

Contribution Rate Setting Overview

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Issue

The Board may adopt contribution rates for the 2025 - 2027 and 2027 - 2029 biennia

Rate-setting process

- OSA performs actuarial valuations in odd-numbered years
- Results inform contribution rates for upcoming biennia
- OSA will present contribution rates to the Board at the June meeting
- Milliman is auditing OSA's work and presenting results to the Board in July
- Board may adopt new contribution rates in July

Current Contribution Rates

- Current Contribution Rates
 - Member = 8.53%
 - Employer = 5.12%
 - State = 3.41%
- The Board adopted rates for 2023 2025 and 2025 2027 biennia under 4-year rate adoption in July 2022
- Included language during adoption to reassess 2025 2027 contribution rates based on results of 2023 Actuarial Valuation Report

LEOFF 2 Funding Policies

- The Board sets policies to assist meeting funding goal of stable contribution rates
- 4-year Rate Adoption
 - Adopted rates may still be updated with each new rate-setting valuation
- Minimum Rate Funding Policy
 - Board adopted minimum rate policy: 90% or 100% of Normal Cost, based on plan funded status
 - Applies if minimum rate is higher than the Aggregate Rate
 - Calculated from Normal Cost of Entry Age Normal Cost (EANC) method
 - Benefit Enhancement legislation changed minimum rate policy

Benefit Enhancement (SHB 1701)

- Rates frozen through 2023 2025 biennium
- Created an Offset Rate applied to 90%/100% Minimum Rate Tiers
- Put Board's minimum rate funding policy into law
- Created a new step down in minimum rate policy

Minimum Rate Funding Policy	
Funded Ratio (FR)	Minimum Rate*
1. FR less than 105%	100% EANC - Offset Rate
2. FR at least 105% but less than 110%	90% EANC - Offset Rate
3. FR at least 110%	80% EANC
*EANC is the Normal Cost under the Entry Age Normal cost method.	

Next Steps

- OSA will present results of the actuarial valuation (June)
- Milliman will present results of audit of OSA actuarial valuation (July)
- Board adopts contribution rates for the upcoming biennia (2025 2027 and 2027 - 2029) (July)



Thank You

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