Sec. 742.351. (A) On receipt of written notice of a member's election to retire under division (C) of section 742.37 of the Revised Code or to terminate active service as described in division (B) of section 742.444 of the Revised Code, the Ohio police and fire pension fund shall request from the employer verification of the member's termination date and any other information the fund determines necessary to calculate and pay a pension under that division (C) of section 742.37 of the Revised Code. The request shall be on a form created by the fund and specify the date by which the information must be received by the fund, which shall be sixty days after the form is sent by the fund.

- (B)(1) On receipt of a request for information under division (A) of this section, the employer shall complete the form and return it to the fund not later than the date specified by the fund.
- (2) If the fund does not receive the completed form by the specified date, the fund shall send notice by certified mail to the employer that unless the completed form is received not later than thirty days after the specified date a penalty will be imposed.
- (C) The fund shall assess against an employer that fails to return the completed form by the end of the period described in division (B)(2) of this section a penalty determined under section 742.353 of the Revised Code.
- (D) The fund shall make one or more monthly payments to a member whose pension does not commence by the ninety-first day after the fund sends a request for information under division (A) of this section due to the employer's failure to return the completed form required under this section. Payment under this division shall commence on the first day of the second month following a month

that includes a day for which an assessment against the employer is required under division (C) of this section. The payment shall be an amount equal to the penalty assessed under division (C) of this section less any administrative costs incurred by the fund in complying with this section. Payment shall continue on a monthly basis until the member receives the total amount attributable to the required penalty for an employer's failure to return the form that was requested for that member's information.

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