



# EMPLOYEE NEWSLETTER

## 3rd Quarter FY25

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### PAS Updates

#### Pension Administration System

Our School Reporting team has successfully completed the 1<sup>st</sup> phase of User Acceptance Testing (UAT#1). We are pleased with the progress of this new system. We will begin phase #2 UAT later this Summer. Please note that our focused LAU user group will be testing later this fall.

### LAU Help

**Question** – How do we report the death of an employee or a retired employee?

**Answer** – School personal should advise the family or the executor of the estate that they need to contact our Member Service Department. Contact NMERB at (505)585-3510 or 1(800)663-1919 to report a death of an ERB member.

### Three Things to Know

#### Outstanding Statement Balance

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As we prepare to transfer into our new pension administration system Ariel, we are cleaning our data. If your school district has an outstanding statement balance our school reporting team will be in contact with your payroll department to resolve the outstanding credit or debit balances.

#### 2025 NM Legislative Session

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ERB is watching two bills that have been introduced in this year's legislative session. First, is Senate Bill 133 (SB133) – the purpose of this bill would increase the RTW program \$15K or less to \$25K or less. It would also increase the 36-month consecutive, non-consecutive RTW program to 60 months. The second, is House Bill 254 (HB254) would increase the 36-month consecutive, non-consecutive to 84-month.

#### Pre-Retirement Beneficiary Designation Form

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All questions regarding this form should be directed to our Member Service Department. Contact our office at (505)585-3510 or 1(800)663-1919. You may send an email to [member.help@erb.nm.gov](mailto:member.help@erb.nm.gov). If you are receiving forms returned to your office with a letter stating, they are incomplete or not acceptable, we recommend that you have your staff complete the DocuSign version that is available on our website. [Forms | NM Educational Retirement Board](#). Have staff members save the document as a PDF to keep for their records and to add to personnel files.

| Do  | Do Not             |
|---|--------------------|
| Use most current version of form          | Email or fax forms |
| Read form carefully                       |                    |
| Use blue or black ink                     |                    |
| Keep a copy for your records              |                    |
| Mail original form to our Santa Fe office |                    |

### ACRONYMS

PAS - Pension Administration System

LAU - Local Administrative Units (221 ERB Contributors)

RTW - Return-to-Work

For questions, comments on these topics, or if have a request for future topics, send your email to [LAU.help@erb.nm.gov](mailto:LAU.help@erb.nm.gov).