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Correspondence Memorandum

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To: Employee Trust Funds Board
 Teachers Retirement Board
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From: Jim Guidry, Benefit Services Bureau Director
 Division of Benefits Administration

Subject: Disability Programs and Quarterly Statistics Update: January–March 2024

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

Attached is the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) 2024 First Quarter Disability Programs Update for the period January–March 2024. The report provides quarterly data on benefit payments, the number of annuities started, options selected, gender, determination, age, and disability type. It should be noted that the number of annuitants and claimants have stayed relatively stable for the Disability Retirement (40.63) and Duty Disability programs. Long Term Disability Insurance claimants continue to decline as expected, due to the closure of this benefit in 2018.

This report does not include quarterly Income Continuation Insurance (ICI) program statistics, which is overseen by the Group Insurance Board. Annual ICI data is provided to the Employee Trust Funds Board (Board) in the “Disability Programs Annual Statistics Update” presented in March ([Ref. ETF | 03.28.24 | 6C](#)).

We appreciate any feedback or suggestions you may offer for future inclusion in this report. Please contact Jim Guidry at (608) 266-5387 or jim.guidry@etf.wi.gov if you have comments or questions.

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

Attachment A: [2024 First Quarter Disability Programs Update](#)

Reviewed and approved by Anne Boudreau, Deputy Administrator, Division of Benefits Administration
 Electronically Signed 06/04/2024

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