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- To: Wisconsin Retirement Board
- From: Pam Henning, Assistant Deputy Secretary Office of the Secretary
- **Subject:** Appointment of Wisconsin Retirement Board Representative to the State of Wisconsin Investment Board

The Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF) recommends the Wisconsin Retirement Board (Board) name its appointee to the State of Wisconsin Investment Board (SWIB).

On May 1, 2025, Secretary Voelker's term on SWIB will expire. Secretary Voelker has served as the WR Board appointee since May 1, 2019, and is a member of the Audit and Finance Committee and the Strategic Planning and Corporate Governance Committee. He is interested in continuing his role as a SWIB trustee.

Section 15.76 (3) of the Wisconsin Statutes requires the WR Board to appoint one individual to SWIB. The individual must be a participant in the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) and may not be a teacher. The appointment is for a six-year term. Traditionally, the WR Board has designated the Secretary of ETF as its appointee to SWIB. By appointing the ETF Secretary, the Board helps ensure that SWIB is fully apprised of the interests of WRS participants and issues concerning the benefit programs available to WRS participants.

The Board may choose to reappoint Secretary Voelker or consider another WRS participant who is not a teacher for the position.

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

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