

Regulation on Reporting for Elected or Appointed Officials

315.4 Additional reporting requirements for elected or appointed officials of a participating employer.

(a) Record of Work Activities.

(i) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision, an elected or appointed official shall record his or her work activities for a period of three consecutive months. Such requirement shall not apply to any elected or appointed official who is not a member of the Retirement System nor to any elected or appointed official whose employer maintains a daily record of actual time worked. In recording work activities, such official may include time outside the normal working hours that requires his or her attention to attend to official duties, including responding to an emergency, attending an employer sponsored event, or meeting with or responding to members of the public on matters of official business. Such record of activities shall be completed within 150 days of taking office and shall be submitted by such official to the secretary or clerk of the governing board within 180 days of taking office. Such record of activities shall be accepted by such secretary or clerk as submitted without alteration thereof. An elected or appointed official who has prepared a record of activities pursuant to this subdivision for a previous term, may certify in writing to the governing board within 180 days of taking office that his or her duties, responsibilities and hours have not substantially or materially changed. A record of work activities and any certification based upon such record shall not be valid for more than eight years from the date of the taking of office for which the record of activities was initially maintained. Each such record of activities and any subsequent certification shall be retained by the employer for a period of at least ten years and full and complete copies thereof shall be provided to the State Comptroller upon his or her request.

(ii) In the event the initial recording of work activities for a period of three consecutive months is not representative of the average number of hours worked by the elected or appointed official, he or she may record work activities during the same calendar year for an alternative period of three consecutive months which is representative of the average number of hours worked by such official. Such alternate record of work activities shall be submitted to the governing board.

(b) Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution.

In addition to the reporting requirements set forth in subpart 315.3 of this Part, and for the sole purpose of reporting days worked to the Retirement System, the governing board of a participating employer of an elected or appointed official shall establish, by resolution, a standard work day for each elective or appointive office or position. Such resolution shall indicate: (i) the number of hours prescribed as a standard work day for each such elective or appointed office or position; (ii) the expiration of the term for each such office or position; (iii) that the employer maintains an actual daily record of time worked for the elected or appointed official or that the official holding the office has recorded and

submitted to the clerk his or her work activities for a period of three consecutive months; and (iv) for each elected and appointed official who has submitted a record of work activities pursuant to paragraph (i) of subdivision (a) of this section, the total number of days per month to be reported based upon such record of work activities. For the purpose of determining days worked, no fewer than six hours nor more than eight hours shall be established as a full-time standard work day. Such resolution shall be adopted no later than the first regular meeting held 180 days following commencement of the term of office and shall be applicable to employers whose elected and appointed officials are members of the Retirement System and are reported to the Retirement System by the employer. In the event an official submits an alternate record of activities pursuant to Paragraph (ii) of subdivision (a) of this section, the governing board may pass an additional resolution amending the maximum total number of days per month that will be reported for such official and directing the appropriate personnel to submit an adjustment report amending the number of days previously reported to the Retirement System.

(c) Resolution: Filing and Posting Requirements.

The resolution required by subdivision (b) of this section shall be posted on the employer's website for a minimum of thirty days or, in the event the employer does not maintain a website available to the public, such resolution shall be posted on the official sign-board or at the main entrance to the office of the clerk for the municipality or similar office of the employer for a minimum of thirty days. A certified copy of the resolution and an affidavit of posting shall be filed by the secretary or clerk of the governing board with the Office of the State Comptroller within 45 days of the adoption of the resolution. The failure of the governing board to adopt such resolution shall result in the suspension of service crediting and Retirement System membership benefits for the elected or appointed official until such time as the resolution is adopted, posted, and filed with the Comptroller. In the event the governing board submits an additional resolution amending the maximum total number of days per month that will be reported for an official pursuant to subdivision (b) of this section, such additional resolution shall be subject to the posting and filing requirements set forth in this subdivision.