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Petitions available for upcoming retiree representative vacancy

The Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS) is seeking candidate petitions for one of two retiree positions on the PERS Board of Trustees.

The position will become vacant April 30, 2011, as Lester Herrington steps down after serving on the Board for 16 years. The new term will run from May 1, 2011, to April 30, 2017.

Candidates for the position must be retired through PERS. Nomination petitions must be signed by 25 or more PERS retirees.

Notices and petitions for the vacancy are available by contacting PERS or visiting www.pers.state.ms.us. Deadline for receipt of petitions by PERS will be 5 p.m. December 6.

The Board is scheduled to approve the ballot at its December 21 meeting so that ballots can be mailed to retirees January 10. The deadline for receipt of ballots by PERS will be February 10.

Should a runoff election be necessary, new ballots will be mailed March 14 with a return deadline of 5 p.m. April 13.

The 10-member Board includes the state treasurer, a gubernatorial appointee who is a member of PERS, two retirees, two state employees and one representative each of public schools and community colleges, state universities, counties and municipalities. With the exception of the state treasurer and the gubernatorial appointee, board members are elected by their respective constituents to staggered six-year terms.

For more information about PERS, visit www.pers.state.ms.us.

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