

Upcoming Events Continued..

- August thru December 2011** ● Introduction to the APERS Employer Portal. - *Member Records Section*

(Subject to change)

- December 2011** ● For those non-contributory members electing to be contributory as of January 1, 2012, completed Election forms are due to APERS by December 31, 2012. *Act 140 of 2011 – Member Records Section*

- January 2012** ● Employers will begin to pay employer matching to APERS for members that are participating in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) as well as retirees that have returned to a position covered by APERS. This will be effective with the first pay period to be reported for the month of January 2012. *Act 558 of 2011 – Reporting Unit*

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UPCOMING MEMBER FILING DATES

RETIREMENT FILING DATES

Retirement Date	Earliest Filing Date	Latest Filing Date
August 2011	May 3	July 5*
September 2011	June 3	August 2
October 2011	July 5*	September 1
November 2011	August 3	October 3*
December 2011	September 2	November 1
January 2012	October 3*	December 2

\* For retirement applications only - if a Filing Date falls during a weekend or on a holiday, the filing deadline becomes the next working day.

DROP FILING DATES

DROP Enroll Date	Earliest Filing Date	Latest Filing Date
August 2011	April 29	June 30
September 2011	May 31	July 29
October 2011	June 30	August 31
November 2011	July 29	September 30
December 2011	August 31	October 31
January 2012	September 30	November 30

\* The Filing Deadline for DROP applications is always the last working day of the 2nd month before enrollment, **not the last calendar day of the month!**

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Important Upcoming APERS Events!

**A REMINDER FROM APERS**

June 13, 2011

Dear Participating Employers,


As part of APERS on-going responsibilities to all participating employers, we want to keep you informed of all changes (i.e. administrative, legislative) that are forthcoming.

As we end one fiscal year and begin another, APERS Staff wants to highlight upcoming events that participating employers should be aware of and that are important in the upcoming fiscal year.

The list is by month and highlights items that are mandated by legislation along with the responsible Section/Unit to telephone if you have any questions.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely



Gail H. Stone

Executive Director

June 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notices mailed to all non-contributory members regarding opportunity to elect to be contributory. <b>Act 140 of 2011 – Member Records Section</b></li> <li>• New remittance forms for Fiscal Year 2012 will be mailed in late June for the July remittances and July report that is due to APERS by August 10, 2011.- <b>Reporting Unit</b></li> </ul>
July 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information will be mailed to employers about the process for their non-contributory members of APERS who elect to be contributory. Employees/employers must properly submit necessary paperwork no later than December 31, 2011 for an effective date of the first payroll period that is reported for January 2012. <b>Act 140 of 2011 – Member Records Section</b></li> <li>• The employer contribution rate changes to 13.47% (for most employers) for the first pay period reported for the month of July 2011. See APERS website.</li> <li>• Officials elected or appointed to an elected position on or after July 1, 2011, and their employers must contribute an additional 5% to APERS for the additional service credit that the member will receive. The employer and employee must contribute an additional 2.5% respectively.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ For these newly elected or appointed officials the employer contribution rate will 15.97%; and, the employee contribution rate for contributory members will be 7.5% and for non-contributory members 2.5%. <b>Act 563 of 2011 – Reporting Unit</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
August 2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surveys will be mailed to all APERS participating employers requesting information on their current membership that is not being reported to the System. <b>Act 558 of 2011 – Internal Auditor</b></li> <li>• Revised forms for enrolling members will be mailed to employers. – <b>Member Records Section</b></li> </ul>