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Date: March 1, 2022

Re: 2021 – 2022 Disability Report pursuant to ORC Section 145.351

The following is a summary of the 2021-2022 Ohio Public Employees Retirement System Disability Activity Report as required by Section 145.351 of the Ohio Revised Code. Attached is a detailed disability experience report for each employer.

Disability Summary Year 2021

Employer Group/ Classification Type	Year Start (In Process)	Submitted	Granted	Denied	Canceled	Year End (In Process)	Percent of Disability Recipients to Active Members
STATE	101	269	156	9	106	99	7.44%
LOCAL	146	432	246	17	140	175	5.29%
LAW/Public Safety	18	49	32	0	16	19	19.68%
Total	265	750	434	26	262	293	6.41%

Experience Versus Annual Actuarial Assumption

Employer Group/ Classification Type	2021 Percent Granted to Active Members (actual %)	2021 Granted to Active Members (actual #)	Most Recent Annual Actuarial Disability Assumption (as %/#)
STATE	0.16%	156	0.37% (382)
LOCAL	0.13%	246	0.32% (584)
LAW/Public Safety	0.39%	32	0.83% (67)
Total	0.15%	434	0.35% (1,033)

5-Year Summary of Percent Granted to Active Members (%/actual #)

Employer Group/ Classification		*2017		*2018		*2019		2020		2021		5-Year Average	
		%	actual #	%	actual #	%	actual #	%	actual #	%	actual #	%	actual #
*NON-LAW	State	0.12%	403	0.11%	334	0.18%	174	0.15%	155	0.16%	156	0.14%	419
	Local					0.17%	338	0.16%	289	0.13%	246		
LAW/Public Safety		0.33%	31	0.33%	31	0.46%	38	0.43%	36	0.39%	32	0.39%	34
Total		0.12%	434	0.12%	365	0.18%	550	0.16%	480	0.15%	434	0.15%	453

*NON-LAW is comprised of both State and Local data for years 2017 and 2018. The employer classification was split in 2019.

Common Disabilities

Condition (recipient may have multiple conditions)	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	5-Year Total	Percent
Musculoskeletal	269 (31%)	266 (28%)	237 (28%)	202 (32%)	149 (28%)	1,123	29%
Psychiatric	128 (15%)	148 (16%)	114 (14%)	101 (16%)	99 (19%)	590	16%
Neurological	91 (10%)	91 (10%)	92 (11%)	76 (12%)	59 (11%)	409	11%
Cardiovascular	81 (9%)	94 (10%)	104 (12%)	74 (12%)	75 (14%)	428	11%
Oncologic	88 (10%)	80 (8%)	86 (10%)	73 (12%)	66 (13%)	393	10%
Other*	216 (25%)	264 (28%)	214 (25%)	99 (16%)	81 (15%)	874	23%
Total	873	943	847	625	529	3,817	100%

* Other includes pulmonary, gastrointestinal, eye, ear, nose, and throat, endocrine, renal, hematologic, infectious disease, and sleep disorders.