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Correspondence Memorandum

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SUBJECT: Status of Proposed Administrative Rules

This memo is for informational purposes only. No Board action is required.

This memorandum is presented quarterly to inform board members about the status of administrative rules being promulgated by the Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF).

On January 13, 2016, ETF launched a new rulemaking effort by submitting a scope statement to the Governor for approval. That scope statement was approved on January 27, 2016. ETF then drafted the rule and recently sent it to the Legislative Reference Bureau for informal editing. The next step will be submitting it to the Legislative Clearinghouse for review.

The objective of this rule is to make technical updates to existing ETF rules, delete obsolete language in ETF rules, create consistency with provisions in 2015 Wisconsin Act 55, and make other minor substantive changes. The changes include modifying the eligibility requirements for Income Continuation Insurance for employees of local units of government to make the requirements consistent with changes made in 2015 Wisconsin Act 55 for state employees, making minor changes to the definition of “dependent” for purposes of life insurance offered to state employees, and making minor administrative changes. The rule will eventually require the approval of the Group Insurance Board.

Staff will be available at the Board meeting to answer questions.

Reviewed and approved by Robert J. Conlin, Secretary

Electronically Signed 5/5/16

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