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TO: Certifying Officers, Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)
FROM: Jeff S. Ignatowitz, PERS Board Secretary
SUBJECT: **PERS Notice of Election Date Extension - State Representative**

This notice for the 2021 Public Employees' Retirement System State Representative election requires your cooperation and response.

The PERS-State Representative election was set to end as of May 28, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. However, at its meeting of May 19, 2021, the Board voted to extend the deadline until **June 28, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.**, in order to ensure that all locations would be able to distribute election ballots to all eligible PERS-State members in a safe, fair and efficient manner. Please advise your PERS-State members that although the original ballots reflect the original May 28, 2021, deadline, the deadline in which members can cast their votes is now **June 28, 2021, at 4:00 p.m.**

Please distribute this election notice electronically, or, if you are not able to accommodate electronic distribution, please provide a paper notice to every PERS-State member employed at your location. If you are the Certifying Officer for multiple locations, you will receive only one Certifying Officer letter; however, you are required to distribute the election notice to active PERS-State members at all locations. Your attention to this distribution is required under N.J.A.C. 17:2-1.4.

The Board certainly understands that distribution of the ballots is more difficult than during normal elections due to the fact that many members continue to work remotely. However, it is imperative that every PERS-State member has an opportunity to vote in this important election, and the Board is asking each Certifying Officer to make every effort to distribute the ballots to their members in as safe and efficient way as possible. For example, many Certifying Officers have advised the Board Office that they have mailed the ballots to their employees' homes or made their ballots available at their work location on certain days.

The Board appreciates your efforts in assisting with the safe and fair administration of the election.