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**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE ADOPTION
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

Public Employees' Retirement System
c/o Denise Mounger
429 Mississippi Street
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

**Specific Legal Authority authorizing the promulgation of
Rule:** MCA Section 25-11-15(6)

**Reference to Rules repealed, amended or suspended by the
Proposed Rule:** Regulation 45A

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Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and the reason(s) for proposing the rule:

The proposed amendments to Regulation 45A provide or clarify the following:

- Clarify the different vesting periods required to be eligible for regular (non-duty related) disability benefits;
- Provide for an extension of the 90 day period for providing additional medical information;
- Clarify how long a member must submit federal income tax information;
- Clarify a disability retiree's status for reemployment purposes after the member reaches age 60 or the end of the temporary allowance period;
- Clarify an eligible former disability recipient's ability to apply for service retirement benefits and his or her ability to select a new option upon service retirement;
- Clarify the applicant's responsibility to provide objective medical evidence upon which a determination of disability must be based; and
- Clarify the term "objective medical evidence."

This rule is proposed as a Final Rule, and/or a Temporary Rule

Persons may present their views on the proposed rule by addressing written comments to the agency at the above address. Persons making comments should include their name and address, as well as other contact information, an if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties you represent.

Oral Proceeding: Check one box below:

- An oral proceeding is scheduled on this rule on Date: _____ Time: _____ Place: _____
- If you wish to be heard and present evidence at the oral proceeding you must make a written request To the agency at the above address at least ____day(s) prior to the proceeding to be placed on the Agenda. The request should include your name, address, telephone number as well as other contact Information; and if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties your represent.
- An oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule. Where an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding will be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and if you are an agent of attorney, the name, address and telephone number of the party or parties you represent.

Economic Impact Statement: Check one box below:

- The agency has determined that an economic impact statement is not required for this rule, or
- The concise summary of the economic impact statement required is attached.

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

Date Rule Proposed: ~~April 27, 2010~~ ^{May 11, 2010} Proposed Effective Date of Rule: August 1, 2010

Denise Owens-Mounger - Deputy Director
Signature and Title of Person Submitting Rule for Filing