AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0101

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

Is it necessary to have both (2) and (3)? It seems you could combine them and simply say in (2) that "The mailing address <u>and physical address</u> is...."

If you decide to keep them separate, I would note that in the equivalent rule in 02B, you omitted "the Longleaf Building" in (3).

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	.0101 is amended as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1851, as follows:
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3		SECTION .0100 - GENERAL PROVISIONS
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5	20 NCAC 02C	.0101 GENERAL INFORMATION
6	General inform	ation about the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System includes the following:
7	(1)	The <u>Director ehief officer</u> is the Director of the Retirement <u>Systems; Systems Division;</u>
8	(2)	The mailing address is 3200 Atlantic Avenue, Raleigh, North Carolina 27604;
9	(3)	The office is located in the Longleaf Building, 3200 Atlantic Avenue, Raleigh, North Carolina.
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11	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-28(g);
12		Eff. February 1, 1976;
13		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977;
14		Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. October 21
15		2018;
16		Amended Eff. September 1, 2019. 2019:
17		Amended Eff. January 1, 2023.
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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

In (a), line 7, please change "will" to "shall".

In (b) and both instances in (c), include an Oxford comma after "rates".

In (b), what does it mean for the "file" to be "open" as well as "readily available" for the public?

In (b), what are "regular office hours"?

In the new paragraph (c), when deleting the lettering of a paragraph, strikethrough the entire parenthetical and insert the new one. It should look like: (c)(d)

In the History Note, I suggest a citation to G.S. 150B-1(d)(30).

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C .0201 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1851, as follows:		
2			
3	SECTION .0200 - ADMINISTRATION		
4			
5 6	20 NCAC 02C .0201 ACTUARIAL TABLES: RATES AND ASSUMPTIONS		
7	(a) Actuarial tables and assumptions will be adopted by the boardBoard of trusteesTrustees after the presentation o		
8	the recommendations of the actuary by including the tables, rates, etc. in the minutes of the board with the resolution		
9	adopting said tables, rates or assumptions. As provided by G.S. 150B-1(d), these actions of the Board of Trustees are		
10	not subject to rule-making requirements.		
11	(b) The director Director of the retirement systems-shall maintain a file of copies of all resolutions adopting tables		
12	rates or assumptions and the current version of all tables as amended by the boardBoard of trustees. Trustees. The file		
13	shall be open and readily available to the public during regular office hours.		
14	(c) This Rule includes but is not limited to the following actuarial tables and assumptions:		
15	(1) interest rate assumptions;		
16	(2) salary increase assumptions;		
17	(3) required contribution rates;		
18	(4) mortality assumptions;		
19	(5) separation and retirement assumptions;		
20	(6) joint and survivor tables;		
21	(7) reserve transfer tables.		
22	(cd) Tables, rates and assumptions shall become effective on the first day of the month following adoption, unless a		
23	specific effective date is included in the adopting resolution. If the specific date is included, the tables, rates o		
24	assumptions shall be effective as provided in the adopting resolution.		
25 26	History Note: Authority G.S. 128-27(m); 128-28(g);		
27	Eff. February 1, 1976;		
28	Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977;		
29	Amended Eff. August 1, 1981.<u>1981;</u>		
30	Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.		
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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0204

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

What is the "local system" in line 4?

Can you explain how LGERS is "authorized by G.S. 128-28(g)" to adopt law that isn't applicable to it? Moreover, if you are indeed authorized to do this, I don't think you need to say it here. Just citing to G.S. 128-28(g) in the History Note would be sufficient.

Is this Rule necessary in light of Rule .0303?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	.0204 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR page 1852, as follows:
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3	20 NCAC 02C	.0204 FACILITY OF PAYMENT
4	The provisions	of G.S. 135-17, Facility of Payment, are adopted as applicable policy under the local system, as
5	authorized by G	G.S. 128-28(g).
6		
7	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-28(g);
8		Eff. February 1, 1976;
9		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. <u>1977:</u>
10		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.
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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0205

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

On line 5, add a comma after "(l)", and on line 7 add a comma following "physicians".

With respect to the quorum requirement, is this consistent with the Public Meetings Act?

On line 7, delete "being" following "three".

On lines 7-8, is the quorum applicable only to meetings approving applications for disability retirement? Is there a different quorum for other meetings of the Medical Board?

In History Note, reinsert "1977" from the line "Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977" followed by a semi-colon. It should appear as: "...September 21, 1977."

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	.0205 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1852, as follows:
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4	20 NCAC 02C	.0205 MEDICAL BOARD
5	In accordance	with the authority contained in G.S. 128-28(I) membership of the Medical Board consists of The
6	Director of the	Retirement Systems and the chairman of the board of trustees are authorized to increase the
7	membership of	the medical board from three to five physicians with a quorum of three being required at meetings
8	approving appli	cations for disability retirement.
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10	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-28(1);
11		Eff. February 1, 1976;
12		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. <u>1977;</u>
13		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.

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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0301

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

For clarity, consider making "beneficiaries" and "living persons" singular.

In line 9, what is the "form"? Are the contents or substantive requirements of the form prescribed by rule or statute?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C .0301 i	is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR page, 1852, as follows:
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3		SECTION .0300 - BENEFICIARIES
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6	20 NCAC 02C .0301	DESIGNATION
7	Any beneficiaries desi	ignated, other than the estate of the member or a trustee named by and acting for the member
8	must be living persons at the time the designation is made. If it is desired that the estate be beneficiary, this should be	
9	indicated on the form.	
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11	History Note: Auth	nority G.S. 128-27; 128-28(g);
12	Eff.	February 1, 1976;
13	Rea	dopted Eff. September 21, 1977.<u>1</u>977;
14	<u>Rea</u>	dopted Eff. January 1, 2023.
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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0302

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

Is this Rule necessary? It essentially repeats the content of the statutes cited in the History Note.

In (a), the wording of the added language in the second sentence is confusing. To avoid any confusion, would it be better to replace "so designated for the return of accumulated contributions" with "principal beneficiary"?

In (a), line 6, it's unclear to me to whom "those surviving" refers.

In (b) and (c), remove parentheticals and use appropriate identifiers. For example, say "beneficiary or beneficiaries" or simply "beneficiaries" if appropriate.

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C .03	302 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1852, as follows:
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4	20 NCAC 02C .03	PRINCIPAL BENEFICIARY
5	(a) More than one	e principal beneficiary may be named designated for the return of accumulated contributions under
6	the provisions of C	G.S. 128-27(f) to share equally. In the event of the death of any so named designated for the return
7	of accumulated co	entributions, those surviving shall share equally in the total benefits. However, if there is only one
8	living designated	principal beneficiary for the return of accumulated contributions at the member's death and the
9	member has met a	Il other requirements under the provisions of G.S. 128-27(m), the designated principal beneficiary
10	may elect to receive the alternative benefit under the provisions of G.S. 128-27(m).	
11	(b) More than one principal beneficiary may be designated for the death benefit of an active member or a retire	
12	member under the provisions of G.S. 128-27(l), 128-27(l1), or 128-27(l6) to share equally. In the event of the dea	
13	of any so designa	ted principal beneficiary(ies) for the death benefit of an active member or retired member, those
14	surviving principa	l beneficiary(ies) shall share equally in the total benefits.
15	(c) More than on	e principal beneficiary may be designated for the guaranteed refund under the provisions of G.S
16	128-27(g1) to share equally. In the event of the death of any so designated principal beneficiary(ies) for the guarantee	
17	refund, those surviving principal beneficiary(ies) shall share equally in the total benefits. A principal beneficiary ma	
18	be named with the stipulation that should he predecease the member, payment of the amount due, if any, will be made	
19	to a designated contingent beneficiary. It is permissible to name more than one contingent beneficiary. In the ever	
20	of the death of any so named, those surviving shall share equally in the total benefits. If more than one princip	
21	beneficiary is nam	red, the naming of a contingent beneficiary or beneficiaries will not be permitted.
22 23	History Note:	Authority G.S. <u>128-27(f); 128-27(g); 128-27(g1); 128-27(l); 128-27(l1); 128-27(l6);</u> 128-28(g);
24	-	Eff. February 1, 1976;
25		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977.<u></u>1977;
26	-	Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.

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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

Is this Rule necessary in light of R. 0204?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C .0303 is readopted <u>with changes,</u> as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1852, as follows:	
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4	20 NCAC 02C .0303 NO LIVING BENEFICIARY	
5	f no named-designated beneficiary, whether principal or contingent, is living at the time of the member's de	ath,
6	payment of the amount due, if any, will be made to the estate-legal representative of the member.	
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8	History Note: Authority G.S. 128-27(g); 128-28(g);	
9	Eff. February 1, 1976;	
10	Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. <u>1977;</u>	
11	Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.	

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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

In (a), line 4, please define or delete "duly".

In (a), line 5, please change "they" to "the beneficiary" or "the guardian" to clarify which county you're referring to. As written, it's not clear whether you mean the county the minor lives in, or the county the guardian lives in. See also (b) line 6.

In (a), line 5, what is meant by "may be authorized by law"?

In (b), line 7, remove the parentheticals around "payment" and "beneficiary".

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C .0304 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1852, as follows:
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3	20 NCAC 02C .0304 PAYMENTS TO BENEFICIARIES
4	(a) Payments to beneficiaries who are minors will be made to a duly appointed guardian or to the clerk of the
5	superior court in the county which they reside to the extent that such payment may be authorized by law.
6	(b) In the event that the duly appointed guardian or the clerk of superior court in the county in which they reside
7	is unwilling or unable to accept payment(s) on behalf of the minor beneficiary(ies), payment may be made
8	to a custodian in accordance with Chapter 33A of the North Carolina General Statutes, entitled North Carolina
9	Uniform Transfers to Minors Act.
10 11	History Note: Authority G.S. 128-27(g); 128-28(g);
12	Eff. February 1, 1976;
13	Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. 1977;
14	Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.
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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

At the end of Item (1), line 10, delete "or".

In (2), please move the text on line 12 over 1 tab so it lines up with the text on line 11.

In (2), lines 11-12, I don't understand the phrase "until such time as the retired member's last day of active service is greater than 180 days prior to the change". Does this just mean the member has to wait at least 180 days from the last day of active service to make a change? Please revise for clarity.

Change "must" to "shall" in line 14.

Also on line 14, please use the active voice and state who must submit the change.

Additionally, how shall members submit such a change in beneficiary to the Board of Trustees?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

I	20 NCAC 02C	.0306 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1852, as follows:
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4	20 NCAC 02C	.0306 BENEFICIARY CHANGE
5	Prior to retirem	ent, the member may, has the right at any time, and from time to time, to change any beneficiaries
6	designated for t	he return of accumulated contributions under the provisions of G.S. 128-27(f) or the death benefit for
7	active members	s under the provisions of G.S. 128-27(1) or 128-27(11) without the knowledge or consent of the
8	beneficiaries. A	retired member may, at any time, change any beneficiaries designated for:
9	<u>(1)</u>	The guaranteed refund under the provisions of G.S. 128-27(g1) until such time as the funds have
10		been depleted; or
11	(2)	The death benefit for active members under the provisions of G.S. 128-27(1) or 128-27(11) until such
12	time as	s the retired member's last day of active service is greater than 180 days prior to the change; or
13	<u>(3)</u>	The death benefit for retired members under the provisions of G.S. 128-27(16).
14	Any such chang	ge must be submitted to the boardBoard of trustees, Trustees, using the appropriate form.
15	II. A N	A d. v. C.C. 130 377 \ 130 377 1\ 130 3770 \ 130 3771\ 130 3770 \ 130 3770 \
16	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-27(g); <u>128-27(g1)</u> ; <u>128-27(l1)</u> ; <u>128-27(l1)</u> ; <u>128-27(l6)</u> ; <u>1</u> 28-28(g);
17		Eff. February 1, 1976;
18		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977.<u>1977;</u>
19		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.
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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

Paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) should be framed to lead and follow into the subparagraphs, such as "the following apply to designating a contingent beneficiary..."

Remove all parentheticals and use appropriate identifiers. Each subparagraph has at least one. For example, say "beneficiary or beneficiaries" or simply "beneficiaries" if appropriate.

At the end of each subparagraph (2), consider adding language to clarify contingent beneficiaries only receive in the event all principal beneficiaries predecease the member, similar to (3).

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C .0	307 is adopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1853, as follows:
2		
3	20 NCAC 02C.	0307 CONTINGENT BENEFICIARY
4		
5	(a) <u>Designating</u>	a contingent beneficiary for the return of accumulated contributions under the provisions of G.S
6	128-27(f):	
7	<u>(1)</u>	A principal beneficiary may be designated for the return of accumulated contributions with the
8		stipulation that should the principal beneficiary(ies) predecease the member, payment of the amoun
9		due, if any, shall be made to the designated contingent beneficiary(ies) for the return of accumulated
10		contributions.
11	<u>(2)</u>	If more than one principal beneficiary is designated for the return of accumulated contributions
12		payment of the amount due, if any, shall be paid to any surviving principal beneficiary(ies
13		designated for the return of accumulated contributions, sharing equally in the total benefits payable
14		and shall not be paid to any contingent beneficiary.
15	<u>(3)</u>	It is permissible to designate more than one contingent beneficiary for the return of accumulated
16		contributions. Payment of the amount due, if any, shall be paid to the surviving contingen
17		beneficiary(ies) designated for the return of accumulated contributions, sharing equally in the tota
18		benefits, only in the event that there is no surviving principal beneficiary designated for the return
19		of accumulated contributions.
20	(b) Designating	a contingent beneficiary for the death benefit under the provisions of G.S. 128-27(1), 128-27(11), or
21	<u>128-27(16):</u>	
22	<u>(1)</u>	A principal beneficiary may be designated for the death benefit of an active member or retired
23		member with the stipulation that should the principal beneficiary(ies) predecease the member
24		payment of the amount due, if any, shall be made to the designated contingent beneficiary(ies) for
25		the death benefit.
26	<u>(2)</u>	If more than one principal beneficiary is designated for the death benefit, payment of the amoun
27		due, if any, shall be paid to any surviving principal beneficiary(ies) designated for the death benefit
28		sharing equally in the total benefits payable, and shall not be paid to any contingent beneficiary.
29	<u>(3)</u>	It is permissible to designate more than one contingent beneficiary for the death benefit. Paymen
30		of the amount due, if any, shall be paid to the surviving contingent beneficiary(ies) designated for
31		the death benefit, sharing equally in the total benefits, only in the event that there is no surviving
32		principal beneficiary designated for the death benefit.
33	(c) <u>Designating</u>	a contingent beneficiary for the guaranteed refund under the provisions of G.S. 128-27(g1):
34	<u>(1)</u>	A principal beneficiary may be designated for the guaranteed refund with the stipulation that should
35		the principal beneficiary(ies) predecease the member, payment of the amount due, if any, shall be
36		made to the designated contingent beneficiary(ies) for the guaranteed refund.

1	<u>(2)</u>	If more than one principal beneficiary is designated for the guaranteed refund, payment of the
2		amount due, if any, shall be paid to any surviving principal beneficiary(ies) designated for the
3		guaranteed refund, sharing equally in the total benefits payable, and shall not be paid to any
4		contingent beneficiary.
5	<u>(3)</u>	It is permissible to designate more than one contingent beneficiary for the guaranteed refund.
6		Payment of the amount due, if any, shall be paid to the surviving contingent beneficiary(ies)
7		designated for the guaranteed refund, sharing equally in the total benefits, only in the event that
8		there is no surviving principal beneficiary designated for the guaranteed refund.
9		
10	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-27(f); 128-27(g1); 128-27(l); 128-27(l1); 128-27(l6); 128-28(g);
11		Eff. January 1, 2023.
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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

On line 5, what is a "unit"?

On line 5, please change "should" to "shall".

In History Note, statutes should be listed sequentially from lowest to highest. Swap G.S. 128-28(g) and 128-30(g)(1).

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	0402 is readopted with changes as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1853, as follows:
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3		
4	20 NCAC 02C	.0402 EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTIONS
5	All units should	$forward\ to\ the\ \underline{retirement}\underline{Retirement}\ \underline{system}\underline{System}\ the\ employer's\ contributions\ monthly\ at\ the\ same and the same$
6	time the employ	ree's contributions are forwarded.
7		
8	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-30(g)(1); 128-28(g);
9		Eff. February 1, 1976;
10		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. 1977:
11		Readoption Eff. January 1, 2023.

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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

In (a), line 5, I believe "pension accumulation fund" must be capitalized, as it is in the statute.

In (a), line 6, what are "erroneous employee deductions"?

In (a), line 6, is an "employing unit" defined? Is this different than "the employer"?

In (b), remove the parentheses around the phrase "and... contributions" and consider inserting commas.

In (c), line 14, remove the comma to avoid an unnecessary clause.

In (c), line 15, delete the last set of parentheses around "(b.)".

In your History Note, please place the statutes in numerical order.

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1 20 NCAC 02C .0403 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1853, as follows: 2 3 20 NCAC 02C .0403 **REFUNDS** 4 (a) The retirement Retirement system will make no refunds of employer contributions contributions, paid into 5 the pension accumulation fund by the employer in the amount equal to a percentage of the actual compensation of 6 each member, in cases of erroneous employee deductions except those which are corrected by the employing unit on 7 a subsequent payroll within the calendar year in which the errors occur. The only exception to this Rule is that an 8 error occurring in December may be corrected (without loss of the employer contribution) by submission of a revised 9 payroll with checks for the correct amount before January 31, of the following year. 10 (b) Notwithstanding Paragraph (a) of this Rule, an error occurring in December may be corrected (and the associated 11 employer contribution be refunded in the form of a credit toward future required employer contributions) by the 12 employer's submission of a revised payroll report for the correct amount before January 31 of the following year. 13 (c) If an employer makes an additional contribution to the pension accumulation fund as a result of the contribution-14 based benefit cap, and the Retirement System receives information which alters the calculation of the retirement 15 benefit used to determine the contribution under the provisions of G.S. 128-30(g)(2)(b.), any contribution not required based on the new information will be refunded to the employer in the form of a credit toward future required employer 16 17 contributions. 18 Authority G.S. 128-22; 128-30(g); 128-28(g); 19 History Note: 20 *Eff. February 1, 1976;* 21 Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977.1977; Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023. 22

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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0404

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

The rule states "Raleigh offices" (emphasis added). Are there multiple offices which the contributions need to be sent to?

Alternatively, are you referring to the address specified in Rule .0101?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C .0404 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1854, as follows:		
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4	20 NCAC 02C .0404 DUE DATE OF CONTRIBUTIONS		
5	Both the employee and employer contributions are due in the Raleigh offices of the Retirement System no later than		
6	the fifth State government working day of the month succeeding the month for which the contributions are required		
7	Contributions received after the fifth State government working day of the month are delinquent.		
8 9	History Note: Authority G.S. 128-28(g); 128-30(g);		
10	Eff. March 1, 1992.<u>1</u>992;		
11	Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.		
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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0501

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

Where is your statutory authority for this Rule? G.S. 128-27(c) and (e) give the Medical Board the power to examine and re-examine disability beneficiaries, but I don't see anything giving that power to the Director.

What is the standard for whether a case is "doubtful"? To whom?

On lines 7-8, what does "condition of the disability" mean?

On line 7, what are the parameters of such "examination" by the Director? What details can be gathered and by what means?

Where is your statutory authority to allow payment for these examinations through the pension accumulation fund?

On line 8, I believe "pension accumulation fund" should be capitalized.

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C .0501 is readopted <u>with changes</u> as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1854, as follows:
2	
3	SECTION .0500 - DISABILITY RETIREMENT
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6	20 NCAC 02C .0501 DISABILITY EXAMINATION
7	The <u>director Director</u> is authorized to conduct <u>an examinations examination</u> in doubtful cases of disability to determine
8	the condition of the disability, paying the expense of the same from the pension accumulation fund.
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10	History Note: Authority G.S. 128-27(c); 128-28(g);
11	Eff. February 1, 1976;
12	Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. 1977;
13	Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.

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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0502

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

Remove the comma after "engaged in" on line 6.

Capitalize "state" in line 7.

Also, remove the semi-colon in line 7.

For clarity, remove the portion "relate back so as to".

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	.0502 is readopted with changes as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1854, as follows:		
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4	20 NCAC 02C	.0502 DISABILITY RETIREMENT REPORTS		
5	When the medical Medical board, Board, subsequent to a disability retirement, reports that the retired member is			
6	engaged in, or is able to engage in, a gainful occupation, any adjustment required by G.S. 128-27(e)(1) will be made			
7	prospectively only; and will not relate back so as to require any refund to the state of payments made during the period			
8	before a report is made indicating changed status.			
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10	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-27(e)(1); 128-28(g);		
11		Eff. February 1, 1976;		
12		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. <u>1977;</u>		
13		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.		

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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0504

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

Where is the authority to disallow interest on the current year? G.S. 128-29(b) permits the Board to set interest rates annually and different interest rates from time to time, while G.S. 128-28(g) covers the administration of funds. Moreover, G.S. 128-30(b)(2) suggests that "regular interest" shall be paid on all accounts.

In the event a member on disability retirement is reinstated in the middle of the year, does interest accrue during the period for which the member was not on active service?

In the History Note, citations to the General Statutes should be sequential. Swap G.S. 128-28(g) and 128-29(b).

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	.0504 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1854, as follows:		
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3	20 NCAC 02C	.0504 REINSTATEMENT TO ACTIVE SERVICE		
4	When members on disability retirement are reinstated to active service, no interest shall be allowed on their accounts			
5	during the year of reinstatement.			
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7	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-29(b); 128-28(g);		
8		Eff. February 1, 1976;		
9		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. <u>1977;</u>		
10		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.		
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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0704

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

Throughout this Rule, what are the "requirements of law and the rules of the Board" or similar language meant to impose? Please be specific about what law and what rules you are enforcing here.

How is the regulated public meant to know the rules established prior to July 1, 1983? Are these rules published anywhere? If so incorporate by reference pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.6.

Why is (a) necessary? It seems to be stating the obvious, that those seeking to purchase creditable service have to comply with the law and these Rules.

In (a), lines 5-6, please delete the commas around the clause "who request... rules of the Board".

In (b), line 9, I do not think you need "Section". The reference to .1500 is sufficient.

Based on the language "in a manner prescribed by law", is (c) reiterating already existing law? Is this stating said law verbatim or adding any new requirements?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C .0704 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1854, as follows:			
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4	20 NCAC 02C.	0704 WORKERS' COMPENSATION LEAVES OF ABSENCE		
5	(a) All members, who request approval to purchase creditable service and who fulfill all of the requirements of law			
6	and the rules of the board, Board, shall be allowed to purchase the service in accordance with the law and rules of the			
7	board.Board.			
8	(b) Purchases of creditable service for leaves of absence prior to July 1, 1983 shall be made in the same manner as			
9	prescribed in Section 20 NCAC 2C .15001500, as then effective. DELAYED PURCHASE OF SERVICE CREDITS			
10	A fee in the amount of twenty five dollars (\$25.00) for each payment will be assessed members at the time of purchase			
11	as provided by law.			
12	(c) Purchases of creditable service for leaves of absence on and after July 1, 1983 shall be paid in the manner			
13	prescribed in law equal to the sum of the total employer and employee percentage rates of contribution in effect at the			
14	time of purchase	e multiplied by the annual rate of compensation of the member immediately prior to the leave of		
15	absence applied to the period of the leave commencing on the first day and ending on the last day before return to			
16	service.			
17	(d) Members w	ho had leaves of absence which otherwise met all requirements of law for purchase as creditable		
18	service except th	at the leaves of absence interrupted membership in the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement		
19	System or the Law Enforcement Officers' Retirement System and whose membership service before and after the			
20	leaves of absence has become membership service in the Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System, may			
21	purchase creditable service as in Paragraph (b) of this Rule.			
22	(e) Members may purchase creditable service for leaves of absence only when they have membership service credit			
23	immediately price	or to and immediately after the leaves of absence and such membership service is creditable service		
24	at the time of purchase.			
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26	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-26(1); 128-28(g);		
27		Eff. December 1, 1983;		
28		Amended Eff. August 1, 1988. 1988;		

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AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0901

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

This rule seems to be in contradiction to G.S. 128-26 which state that the employer "may" allow credit and places conditions on the purchase of credit.

One line 7, change "will" to "shall".

Insert an Oxford comma after "membership" in line 8.

Are there statutes or rules covering the procedures for paying back the amount withdrawn, restoring membership, and receipt of credit?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	.0901 is readopted with changes as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1854, as follows:
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3		SECTION .0900 - MILITARY SERVICE (INCHOATE RIGHTS ONLY)
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6	20 NCAC 02C	.0901 LEAVE
7	When a memb	er on military leave has withdrawn all of the member's his-contributions, the member he-will be
8	permitted to pa	y back the amount withdrawn, restore his membership and receive credit for the period of his military
9	leave.	
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11	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-27(f); 128-28(g);
12		Eff. February 1, 1976;
13		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. <u>1977;</u>
14		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.

AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0904

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

In (1), line 5 and (2) line 7, what is meant by "when the member first entered membership"? First year?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	.0904 is amended as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1854, as follows:
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3	20 NCAC 02C	.0904 COMPUTATION OF COST
4	The cost of pure	chasing credit for military service is calculated as follows:
5	(1)	the monthly compensation the member earned when the member he-first entered membership
6		multiplied bytimes
7	(2)	the contribution rate at the time the member he-first entered membership; multiplied bytimes
8	(3)	the number of months of military service for which credit is to be purchased; plus
9	(4)	a factor equivalent to interest at the rate of six and one-half percent, compounded annually, from the
10		initial year of membership to the year of payment.
11 12	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-26(a); 128-28(g);
13		Eff. February 1, 1976;
14		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. 1977;
15		Amended Eff. January 1, 2023.

AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0906

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

What is the statutory authority for this rule? G.S. 128-28(g) is the general rulemaking authority, and 128-26(a) references allowing credit for military service, but where is the authority for permitting credit for military service that has already been credited in the Federal Civil Service Program?

On line 5, capitalize "state".

On line 8, when you say "under civil service" do you mean under the "Federal Civil Service Program" as stated on line 6?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	0906 is readopted with changes as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1854, as follows:
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4	20 NCAC 02C	.0906 CIVIL SERVICE PROGRAM
5	A member of the	ne Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System whose employment in this state requires the
6	memberhim to	participate in the Federal Civil Service Program in lieu of the social Social security Security program
7	shall not be ba	rred from receiving military service credit for which the member he is otherwise eligible in the
8	retirementRetire	ement systemSystem despite the fact that the member he may also receive credit under civil service
9	for the same pe	riod of military service, provided that the member he makes the required payment.
10 11	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-26(a); 128-28(g);
12		Eff. February 1, 1976;
13		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. 1977;
14		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.

AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0907

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

On line 4, it's not clear what the "exclusion" is. Please revise and clarify.

What are "service connected disability" and "longevity retirement" referring to? Are these terms defined elsewhere? If so, please incorporate by reference in compliance with G.S. 150B-21.6.

Additionally what is the statutory authority for this rule? G.S. 128-28(g) is the general rulemaking authority, and 128-26(a) references allowing credit for military service, but where is the authority for the substance of the Rule?

For clarity, remove the commas from lines 4 and 5.

"Service connected" should be hyphenated, unless it is not done so by statute.

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C .	1907 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR page 1855, as follows:	
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3	20 NCAC 02C.	0907 EXCLUSION	
4	The exclusion, for purchase of service in the Armed Forces of the United States as it pertains to credit for any other		
5	retirement system, shall not include "service connected disability" benefits received from the Veterans Administration		
6	of the Federal G	overnment except when such benefits are a supplement to a "longevity retirement" benefit.	
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8	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-26(a); 128-28(g);	
9		Eff. February 1, 1976;	
10		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. <u>1977;</u>	
11		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.	

AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .0908

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

This appears to be a run-on sentence. Please consider re-writing for brevity and clarity.

How is the regulated public to know what the "law in effect at the time" of retirement?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	.0908 is readopted with changes as published in 36:23 NCR page 1855, as follows:
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4	20 NCAC 02C	.0908 RECALCULATION OF BENEFITS
5	For members al	ready retired who obtain avail themselves of the provisions for obtaining military service credit, any
6	recalculation of	benefits shall be based on the law in effect at the time of the individual's retirement including the
7	additional servi	ce credit and effect shall be given for all benefit increases subsequent to the date of retirement which
8	shall be a part of	of the total cost of providing the additional service credit.
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10	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-26(a); 128-28(g);
11		Eff. February 1, 1976;
12		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. <u>1977:</u>
13		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.

AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .1002

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

G.S. 128-26(j) was "repealed by Session Laws 1987, c. 617, s. 3." What is the authority for this Rule? Is it 128-26(j2)?

On line 5, who does "individual" refer to? The "member"?

On line 5, the individual must pay for "all or such portion in full years..." Portion of what?

If I read this sentence right, it appears that you're saying that in order to qualify, the individual has to pay for the services. Is this any different from G.S. 128-26? Thus, is it necessary?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	1002 is readopted with changes as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1855, as follows:
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4	20 NCAC 02C	.1002 QUALIFYING FOR CREDIT
5	In order to quali	fy, each individual must pay for all or such portion in full years as he-the member desires of out-of-state
6	service for which	h <u>the member</u> he-is eligible.
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8	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-26(j); 128-28(g);
9		Eff. February 1, 1976;
10		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. <u>1977:</u>
11		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.

AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .1003

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

Why is the agency referencing "S.L. 1987, C. 617" as authority? If possible, please refer to the location where this portion of the Session Law was codified in the General Statutes.

"Other governmental subdivision of the United States" should be formatted as a definition. See previous rules on the proper format.

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	1003 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1855, as follows:
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4	20 NCAC 02C	.1003 OTHER GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISION
5	"Other governn	nental subdivision of the United States" shall mean a state or territory and its subdivisions but not the
6	United States G	overnment.
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8	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-28(g); S.L. 1987, C. 617;
9		Eff. February 1, 1976;
10		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977;
11		Amended Eff. August 1, 1988. 1988;
12		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.

AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .1004

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

In (1), line 6, what is meant by "when the member first entered service"? First year?

Similarly, in (2), line 8, what does "at that time" mean?

G.S. 128-26(j) was "repealed by Session Laws 1987, c. 617, s. 3." What is the authority for this Rule? Is it 128-26(j2)?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	.1004 is readopted with changes as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1855, as follows:
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4	20 NCAC 02C	.1004 COMPUTATION OF COST
5	The cost of pur	chasing credit for out-of-state service is calculated as follows:
6	(1)	the monthly compensation the member earned when the member he-first entered membership
7		service; multiplied bytimes
8	(2)	the employee contribution rate at that time; times multiplied by
9	(3)	the number of months of out-of-state service for which credit is to be purchased; timesmultiplied by
10	(4)	two; plus
11	(5)	a factor equivalent to interest at the rate of six and one-half percent, compounded annually, from the
12		year of initial membership to the year of payment.
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14	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-26(j); 128-28(g);
15		Eff. February 1, 1976;
16		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. 1977;
17		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.

AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .1006

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In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

G.S. 128-26(j) was "repealed by Session Laws 1987, c. 617, s. 3." What is the authority for this Rule? Is it 128-26(j2)?

This appears to be one long run-on sentence. Please consider rewriting for clarity and brevity.

Please correct the reference to the repealed statute on line 6.

How is the regulated public to know what the "law in effect at the time" of retirement?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C	.1006 is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1855, as follows:
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4	20 NCAC 02C	.1006 RECALCULATION OF BENEFITS
5	For members	already retired who avail themselves of the provisions for obtaining credit for out of state
6	service, purchas	e service under G.S. 128-26(j), any recalculation of benefits shall be based on the law in effect at the
7	time of the ind	lividual's retirement including the additional service credit and effect shall be given for all benefit
8	increases subse	quent to the date of retirement which shall be a part of the total cost of providing the additional service
9	credit.	
10 11	History Note:	Authority G.S. 128-26(j); 128-28(g);
12		Eff. February 1, 1976;
13		Readopted Eff. September 21, 1977. 1977;
14		Readopted Eff. January 1, 2023.

AGENCY: Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

RULE CITATION: 20 NCAC 02C .1007

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT: Friday, December 9, 2022.

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> This request may extend to several pages. Please be sure you have reached the end of the document.

The Rules Review Commission staff has completed its review of this Rule prior to the Commission's next meeting. The Commission has not yet reviewed this Rule and therefore there has not been a determination as to whether the Rule will be approved. You may email the reviewing attorney to inquire concerning the staff recommendation.

In reviewing this Rule, the staff recommends the following changes be made:

G.S. 128-26(j) was "repealed by Session Laws 1987, c. 617, s. 3." What is the authority for this Rule? Is it 128-26(j2)?

Please retype the rule accordingly and resubmit it to our office at 1711 New Hope Church Road, Raleigh, North Carolina 27609.

1	20 NCAC 02C.	100/ is readopted as published in 36:23 NCR, page 1855, as follows:
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3	20 NCAC 02C	.1007 CHANGE IN BENEFITS
4	For members all	ready retired, any change in benefits resulting from the provisions for obtaining credit for out-of-state
5	service shall bed	come effective as of the first of the month following receipt of the required payment.
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