

Briefly

Employer Newsletter

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TFFR Employer Reporting Changes Effective July 1, 2012

As a result of legislation passed in 2011, TFFR employers will need to implement several employer reporting changes prior to July 1, 2012. Look for additional details on the following changes to be emailed in November.

1. Member and Employer Contribution Increases
2. Payment of Member Contributions of Re-employed Retirees
3. Taxation Change of Member Contributions under Model 2 Partial and Model 3 Partial
4. New [Employer Payment Plan Form](#) Required

TFFR has provided the required changes to our software vendors. Please contact your vendor for assistance if needed. TFFR will also be at the ND School Board Association Conference on October 28, 2011. Please stop by our booth if you have any questions.

Employers Using Internet Reporting

If you are using TFFR Employer Online to submit your monthly reports, it is not necessary to send TFFR a paper copy of your monthly report. All the information needed to process the report will be on the uploaded file. If a change to the uploaded information is necessary, please include documentation explaining the change with your check, or email the information to Tami at tdvolkert@nd.gov.



E-mail Addresses

Since the Briefly and other important correspondence are being sent electronically, TFFR requires current employer contact information and valid e-mail addresses for the Superintendent/Administrator and Business Manager of each employer. If you have any changes to this information, please e-mail them to Darlene at daroppel@nd.gov or fill out the [Notification of School District Changes form](#) and send it to us.

Athletic Supervision Pay

TFFR defines retirement salary as eligible earnings for teaching, **supervisory**, administrative, or extracurricular activities. TFFR statute also **excludes** earnings for referee and other game official duties. (See definition of referee below). It has come to our attention that some employers have combined into one payroll code the duties of game officials and athletic supervisors. These employers have then either reported all the duties or none of the duties to TFFR. Please take a look at your payroll set up and make sure to report earnings for athletic supervision and **do not** report earnings for any duty that falls under the definition of referee.

Referee

*All game and desk officials including referees, umpires, line judges, score keepers, time keepers, ticket takers, ushers, tournament managers, and other judges or officials. These duties **are not** reportable to TFFR. Payments to judges or officials for other non-sporting events such as music, drama, and speech are also excluded from retirement salary.*

Vested Interest Newsletter

Please view the recently published October 2011 [Your Vested Interest newsletter](#) for an investment performance update.

The Floods of 2011

The Board and employees of TFFR want to extend our thoughts and well wishes to all the communities affected by the flooding that has occurred in North Dakota. A special **thank you** to all those that completed their TFFR monthly reports in a timely manner during such a chaotic time. Please know that we continue to think of you!

**SEE YOU AT THE SBA
CONFERENCE!!**