



Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System
Retiree Update | Winter 2018

Form 1099-R mailing in January

If you received a pension distribution from IPERS in 2017, IPERS will mail you a Form 1099-R for tax purposes. Additionally, an electronic copy will be made available to you by [logging into your account](#) and clicking "History of Letters and Documents."

Watch your mail for our Annual Summary

Your copy of IPERS' fiscal year [2017 annual report summary](#) mails this month. Watch for it and learn how recent [changes to our economic assumptions](#) help build a sustainable future for IPERS.

Income verification letters

2018 income verification letters -- letters confirming your 2018 monthly benefit along with your 2018 withholding amounts -- mailed mid-January. However, recent changes to the tax code have prompted the [Internal Revenue Service \(IRS\)](#) to update the income-tax withholding tables. Retirees can expect to receive an updated income verification letter, reflecting the changes to the tax code, in February.

Working to keep your data safe

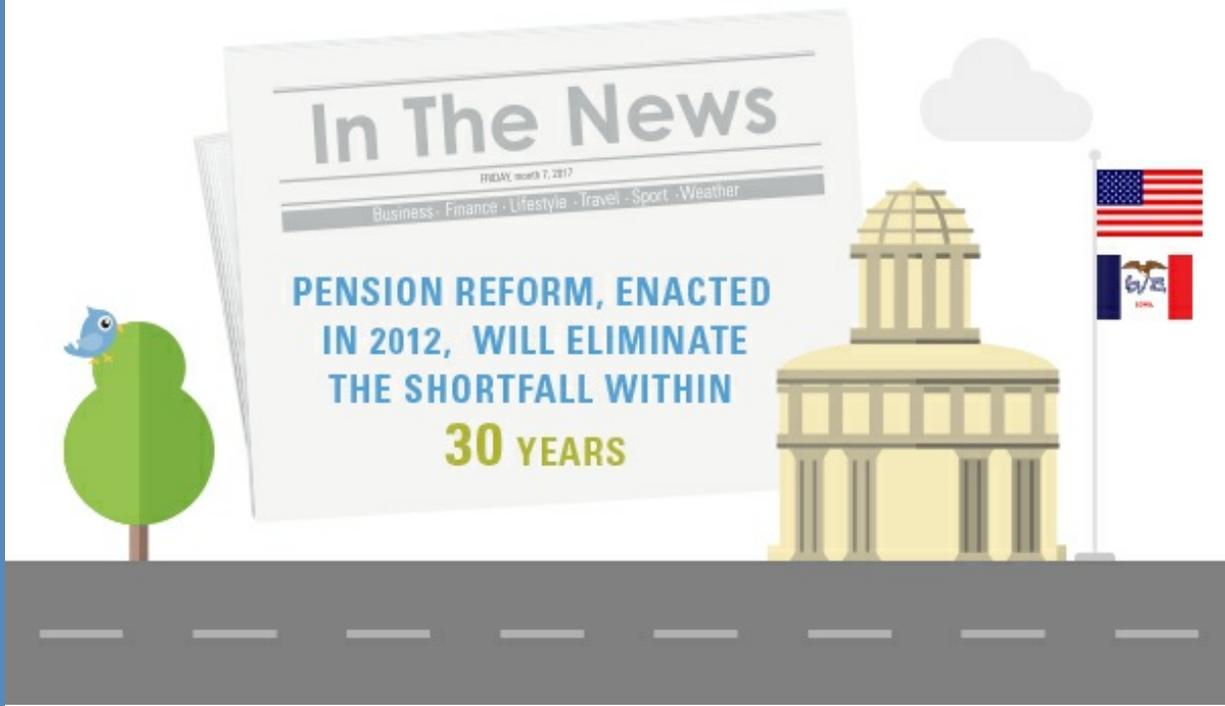
In October, IPERS learned that [103 retiree accounts were compromised](#). The cyber criminals, armed with stolen Social Security numbers and birth dates, were able to establish online access and change direct deposit account information. The criminals targeted members who had not previously created a username and password via [My Account](#) -- IPERS' online member self-service.

In addition to working with the FBI and other state agencies, IPERS continues to implement additional monitoring and security measures. IPERS also recommends [taking steps to protect yourself](#) from identity theft, even if you were not personally affected. A good first step is to [register for My Account](#) today. Note: Members will no longer be able to register for My Account using their Social Security numbers. Instead, you must register using your member ID -- issued when you became an IPERS member and noted on your member ID card.

My Account is an easy way to access your account information on our [website](#). The secure, self-service system allows members to update contact information, see designated beneficiaries, view a record of your IPERS benefit payments, and more.

Pension issues can be complicated

There are many factors that go into understanding public pensions such as IPERS. In order to help members, legislators and other stakeholders, IPERS launched a new website to better explain these factors in easy terms. Please take time to visit www.thetruthaboutipers.org so you can help others understand why IPERS is important to Iowa.



See the site

Staying up to date this legislative session

The 2018 legislative session opened on January 8, and there are a number of ways to stay up to date. The [Iowa Legislature website](#) provides a wealth of information about legislators, bills and meetings. IPERS' [Law and Legislation pages](#) are updated regularly throughout the legislative session. Our [Bill Watch](#) tracks IPERS-specific bills.

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