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Online Reporting Forms

The State Auditor's Office is introducing a new Online Reporting option that will be available at the beginning of June and can be used for completing the 2005 reporting forms and 2006 Schedule. All relief associations will have the ability to use the online reporting option that is provided at no cost. To file online your relief association will download forms from the State Auditor's website (www.auditor.state.mn.us) and complete them on your computer in an Excel format. Upon completion the forms are uploaded to the website with the reporting information being electronically submitted. Going forward, the online forms will pre-populate information so it should take less time for relief associations to complete the reporting information.

An email will be sent to the primary contact person of each relief association during the beginning of June. The email will contain your relief association's unique username and password that are needed to access the online reporting forms. If your relief association does not receive an email please contact Gail Richie with the Pension Division at (651) 282-6110 or Gail.Richie@state.mn.us so that we can update our records with the appropriate contact information.

Legislative Session Summary

In the closing hours of the 2006 Legislature, lawmakers passed a comprehensive pension bill containing the recommendations of the Volunteer Fire Relief Working Group. The bill was passed at 5:30 a.m. Sunday after a grueling, overnight session. Governor Pawlenty is expected to sign the bill in the near future. Information about the Volunteer Fire Relief Working Group can be found at the State Auditor's website.

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