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During this past Legislative session, House Bill 55 passed which amends Idaho Statute 59-1356 concerning the reemployment of retired members.

Newly added sections to the statute, (8)(a), (b), and (c), stress that a retired member may provide services as a bona fide volunteer for a PERSI employer, after retirement and such services shall not be considered reemployment of a retired member.

A bona fide volunteer means an individual who performs service without promise, expectation, or receipt of any type of compensation, who is not performing a kind of work or service that would normally be compensated by an employer, and who is not classifying employment conduct as volunteering to avoid being considered an employee.

Any retirement allowance payments received by a retired member who is not a bona fide volunteer shall be repaid to the system, such retired member's retirement shall be negated, and the provisions of subsection (1) of this 59-1356 shall apply.

If you have questions, please call the PERSI Answer Center at 800-451-8228 or 208-334-3365.

NOTE: This change only applies when returning to work as a volunteer for a PERSI employer.