



Official 2023 Mississippi Elections Survey on State Retirement

The Mississippi Retired Public Employees' Association (MRPEA) represents current employees and approximately **325,000 retirees and their families** of the Public Employment Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS). As a candidate for elective office this year, we are providing you with an opportunity to respond to this brief survey.

Please email or mail your completed and signed survey to MRPEA **no later than June 10, 2023** to info@mrpea.org or **MRPEA, PO Box 5580, Brandon, MS 39047**. Question can be directed to (601) 919-0670.

MRPEA will distribute the results of this survey to its members and other interested parties as it deems appropriate. Non-responses to the survey or individual survey questions will also be distributed. Thank you for your interest in serving the public in elective office as well as PERS, MRPEA and the dedicated public servants they represent.

1. Do you philosophically support defined benefit plans v. converting to a 401-K plan?

Yes: _____ No: _____

2. If elected, will you support the State maintaining the current retirement system benefits including the Cost-of-Living-Adjustment (COLA)?

Yes: _____ No: _____

3. Do you believe that benefits should ever be reduced for:

Existing Retirees?	Yes: _____	No: _____
Current Employees?	Yes: _____	No: _____
Future Employees?	Yes: _____	No: _____

4. Do you support adjusting employer contribution rates in accordance with the recommendation of the actuary and state law should that become necessary in the future to maintain the fiscal solvency of the system?

Yes: _____ No: _____

CANDIDATE AUTHORIZATION

My signature affirms that the answers given above accurately represent my beliefs as a candidate for political office in the State of Mississippi in the 2023 Election.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Print Name: _____ Office Sought: _____ District: _____

Mississippi Retired Public Employees' Association is a 501(c)4 organization that works to protect the financial security and benefits of PERS for current and future retirees.