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Note: Chapter ETF 60 was created as an emergency rule effective October 1, 1982.

Note: Chapter ETF 60 requires several new forms. These forms are available at no charge by contacting the department of employe trust funds.

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ETF 60.03 Due dates. A certification required in the administration of the group life insurance plan, or a written request to cancel an application under this chapter, which is due on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday when the state offices are closed shall be timely if received in the department the next working day.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3-1-83.

Subchapter II Group Life Insurance For State And Local Employes

ETF 60.31 Group life insurance coverage requirement. (1) An employer who has adopted a resolution to offer a group life insurance plan under s. 40.70 (1) (a), Stats., shall certify to the department all eligibility information specified by the department for employes eligible for group life insurance coverage on the effective date of the resolution. To verify that the participation requirement established under s. 40.70 (2), Stats., has been satisfied, the employer shall indicate the number of employes who have completed an application for coverage. The resolution shall be effective on January 1 if the certification of the eligibility information and the number of employes applying for coverage is received by the department no later than the preceding December 15. An employer may withdraw a resolution before it becomes effective if written notice by the governing body of the employer is received by the department no less than 5 working days before the resolution becomes effective.

(2) The department may review a participating employer's level of employe participation in the basic group life insurance plan provided under s. 40.72 (1), Stats. If in making a review of a participating employer's level of employe participation in the basic group life insurance plan the department determines that there is no employe participation, and this is confirmed by the employer, the department may terminate the life insurance resolution adopted under s. 40.70 (1) (a), Stats. If the department

determines that employe participation has decreased below the level established under s. 40.70 (2), Stats., the department shall prepare a list of those employers for submission to the group insurance board and the group insurance board shall determine which resolutions will be terminated. The termination of a resolution shall be effective either after the end of the third full month following the date the group insurance board or the department terminates coverage or the end of the calendar year, whichever occurs later. If a resolution is terminated under this subsection another resolution may be submitted under s. 40.70 (1) (a), Stats., after a lapse of 6 months from the effective date of the termination.

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ETF 60.32 Group life insurance coverage for employes under a private pension plan. Any insured employe who becomes an annuitant under a private pension plan and who retires before attaining age 65 but who has 20 years of service for the employer, may continue to be insured under the group life insurance plan if:

(1) The employe requests the continuation of the insurance by filing a form provided by the department with the employer within 60 days after termination of employment from the employer and agrees to pay the required premiums until reaching age 65; and

(2) The employer provides confirmation, to the department, of 20 years service.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3-1-83; r. (1), renum. (2) (intro.), (a) and (b) to be (intro.), (1) and (2), Register, September, 1986, No. 369, eff. 10-1-86.

ETF 60.33 Successor employers. (1) Whenever any employer is created, the territory of which includes more than one-half of the assessed valuation of an employer which was at the time of creation a participating employer, and the newly created employer assumes the functions and responsibilities of the previous employer, the newly created employer shall be a participating employer under the group life insurance program from the inception of the employer.

(2) Any person covered on the day preceding the date of creation of the successor employer shall continue to be covered under the group life insurance program on the same basis.

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(3) Any person who first becomes eligible for group life insurance coverage as a result of the consolidation of employers and who desires to enroll shall apply for coverage in accordance with the contract.

(4) The amount of group life insurance coverage for an insured employe of a successor employer shall be based on the aggregate of earnings from both the predecessor and successor employers in the previous calendar year.

History: Cr. Register, February, 1983, No. 326, eff. 3-1-83.

Subchapter III

Wisconsin Retirement System Death Benefits

ETF 60.51 Cancellation of death benefit and beneficiary annuity applications. (1) Any lump sum death benefit or beneficiary annuity application canceled pursuant to this section shall have no force or effect, and any subsequent application shall be treated as a new application. A writ-

ten request to cancel an application under sub. (2) or (3) shall be accompanied by repayment of any check issued pursuant to the application.

(2) An application for a lump sum death benefit payment under s. 40.73 (1) or (2), Stats., shall be canceled if the applicant's written request for cancellation is received by the department within 30 days after the application was received by the department.

(3) An application for a beneficiary annuity under s. 40.73 (3), Stats., and any beneficiary designation filed by the applicant as a beneficiary, shall be canceled if the applicant's written request for cancellation is received by the department within 30 days after the annuity application was received by the department or within 30 days after the annuity effective date, whichever is later.

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