

Welcome

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Agenda

- Overview
- Resources
- Plan Administration
- Enrollment Process for New Employees
- Second Election
- Investment Funds
- ADVISOR SERVICE
- Investment Plan Features

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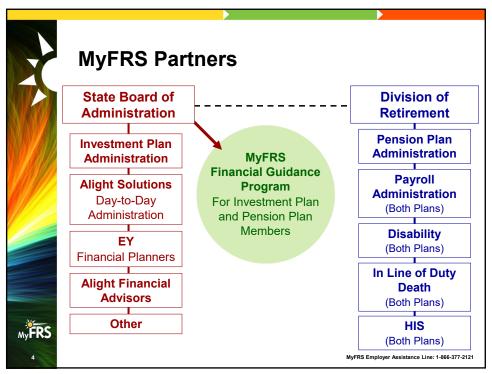


Workshop Survey

- In person text "FRS employer" now to 609 644 9622
 - You will receive a text with a link to the survey
- Online text or click survey link in resources box

Thank you for providing feedback to help ensure we are meeting your needs

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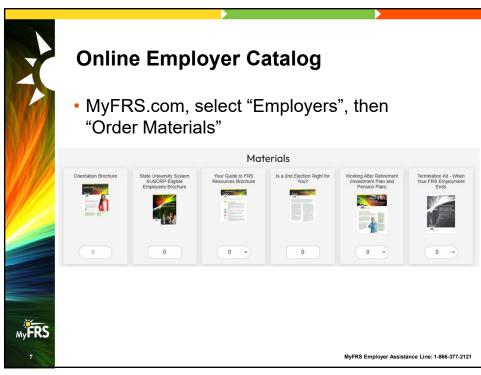


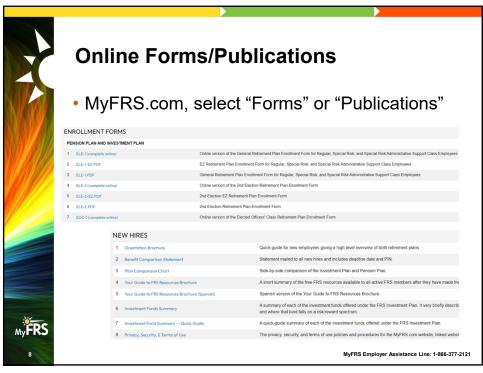


Employer Resources

- MyFRS.com website
 - Online Employer Catalog
- Quarterly Employer Newsletter
 - Electronic only
 - Allison.Olson@sbafla.com
- MyFRS Employer Assistance Line
 - EY
 - Division of Retirement
 - Alight Solutions









Employer Resources: Employer Handbooks

- Pension Plan Employer Handbook
- Investment Plan Employer Handbook
- Technical guide for retirement coordinators, payroll staff, and others who have FRS

https://www.myfrs.com/Employer_Handbook.htm



Employer Resources: Employer Handbooks

- Handbooks include:
 - Policies and procedures
 - · Member eligibility and requirements
 - Workshops and resources concerning the two FRS retirement plans
 - · Links to files and information online

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Employer Webcasts/Workshops

- Visit Workshop Calendar
 - https://www.myfrs.com/WorkshopCalender.htm
- Videos available
 - https://www.myfrs.com/IPEmployerTrainigVideo.htm
 - https://www.myfrs.com/PPEmployerTrainingVideo.htm



Employee Resources

- For ALL members
- MyFRS Financial Guidance Line
 - 1-866-446-9377
- MyFRS.com

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MyFRS Financial Guidance Line

- Toll-free 1-866-446-9377
 - Monday Friday, 8 AM 6 PM ET
- EY financial planners
- Division of Retirement
- Alight Solutions

FOR ALL MEMBERS (Regardless of the plan they choose)



Employee Workshops

- EY Workshops
- Division of Retirement Workshops
- More information at MyFRS.com
- Call for info! MyFRS Employer Assistance Line 1-866-377-2121

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Plan Administration – Deadlines • Payroll contributions

- Due date: 5th business day of month
- 1% delinquent assessment
- Employer also pays
 - Market losses
 - Payroll Errors
 - Election Errors
 - Administrative fee



Contribution Rates (2024-2025)

Contributions Paid by FRS Employers						
FRS Membership Class	Blended Rate	UAL	Admin/ Education	HIS	Total ER Rate	
Regular	6.73%	4.84%	.06%	2.00%	13.63%	
Special Risk	18.66%	12.07%	.06%	2.00%	32.79%	
Special Risk Admin.	11.54%	26.22%	.06%	2.00%	39.82%	
Elected (Judges)	14.90%	28.49%	.06%	2.00%	45.45%	
Elected (Leg/Cab/ Defender/Attorney)	10.70%	50.21%	.06%	2.00%	62.97%	
Elected (County/Local)	12.39%	44.23%	.06%	2.00%	58.68%	
Senior Management	8.56%	23.90%	.06%	2.00%	34.52%	

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Contribution Rates (2024-2025)

Contributions Paid by Employers and Employees						
FRS Membership Class	Paid by Employer	Paid by Employee	Total Pension Plan Contribution			
Regular	13.63%	3.00%	16.63%			
Special Risk	32.79%	3.00%	35.79%			
Special Risk Admin.	39.82%	3.00%	42.82%			
Elected (Judges)	45.45%	3.00%	48.45%			
Elected (Leg/Cab/ Defender/Attorney)	62.97%	3.00%	65.97%			
Elected (County/Local)	58.68%	3.00%	61.68%			
Senior Management	34.52%	3.00%	37.52%			



Contribution Rates (2024-2025)

Investment Plan Contribution Components					
FRS Membership Class	Paid by Employer	Paid by Employee	Total Investment Plan Contribution		
Regular	8.30%	3.00%	11.30%		
Special Risk	16.00%	3.00%	19.00%		
Special Risk Admin.	9.95%	3.00%	12.95%		
Elected (Judges)	15.23%	3.00%	18.23%		
Elected (Leg/Cab/ Defender/Attorney)	11.38%	3.00%	14.38%		
Elected (County/Local)	13.34%	3.00%	16.34%		
Senior Management	9.67%	3.00%	12.67%		

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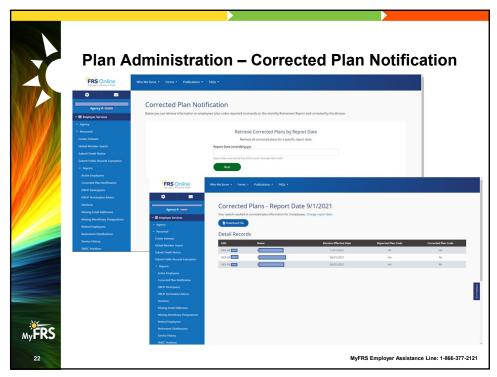
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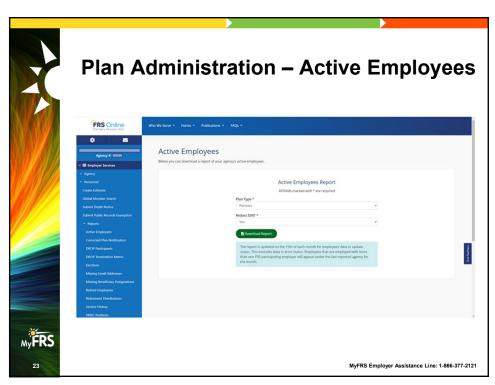


Plan Administration – Reporting Correct Timing for Initial Choice

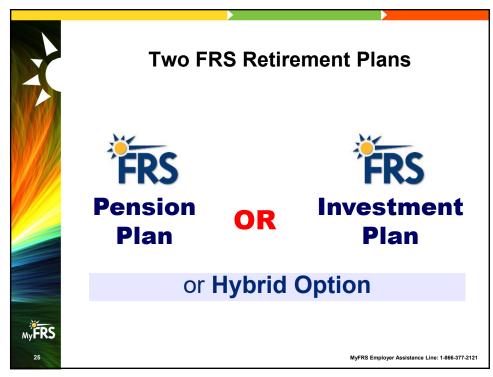
- Timing Internal payroll changes
 - Payroll change due the 5th business day of following month
 - Always effective 1st day of next month
 - Example

June Employee makes election July 1 Election effective 5th business day of August July Payroll Plan Code Changed





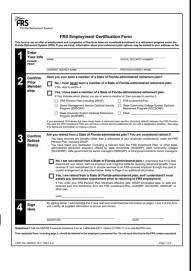






Certification Form

- Pre-hire form
- Certifies retirement status
- Employer liability
- Prospective employees sign/date
- Do not send to FRS
- Available on MyFRS.com (or use your own)
- Check online before hiring



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New Hires – FRS Membership

- Required for all full-time/part-time regularly established positions
- Other annuity or optional programs:
 - State University System faculty and administrative and professional employees
 - State Community College System faculty and certain administrators (if their college offers an optional retirement program)



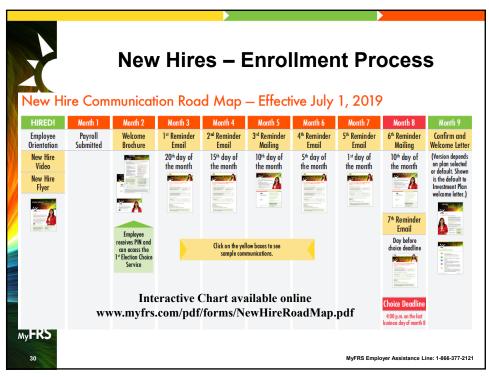
New Hires – Investment Plan Eligibility

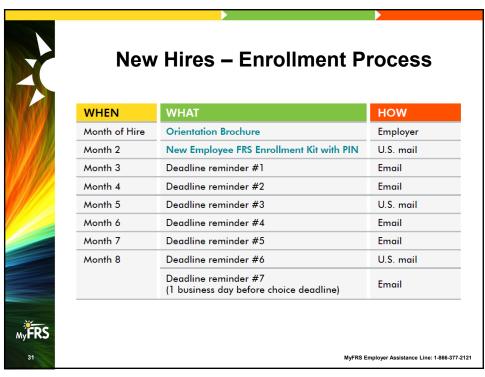
- All FRS members except:
 - Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP) participants
 - State University System Optional Retirement Program (SUSORP) members
 - **Teachers' Retirement System** members (closed plan)



New Hires - Enrollment Process

- Election period 8 months following month of hire
- Choice period established for those who do not have an initial election on file at time of employment
- Default
 - Special Risk Pension Plan
 - All other classes Investment Plan







New Hires - Enrollment Process

- Regular or Special Risk Class employee
 - Online ChooseMyFRSplan.com or Login
 - · Call the MyFRS Financial Guidance Line
 - Online form or Paper form
- · Other Membership Class -
 - SMSC employee
 - Enrolling in SMSC Online form or Paper Form
 - Any other selection Paper form only
 - EOC employee
 - Enrolling in EOC Online form or Paper Form
 - Any other selection Paper form only

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New Hires

- Employees who know they want to enroll in the Investment Plan should do so ASAP so dollars are invested timely
- Preserve the 2nd Election

FAST FACTS

- 87,444 new hires/year
- 7,287/month average
- Peak months
 - August = 14,960
 - September = 8,942

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Choice Resources for New Hires

- MyFRS Financial Guidance Line
- MyFRS.com resources
 - ChooseMyFRSplan.com, FAQ's, brochures, forms, detailed plan comparison, Online 1st Election Choice Service
- Printed materials
- New Hire video (online)
- Workshops (if requested by employer)
- Reminder letters



Orientation Brochure

- High-level overview
- Stresses MyFRS Financial **Guidance Line**
- Distribute in new employee orientation packages
- Order
 - MyFRS.com and select "Employer" page
 - Employer Assistance Line, Option 3



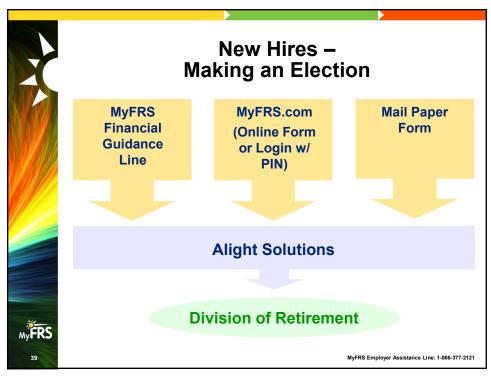


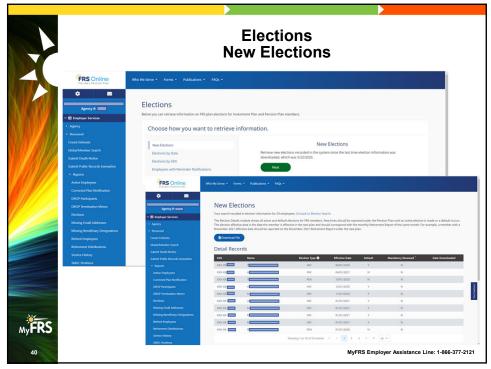
FRS Enrollment Kit

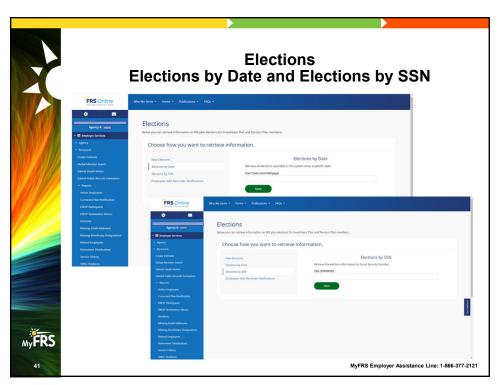
- New Employee **Enrollment Kit**
 - Includes PIN and deadline date
 - Push members to ChooseMyFRSplan.com

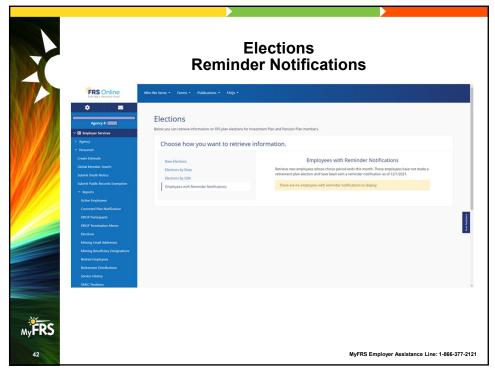


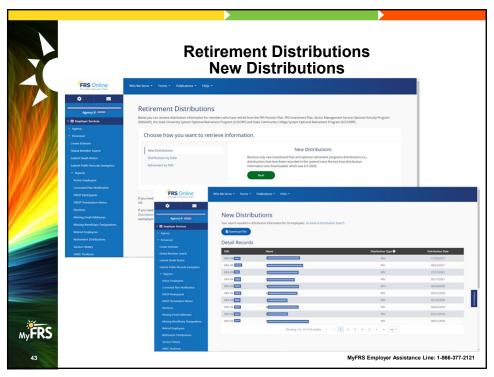


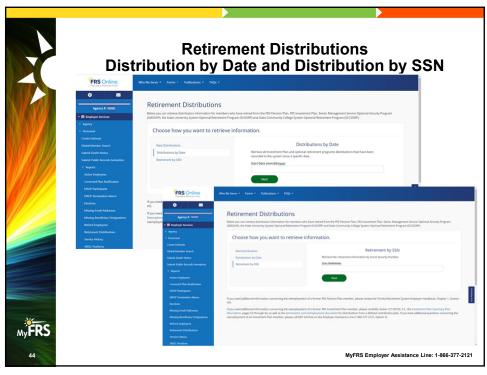












Beneficiary Designation

- Make change online,
- Investment Plan members can change by calling Alight Solutions, or
- · Complete online Beneficiary Designation form, or
- · Mail a Beneficiary Designation form any time
 - Pension Plan →BEN-001→ Division of Retirement
 - Investment Plan →IPBEN-1→ Alight Solutions
 - · Complete online or download copy of form online
 - · Or call to request copy of form
 - · Enrollment form default designation
 - Florida Statutes
- Talk to a financial planner



Renewed Membership Effective 7/1/2017

- Prior to 7/1/2017 (U Plan)
 - Retiree (Investment Plan and Pension Plan) reemployed prior to 7/1/2017 were not eligible for a second career retirement.
- Reemployed Retirees as of 7/1/2017 and Newly Hired Retirees
 - Mandatory membership begins when enrolled (reported) on monthly Report.
 - · Pertains to retirees of a Defined Contribution plan only.
 - SUSORP & SCCSORP mandatory for renewed members.
- Welcome Letter/Enrollment information indicating the member defaulted to a Retirement Date Fund and is not afforded an election to participate in the Pension Plan.
- Beneficiary information and investment options can be updated at anytime.





2nd Election

- One-time opportunity
- Switch plans any time
 - 2nd Election Retirement Plan Enrollment Form
 - Mail or fax (1-888-310-5559) paper form to Alight Solutions
 - Can be completed and submitted online at MyFRS.com (no login required)
 - Login Online (Pension Plan to Investment Plan only)
- Must be an active employee = earning salary & service credit
- Educational institution employees

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2nd Election – Pension Plan **⊃** Investment Plan

- Pension Plan present value

 Investment Plan
- Hybrid option
 - Freeze Pension Plan
 - Future contributions

 Investment Plan
 - ≥ 5 years if enrolled prior to July 1, 2011
 - ≥ 8 years if enrolled on or after July 1, 2011
- Vesting caution
 - 6 years if enrolled prior to July 1, 2011
 - 8 years if enrolled on or after July 1, 2011



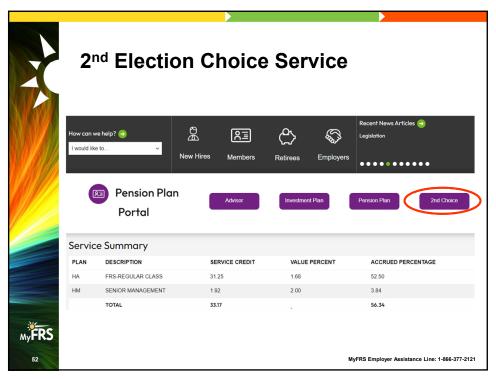
2nd Election -Investment Plan Pension Plan

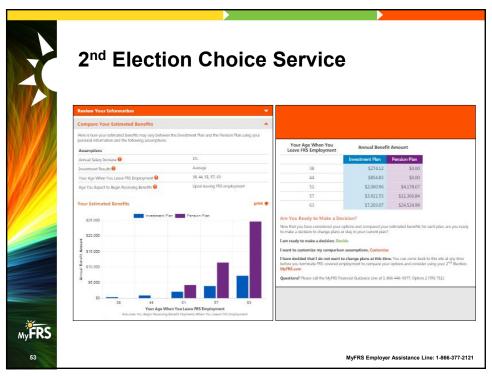
- Buy into the Pension Plan with Investment Plan \$\$
 - Present value
 - Accrued liability or total cost
- Make up difference with personal \$\$
- Calculate estimated costs at MyFRS.com
 - With previous Pension Plan Service



Considerations in Using Your 2nd Election

- Pension Plan members
 - Do you want to take the FRS benefit with you to a non-FRS employer?
 - · Do you want to control how/when you receive the benefit?
- Investment Plan members
 - Can you get a better benefit under the Pension Plan because you are staying longer than you initially expected?
 - Do you want to participate in the DROP?







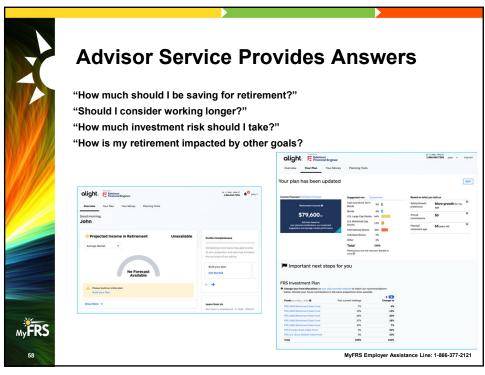


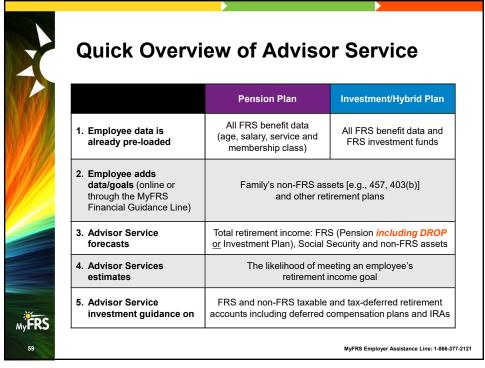


FRS Investment Plan Fund Choices

- Retirement Date Funds
 - 11 funds
 - All fund selections, allocations and changes are done for them through the progression of time.
- Active and Passive Funds
 - 3 broad based passively managed (index) funds
 - 6 actively managed funds
- Self Directed Brokerage
 - · Stocks and multiple mutual funds
 - · Not suitable for all members









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Investment Plan Features

- Rollovers
- Disability Benefits
- Death Benefits
- Distributions
- Health Insurance Subsidy
- Health Insurance Coverage
- Reemployment
- Forfeitures
- Complaint Process



Investment Plan Rollovers

- Current, Former, and Retired members
 - Roll qualified plans \$\$ Investment Plan
- Current and former DROP participants
 - Roll DROP \$\$ ☐ Investment Plan
 - · Low-cost funds and inactive admin. fee

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Investment Plan Disability Benefits

- · Must have a total and permanent disability
- Regular Disability
 - 25% minimum, must have 8 years service credit
- ILOD Disability
 - 42% or 65% minimum, eligible from first day
- Division approval
 - Investment Plan \$\$ > Pension Plan
 - Disability benefits under Pension Plan provisions
- 2nd Election not required
- Recovery
 transfer back to Investment Plan



Investment Plan Death Benefits

- Vested, no distribution
 full value of account balance to beneficiary
- Spouse beneficiary
 - · Choice of distribution
 - Defer distribution
- Other beneficiary
 - One year to decide
 - · 5-year payout or lifetime annuity
- Line of duty
 - 50% of monthly salary for Regular Class, EOC, SMSC
 - 100% of monthly salary at death for Special Risk

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FRS Survivor Counseling

- Free, objective financial guidance
- Investment Plan & Pension Plan beneficiaries
- Automatically notified by mail
- Available for one year





Investment Plan Distributions

- Vested
- Requirements
 - · Terminated for 3 calendar months
 - 1 calendar month exception
 - · Termination date on file
 - Member requests distribution from Alight Solutions or online – direct deposit available
- Auto distribution
 - Account balance \$1,000 or less

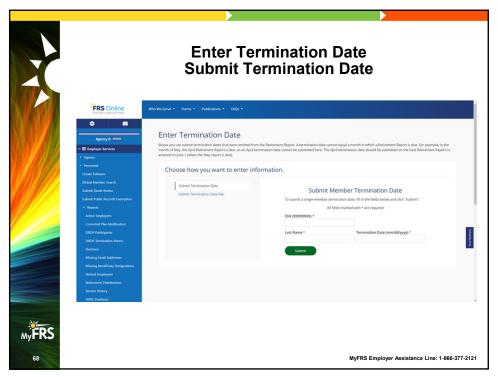
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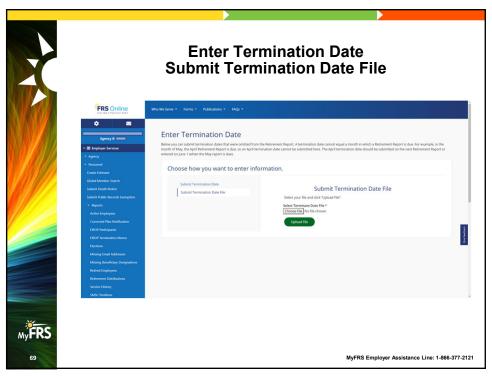
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Investment Plan Distributions Reporting Termination Date

- Report term date on monthly payroll report
- You can report no salary/contributions
- Exception only
 - Termination date not reported timely
 - Employer sign
 - Submit Employment Termination Form to Alight Solutions
 - · Submit termination date online

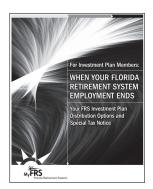






Investment Plan Termination Kit

- · Mailed automatically
- Includes:
 - Distribution requirements and payment options
 - De minimis and Required Minimum Distributions
 - Penalties and taxes
 - · Health Insurance Subsidy eligibility
 - Reemployment
 - Special Tax Notice
- If terminates & immediately reemployed, Kit mailed
 - Ignore if working
 - · Contributions still deposited



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Investment Plan Payment Options

- Rollover
- Lump-sum
- · On demand or scheduled
- Lifetime income payments
 - Survivor
 - 3% COLA
 - · Immediate, deferred
- Combination



Taxes on Investment Plan Distributions

- · Taxed when received
 - · Penalties for early distributions
- Rollover to defer taxes
- Exceptions
 - Call MyFRS Financial Guidance Line

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Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS)

- \$7.50 year of creditable service
 - \$45 minimum/month
 - \$225 maximum/month
- Eligibility
 - 6 years, if enrolled prior to July 1, 2011
 - 8 years if enrolled on or after July 1, 2011



Health Insurance Subsidy (HIS)

- Early distribution
 Pension Plan normal retirement
 - Special Risk: Age 55 + 6 years or 25 years, enrolled prior to July 1, 2011; Age 55 + 8 years or 25 years, enrolled on or after July 1, 2011
 - All other classes: Age 62 + 6 years or 30 years, enrolled prior to July 1, 2011; Age 65 + 8 years or 33 years, enrolled on or after July 1, 2011
- Hybrid Option → Pension Plan benefit
- Surviving spouse

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Health Insurance Coverage

- Investment Plan
 - Insured prior to retirement
 - Continue same coverage
 - Employer by employer
- Pension Plan
 - Normal or early retirement
- State Employee Memo
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Re-employment Limitations

- Non-FRS employer
 - No effect on benefit
- FRS employer
 - Legislative change effective July 1, 2024
 - Terminate 6 calendar months
 - Reemployment on or after the 7th calendar month
 - Volunteer Program



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Forfeiture of Benefits – Specified Crimes

- · Forfeit benefits for criminal offense
- · Commission on Ethics notified by:
 - · Clerk of Court
 - Secretary of the Senate
 - Employer



Forfeiture of Benefits – Non-Vested Service

- Unvested benefit forfeited if:
 - Take distribution of vested balance (including employee contributions)
 - Not re-employed within 5 years
- Example:
 - 5 years of service
 (3 Pension Plan + 2 Investment Plan)
 - · January 1, 2023 termination date

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Complaint Process

- Dissatisfaction with
 - Administrative services
 - Education provider
 - Investment provider
- Submit Request for Intervention Form to SBA
- Petition for Hearing Form

