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COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

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The Honorable Diego T. Benavente Speaker House of Representatives Ninth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature Saipan, MP 96950 RECEIVED

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Dear Mr. Acting Senate President and Mr. Speaker:

This is to inform you that I have approved **H.B.** 9-78, H.D. 1, "To amend 1 CMC, Division 8, Section 8356(a) to provide refund of contribution for Class 1 members and for other purposes."

The old rule **on** vesting was a deterrent *io* many professionals who wanted to live and work in the Commonwealth for more than three years. They were faced with the prospect of forced vesting, whether they wanted it or not, and many decided to withdraw their money and leave island rather than vest.

I am pleased to have this law amended at last. This bill becomes law as Public Law No. 9-45.

Sincerely,

FROILAN C. TENORIO

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTHLEGISLATURE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION, 1994

PUBLIC LAW NO. 9-45 HOUSE BILL NO. 9-78. H.D.1

AN ACT

To amend 1 CMC, Division 8, Section 8356 (a) to provide refund of contribution for Class 1 members and for other purposes.

Offered by Representatives: Pete P. Reyes, Jesus T. Attao, Oscar M. Babauta and Manuel A. Tenorio

Date: February 17, 1994

HOUSE ACTION

Referred to: Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations

Standing Committee Report No. 9-28

First and Final Reading: May 3, 1994

SENATE ACTION

Referredto: Committee on Judiciary, Government and Law

Standing Committee Report: None

First Reading: May 6,1994

Second and Final Reading: June 28, 1995

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PUBLIC LAW **NO.** 9–45 H. B. NO. 9-78: H.D.1

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE NINTH NORTHERN MARIANAS COMMONWEALTH LEGISLATURE:

Section 1. Section **8356** (a) is hereby repealed in its entirety and is reenacted to read as follows;

"(a) Upon complete separation from service before a Class 1 member shall have completed ten years of contributing membership service, the Class 1 member shall receive a refund of his or her total contributions, including regular interest. Except as provide in other sections of this part, no refund of any contributions shall be permitted for Class 1 members after completion of ten years of contributing membership service."

Section 2. <u>Severability</u>. If any provision of this Act or the application of any such provision to any person er circumstance should be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder ef this Act or the application of its provisions to persons or circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be affected thereby.

Section 3. <u>Savings Clause</u>. This Act and any repealer contained herein shall not be construed as affecting any existing right acquired under contract or acquired under statutes repealed or under any rule, regulation or order adopted under the statutes. Repealers contained in this Act shall not affect any proceeding instituted under or pursuant to prior law. The enactment of this Act

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shall not have the affect of terminating, or in any way modifying, any liability civil or criminal, which shall already be in existence at the date this Act becomes effective.

Section **4.** Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

CERTIFIED BY:

ATTESTED BY:

DIEGO T. BENAVENTE

Speaker

House of Representatives

EVELYN C. FLEMING House Clerk

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The Honorable Froilan C. Tenorio Governor Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Office of the Governor Capitol Hill Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Governor Tenorio:

I have the honor to transmit House Bill No. 9-78, H.D.l, entitled, "An Act to amend 1 CMC, Division 8, Section 8356 (a) to provide refund of contribution of Class 1 members and for other purposes.", which was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Ninth Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature.

Sincerely,

Evelyn C. Fleming House Clerk

Attachment