Agency: Department of Retirement Systems

Effective date of rule:
   Permanent Rules
   ☒ 31 days after filing.
   ☐ Other (specify) ______ (If less than 31 days after filing, a specific finding under RCW 34.05.380(3) is required and should be stated below)

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?
   ☐ Yes   ☒ No   If Yes, explain:

Purpose: To clarify how any remaining contributions and prorated monthly benefit will be distributed following a member’s death, if there is no ongoing survivor benefit.

Citation of rules affected by this order:
   New: WAC 415-02-260 What happens to my monthly retirement benefit when I die?
   Repealed: WAC 415-112-715 Who gets the balance of my monthly retirement allowance if I die partway through a month?
   Amended:  
   Suspended:  

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 41.50.050

Other authority:

PERMANENT RULE (Including Expedited Rule Making)
   Adopted under notice filed as WSR 21-07-143 on March 24, 2021 (date).
   Describe any changes other than editing from proposed to adopted version: No changes, the text being adopted is identical to the text as proposed.

If a preliminary cost-benefit analysis was prepared under RCW 34.05.328, a final cost-benefit analysis is available by contacting:

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**Date Adopted:** April 28, 2021

**Name:** Tracy Guerin

**Title:** Director

**Signature:**

[Signature]
WAC 415-02-260  What happens to my monthly retirement benefit when I die?  If a survivor benefit will not be paid on your account, a prorated portion of your defined benefit for the month of your death will be paid to your estate. Any contributions that have not been paid in retirement benefits will be paid to your beneficiary. If your named beneficiaries have all predeceased you, remaining contributions will be paid to your estate. Amounts you owe the department, if any, will be subtracted from your account prior to payments being made to your beneficiary or estate.
REPEALER

The following section of the Washington Administrative Code is repealed:

WAC 415-112-715 Who gets the balance of my monthly retirement allowance if I die partway through a month?