TITLE 590. OKLAHOMA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM CHAPTER 15. UNIFORM RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR JUSTICES AND JUDGES

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

A. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PURPOSE OF PROPOSED RULES:

The amendment to 590:15-1-2 places the Board of Trustee's long-standing policy for allocating expenses for the Uniform Retirement System for Justices and Judges into the permanent rules. The rule is necessary to codify the policy of keeping plan assets and expenses separate as required for a governmental retirement plan under the Internal Revenue Code.

The amendment to 590:15-1-12 permits nontaxable distributions from a qualified plan to be directly rolled over tax-free to either another qualified plan or a 403(b) plan if separate accounting requirements are met.

The amendment to 590:15-1-18 corrects a citation to the Internal Revenue Code which relates to the treatment of differential wage payments received by a person while performing qualified military service.

B. CLASS OF PERSONS AFFECTED:

Members and their beneficiaries of the Uniform Retirement System for Justices and Judges are expected to be positively affected by these proposed rules because these rules make certain that the System will be in compliance with federal tax laws and that the System will maintain its status as a qualified government pension plan.

C. CLASS OF PERSONS BENEFITED:

See item "B" above.

D. DESCRIPTION OF ECONOMIC IMPACT:

These proposed rules will provide for a more uniform and efficient management of the agency in compliance with statutory provisions and federal regulations governing the qualified status of the retirement system which should have a positive economic impact.

E. COST TO AGENCY AND EFFECT ON STATE REVENUE:

No additional cost is expected to be incurred by this or any other state agency as a result of these proposed rules. The rules reflect or clarify existing state and federal statutory or

administrative requirements and, therefore, there is no anticipated effect on state revenues associated with these rules.

F. ECONOMIC IMPACT ON POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS:

There is no anticipated economic impact on any political subdivisions as a result of these rules. The rules reflect or clarify existing state and federal statutory or administrative requirements and, therefore, there is no anticipated effect on political subdivision revenues associated with these rules.

G. EFFECT ON SMALL BUSINESS:

None.

H. LESS COSTLY OR INTRUSIVE METHODS:

None.

I. EFFECT ON PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT:

None.

J. DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT:

None.

K. DATE RULE IMPACT STATEMENT PREPARED:

December 30, 2011.