisions of SB2110, Section 1</b>         |
| 71-03-03-09    | <b>Leave without Pay.</b> Adds reference to the dental, vision and prescription drug plans  | <b>To Comply with provisions of SB2110, Section 1</b>         |
| 71-03-05-04    | <b>Late premium for terminated employees.</b> Repealed outdated language.   | <b>Administrative revision</b>                                |
| 71-03-05-05    | <b>Appeal process.</b> Clarifies review procedures and changes terminology to “members” from “employees”.   | <b>Administrative revision</b>                                |
| 71-05-02-04    | <b>Optional benefits.</b> Removal of language requiring a \$100 minimum benefit and remarriage option to make plans consistent.   | <b>Administrative revision</b>                                |
| 71-05-05-04    | <b>Optional Benefits.</b> Removal of remarriage option that has never been utilized.  | <b>Administrative revision</b>                                |
| 71-05-08-02    | Removal of language regarding establishment of an escrow account during proposed domestic relations order review and adding language detailing how NDPERS will administer an application for lump sum distribution received while proposed order is under review. | <b>Administrative revision</b>                                |
| 71-06-01-03    | <b>For retirees receiving more than one benefit entitled to retiree health insurance credit.</b> Removing outdated requirement to make application to combine RHIC in certain   | <b>Administrative revision</b>                                |

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| <b>71-08-01-08</b> | <b>Transfer of Funds.</b> New section for Defined Contribution plan transfer of funds to TIAA-CREF identical to main system administration.   | <b>To comply with provisions of SB2109, Section 1</b> |
| <b>71-08-04-02</b> | <b>Qualified domestic relations orders procedures.</b> Removal of language regarding establishment of an escrow account during proposed domestic relations order review and adding language detailing how NDPERS will administer if application for lump sum is received while proposed order is under review.  | <b>Administrative revision</b>                        |
| <b>71-08-06-02</b> | <b>Award of service credit.</b> Additional language added to address the granting of credit for benefit eligibility purposes (vesting in employer contribution schedule and RHIC Rule of 85 calculations) due to federal USERRA law. Clarifies that for credit to be recognized for benefit calculation purposes, required contributions must be submitted. | <b>Administrative revision</b>                        |
| <b>71-08-06-04</b> | <b>Cost.</b> Clarifies that for credit to be recognized for benefit calculation purposes (RHIC Rule of 85), required contributions must be submitted.   | <b>Administrative revision</b>                        |