



Manage your retirement account in Member Access

Want to know how much service credit you have with your retirement system? You have a 365/24/7 connection to this information with Member Access. Start by signing in at online.retirement.sc.gov. You can then:

- **Review your service credit.** Along with age, service credit determines whether you are eligible for retirement.
- **Create benefit estimates.** The estimates use your retirement account information, a potential average final compensation, and a selected retirement date.
- **Manage service credit purchases.** You can calculate an unofficial cost estimate to buy service credit. You can also submit a service purchase request.
- **Submit a service retirement application.** Apply for retirement up to six months before your retirement date. You can also view the status of your application.
- **Change your State Optional Retirement Program service provider, if applicable.** Changes can be made during annual open enrollment, which occurs January 1 to March 1.
- **Update your contact information.** This helps PEBA keep in touch with you now and in retirement. You can expect occasional emails

about important issues or operational changes.

- **Review your beneficiary information.**
 - Primary beneficiaries receive any retirement benefits payable upon your death.
 - Contingent beneficiaries may receive benefits if you die while still in service and all of your primary beneficiaries die before you.
 - Incidental death benefit beneficiaries receive the incidental death benefit payable upon your death, if you were eligible.
- **Review your account balance.** The balance does not affect the calculation of your monthly retirement benefit, but may be payable as a death benefit to your beneficiaries. The balance also reflects the amount payable if you terminate employment and take a refund of your contributions.
- **Request a refund.** Taxes are applicable to your account balance if you request a refund.

Inactive members can review their account balance and update their contact information. You are an inactive member if you are not working and contributing to your account and have not retired.

Questions?

Call PEBA's Customer Contact Center at 803.737.6800 or 888.260.9430.