

Part 210 Chapter 43 Interest Rates Used in the Calculation of Repayment of a Refund and for Correction of Administrative Reporting Errors

100 Purpose

The purpose of this regulation is to clarify the interest rates used in calculating the repayment of a refund of contributions or in reporting paying interest on unreported contributions.

101 Interest rate of fiscal years prior to July 1, 1994

For fiscal years prior to July 1, 1994, interest, as required in Miss. Code Ann. §25-11-117 (1972, as amended), for the repayment of a refund, or as required in Miss. Code Ann. §25-11-105 (1972, as amended) for the payment of an adjustment for non-reported covered service and/or compensation due to administrative error, shall be calculated on the basis of the interest rate adopted by the PERS Board of Trustees. This interest rate was based on the actuarial assumed interest rate of the System.

102 Interest rate for fiscal years beginning on and after July 1, 1994, through June 30, 1998

For the fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 1994, through June 30, 1998, interest as required in Miss. Code Ann. §25-11-117 (1972, as amended), for the repayment of a refund, or as required in Miss. Code Ann. §25-11-105 (1972, as amended) for the payment of an adjustment for non-reported covered service and/or compensation due to administrative error, shall be computed on the basis of actual annual total rate of return on investments of the System as reflected in the System's annual report, but in no event will interest so charged be less than the rate of interest credited to the member's account in accordance with § 25-11-121(7).

103 Interest rate for fiscal years beginning on and after July 1, 1998

For each fiscal year beginning on and after July 1, 1998, interest as required above, shall be computed on the basis of the actuarial assumed interest rate of the System.

- The assumed rate of return from July 1, 1998 through June 30, 2015 was 8.0%.
- The assumed rate of return from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2021 was 7.75%.
- The assumed rate of return from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023 was 7.55%.
- The assumed rate of return as of July 1, 2023 is 7.0%.

104 Interest rate to be credited to member's account upon repayment of refund

Effective on and after July 1, 1994, upon payment of a refund or adjustment, as provided for above, the member's account shall be credited with interest as provided in Miss. Code Ann. §25-11-121(7) (1972, as amended), equal to the interest which would have been posted had the member's contributions been in the plan on a continuous basis. Such interest credit shall apply only to periods of time from and after July 1, 1994.

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