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<u>Circular Letter</u>

TO: ALL CONTRACTING PUBLIC AGENCIES

SUBJECT: UPDATED OPTIONAL BENEFITS LISTING (PERS-CON-40)

The California Public Employees' Retirement System's (CalPERS) latest Optional Benefits Listing (PERS-CON-40) is available online at www.calpers.ca.gov. The following changes to the listing due to legislation are summarized below:

- Chapter 79 (AB 86, Statutes of 2009) effective January 1, 2010, added Section 20423.3 to the Government Code. Section 20423.3 allows a contracting agency to amend its contract to include airport patrol officer, airport law enforcement officer, or airport police officer who is a peace officer, as defined in subdivision (d) of Section 830.33 of the Penal Code, employed by a city, county of district operating the airport or by a joint powers agency as "Local Safety Member".
- Chapter 130 (AB 966, Statutes of 2009) enacted August 6, 2009, added School Safety Members to the list of member groups eligible for separate benefits.
- Chapter 130 (AB 966, Statutes of 2009) enacted August 6, 2009, amended Section 21118 to remove the requirement that a member must work 20 years before being eligible for Partial Service Retirement.

To find the Optional Benefits Listing on the website, please follow the instructions below:

- Access CalPERS On-Line at www.calpers.ca.gov
- Select "FOR EMPLOYERS" (tool bar)
- Select "Benefit Programs & Contracting Services"
- Under ▼Shortcuts select "-Optional Benefits"

If you have any questions, please contact the Employer Contact Center at **888 CaIPERS** (or **888**-225-7377).

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