

RETIRED JUDGE ELECTION FORM

INSTRUCTIONS & DEADLINE FOR ELECTION – Use this form to elect the State Plan coverage you would like upon retiring from the State of Montana as a judge.

- This form and payment **must be postmarked or returned within 90 days of the date your judicial service ends** to: Health Care & Benefits Division (HCBD), PO Box 200130, Helena, MT 59620-0130.
- See the Retirement Health Benefits Planning Book for full details about your State Plan benefit options in retirement. Please be aware, that Retired Judges and their eligible spouse/domestic partner and/or dependent(s) have specific eligibility rules that are different than regular State Plan Retirees. Please refer to the current Summary Plan Document (SPD), <http://benefits.mt.gov/Publications>, for an outline of State Plan eligibility requirements.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Snowbirds: If you plan to live somewhere other than this address for part of the year, be sure to let HCBD know!

EMPLOYEE ID# _____ LAST NAME _____ FIRST NAME _____ MI _____

SOCIAL SECURITY # ____ - ____ - _____ RETIREMENT DATE _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ EMAIL _____

OPTION TO TERMINATE BENEFITS – You may find it beneficial to consider switching from the State Plan to a plan available on the Health Insurance Marketplace. Please be aware, as of January 1, 2017, the State Plan is eliminating Retreat Rights, so if you elect to terminate your State Plan coverage, you WILL NOT have an opportunity to reenroll at a future date.

- I would like to terminate my State Plan coverage effective ____ (Month/Year).

RETIRED JUDGE COVERAGE ELECTION – The Previous Coverage box reflects the types of coverage you and any covered dependents had at the time you terminated from the State Plan. Please complete the Coverage to Continue box and indicate the coverage you wish to elect for Retiree coverage, you may only elect to continue the coverage that was in effect when your active judicial service ended. Cross out a member’s name if you do not want him/her to continue coverage.

- Retired Judges on the State Plan must be enrolled in Medical, Dental, and Basic Life Insurance.
- You and/or dependent(s) must be enrolled in the Medical Plan to be eligible for Vision Hardware coverage. All dependents enrolled on the Medical Plan will have Vision Hardware coverage.
- Please refer to the current Summary Plan Document (SPD), <http://benefits.mt.gov/Publications>, for an outline of the State Plan eligibility requirements.

Previous Coverage (M for Medical, D for Dental, V for Vision Hardware)	Name	Coverage to Continue (Circle M for Medical, D for Dental, V for Vision Hardware)	Birthdate	Relationship
		M D V		Retiree
		M D V		
		M D V		
		M D V		
		M D V		

RETIRED JUDGE’S MEDICARE STATUS – If the Retired Judge is eligible for Medicare, the Retired Judge is not eligible for Retiree coverage. However, the Retired Judge’s covered spouse may be eligible for Survivor Coverage and should contact HCBD for appropriate enrollment materials.

- Retired Judge is Medicare eligible and is not eligible for Retiree coverage.

RETIRED JUDGE’S COVERAGE STATUS – If the Retired Judge has equivalent coverage with substantially the same or greater benefits at an equivalent cost, the Retired Judge is not eligible for Retiree coverage.

- Retired Judge is not eligible for Retiree coverage based upon the coverage status information outlined above.

METHOD OF PAYMENT – Select one of the payment methods below.

- Monthly deductions from MPERA benefit.
- Monthly self-payment to Health Care & Benefits by check and coupon.
- Electronic deduction from checking or savings. You will need to complete the Electronic Benefits Payment Deduction Authorization Form to activate this option.

SIGNATURE

I hereby elect to continue the coverage selected above with the State of Montana Group Benefit Plan (State Plan). This coverage will remain in effect unless I change my coverage election, my dependents lose eligibility or I fail to pay the required payments by the due date. If I wish to cancel, I must submit my request in writing. I understand that payments may be adjusted for any future increases or decreases in the cost of the coverage(s) I have selected.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



Language Assistance – General Taglines

State of Montana is required by federal law to provide the following information.

- **ظة:** إذا كنت تتحدث اذكر اللغة، فإن خدمات المساعدة اللغوية تتوافر لك ابلمجان. اتصل برقم 1063-999-855 (رقم 1-855-999-1062) مكبهاتف اصلم والحولم
- **注意:** 如果您使用繁體中文，您可以免費獲得語言援助服務。請致電 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063)
- **ATTENTION:** If you speak English, language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. Call 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).
- **ATANSYON:** Si w pale Kreyòl Ayisyen, gen sèvis èd pou lang ki disponib gratis pou ou. Rele 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).
- **ATTENTION:** Si vous parlez français, des services d'aide linguistique vous sont proposés gratuitement. Appelez le 1-855-999-1062 (ATS: 1-855-999-1063).
- **ACHTUNG:** Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlos sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zur Verfügung. Rufnummer: 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).
- **ATTENZIONE:** In caso la lingua parlata sia l'italiano, sono disponibili servizi di assistenza linguistica gratuiti. Chiamare il numero 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).
- **注意事項:** 日本語を話される場合、無料の言語支援をご利用いただけます。1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063) まで、お電話にてご連絡ください。
- **주의:** 한국어를 사용하시는 경우, 언어 지원 서비스를 무료로 이용하실 수 있습니다. 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063) 번으로 전화해 주십시오.
- **UWAGA:** Jeżeli mówisz po polsku, możesz skorzystać z bezpłatnej pomocy językowej. Zadzwoń pod numer 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).
- **ATENÇÃO:** Se fala português, encontram-se disponíveis serviços linguísticos, grátis. Ligue para 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).
- **ВНИМАНИЕ:** Если вы говорите на русском языке, то вам доступны бесплатные услуги перевода. Звоните 1-855-999-1062 (телетайп: 1-855-999-1063).
- **ATENCIÓN:** si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).
- **PAUNAWA:** Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, maaari kang gumamit ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad. Tumawag sa 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).
- **CHÚ Ý:** Nếu bạn nói Tiếng Việt, có các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí dành cho bạn. Gọi số 1-855-999-1062 (TTY: 1-855-999-1063).

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You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201, 1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

HCBDB USE ONLY	MPERA USE ONLY
Retiree Coverage Effective: _____	MPERA Deduction to Begin: _____
Total Payment Due: _____	Retirement Number: _____
Discount: _____	Date Processed: _____
Authorized by: _____	Authorized by: _____

