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TO: All Municipalities
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FROM: Kathy Bourque, Director

RE: Act 479 of the 2012 Legislative Session
(La.R.S.11:293)

In accordance with Act 479 of the 2012 Legislative Session (La.R.S.11:293), all employees hired or rehired on or after January 1, 2013 must sign the Forfeiture of Benefits Attestation form at the time of enrollment in MPERS certifying that he or she has knowledge of this new law.

La.R.S.11:294 provides for the forfeiture of retirement benefits by a public employee or elected official (hired or rehired on or after January 1, 2013) convicted of a "public corruption crime."

La.R.S.11:293(E) states that "each public retirement system shall provide such attestation form to each employing agency. Each employing agency shall provide every public servant with such attestation form and such public servant shall be required to sign the form indicating that he has read it and understands the contents thereof."

The statute can be read in its entirety on the Louisiana Legislature website at www.legis.state.la.us/lss/lss.asp?doc=814585.

The Forfeiture of Benefits Attestation form is not to be returned to MPERS, the employer must keep it on file for each employee hired on or after January 1, 2013.

Enclosed are a few copies of The Forfeiture of Benefits Attestation form and the form may also be downloaded from our website www.lampers.org.

PLEASE INCLUDE MEMBER'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER WITH ALL CORRESPONDENCE

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FORFEITURE OF BENEFITS ATTESTATION

Please type or print in ink all entries except signatures

(For Employer Use Only – Do Not Return to MPERS)

In accordance with Act 479 of the 2012 Legislative Session (La. R.S. 11:293), all employees hired or rehired on or after January 1, 2013 must sign this form at time of enrollment certifying he or she has knowledge of this law.

SECTION 1 - MEMBER INFORMATION

Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial	Suffix (Jr., III, etc.)	Social Security Number

SECTION 2 - PROVISIONS OF FORFEITURE LAW

1. As a public servant employed or reemployed on or after January 1, 2013, I understand the provisions of Louisiana Revised Statute (La. R.S. 11:293) applies to me.
2. If convicted or if I enter a plea of "guilty" or "no contest" of a public corruption crime meaning a state or federal felony committed on or after January 1, 2013, I understand the judge may order forfeiture of retirement benefits to the extent allowable by the law.
3. If the judge applies the provisions of La. R.S. 11:293, then the public employee's service credit attributable to employer contributions and interest including any funds in the deferred retirement option plan (DROP) account shall be forfeited to the retirement system and shall not be used to calculate a benefit for the convicted member.
4. The statute contains many terms and conditions and can be read in its entirety on the Louisiana Legislature website at www.legis.state.la.us/lss/lss.asp?doc=814585.

SECTION 3 - MEMBER CERTIFICATION

I certify I have read the provisions of the forfeiture law as outlined in Section 2 of this form.

Signature of Member (Do not print or type)

Date Signed (MM/DD/YYYY)

SECTION 4 - EMPLOYER WITNESS

Signature of Witness (Do not print or type)

Date Signed (MM/DD/YYYY)

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