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PAYROLL LETTER #23-007

TO: All Agencies/Campuses in the Uniform State Payroll System

FROM: Jil Barraza, Chief
Personnel and Payroll Services Division**RE: 1959 SURVIVOR BENEFIT PROGRAM, 5TH LEVEL DEDUCTION**

This letter announces an increase in the 1959 Survivor Benefit Program, 5th Level employee deduction amount from \$5.60 per month to \$6.35 per month effective with the July 2023 pay period. The amount was approved by the CalPERS Board of Administration for fiscal year 2023/2024 and authorized by the California Department of Human Resources and the California State University Chancellor's Office.

The deduction codes 077 and 078 identify Survivors Benefit in the payroll system. The deduction code 077 amount is \$2.00 and the deduction code 078 amount is \$4.35. The Civil Service employees impacted by the rate change include all eligible rank and file employees as well as those excluded from collective bargaining. California State University employees impacted are those excluded from collective bargaining. No action from agencies or campuses is necessary to implement this change. The Personnel and Payroll Services Division implemented the rate change to deduction code 078, by increasing it from \$3.60 to \$4.35, effective July 1, 2023.

For further information, please reference [CalPERS Circular Letter 200-029-23](#) dated June 9, 2023. If you have further questions concerning this letter, please contact the Customer Contact Center at (916) 372-7200.

For additional questions regarding this letter, please use the following contact information:

Contacts:

- CalSTRS Contact Center (800) 228-5453 or (916) 414-1099 or [Contact us - CalSTRS](#)
- Affordable Care Act (ACA) Email acasupport@sco.ca.gov
- [Cal Employee Connect \(CEC\) - Help and Feedback](#)
- [ConnectHR - Help and Feedback](#)
- California Leave Accounting System (CLAS) Email Clas@sco.ca.gov
- CS Escalation Email (HR Supervisors and Managers) PPSDOps@sco.ca.gov
- Decentralized Security & ViewDirect Access - (916) 619-7234 or DSA@sco.ca.gov
- HR Suggestions Email (All HR Staff) PPSDHRSuggestions@sco.ca.gov
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- [Statewide Customer Contact Center](#) (916) 372-7200

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- [Cal Employee Connect Project](#)
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