



CHAPTER 120
ARTICLE 1A - LEGISLATIVE RETIREMENT SYSTEM

N.C.G.S. § 120-4.26A.

Benefits on death after retirement.

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§ 120-4.26A(a) If a retired member dies while in receipt of a retirement allowance under the provisions of this Article, a lump sum death benefit shall be paid to the beneficiary that the retiree designated by electronic submission in a form approved by the Board of Trustees or by written designation duly acknowledged and filed with the Board of Trustees. If no beneficiary or beneficiaries are designated or are living at the time of the retiree's death, then the lump sum death benefit shall be paid to the retiree's legal representative. The lump sum death benefit payable under this subsection is equal to the excess, if any, of the accumulated contributions of the retiree at the date of retirement over the total of the retirement allowances paid prior to the death of the retiree.

§ 120-4.26A(b) If a retirement allowance that became payable to the designated survivor of a retired member under the provisions of G.S. 120-4.26 terminates upon the death of the survivor before the total of the retirement allowances paid to the retiree and the designated survivor combined equals the amount of the accumulated contributions of the retiree at the date of retirement, then the excess of those accumulated contributions over the total of the retirement allowances paid to the retiree and the survivor combined shall be paid in a lump sum to the beneficiary that the retiree designated by electronic submission in a form approved by the Board of Trustees or by written designation duly acknowledged and filed with the Board of Trustees. If no beneficiary is designated or living at the time the lump sum payment becomes due under this subsection, then the payment shall be made to the retiree's legal representative.

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APPARATUS I
3 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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01	1993	c. 321, s. 74.1(b)		ENACTED	
02	2009	S.L. 2009-66, s. 11(l)		AMENDED	
03	2025	S.L. 2025-11, s. 8(c)		AMENDED	

APPARATUS II
1 AUTHORITY

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 120-4.26	(b)	"retired member under the provisions of"

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 120-4.26A (2025).

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