

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS26738

This clarifies an ambiguity regarding individuals that have received a disability retirement in the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho (PERSI) for medical or other reasons. PERSI is currently applying the statute in a way that prohibits individuals who are deemed "disabled" under PERSI from volunteering or working for nominal compensation. Being able to volunteer or perform nominal work is beneficial to the community and these individuals, especially for those that may have a terminal illness. This amount of allowable compensation mirrors similar provisions from other states. This also provides that the PERSI Fund will be protected, as any amount earned from the nominal employment is deducted from the benefit paid to the individual by PERSI.

FISCAL NOTE

This is not anticipated to have a significant fiscal impact. Any nominal compensation received from employment is deducted from the benefit paid under PERSI. It is not anticipated to have an impact on participation in PERSI disability retirement. There is the potential for minor increases and decreases in participation, but those net impacts cannot be estimated at this time.

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