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PURSUANT TO SECTION 50 of Chapter 7 of the General Laws, the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (PERAC) is promulgating regulations relating to the use of Electronic Signatures (840 CMR 28.00) by PERAC and the 104 Retirement Boards. The Commission hereby provides notice of a public comment period regarding the Commission's proposed new regulations. Remote hearing regarding the proposal will be held Wednesday, January 7, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Directions to access the hearings can be located at PERAC's website http://www.mass.gov/perac. The Commission will accept written comments through January 9, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. Comments may be sent to PERAC, 10 Cabot Road, Suite 300, Medford, MA 02155 or electronically by email to Doreen.m.duane@mass.gov. Copies of the draft regulations may be obtained by contacting Doreen at 617-666-4446 ext. 954 or Doreen.m.duane@mass.gov.





November 13, 2025

Secretary William Galvin
Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth
State Publications and Regulations Division
State House, Room 117
Boston, MA 02133

Dear Secretary Galvin:

This statement, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A §§ 2 and 5, accompanies the filing by the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission of a proposed amended regulation, 840 CMR 28.00 Electronic Signatures.

The Commission has determined that the regulations do not have an impact on small businesses as the regulations relate only to public employee retirement systems in Massachusetts. There will be no costs to small businesses as they are not subject to these regulations. This regulation does not set performance or design standards for small businesses as the regulation only relates to public retirement systems and permits the use of electronic witness signatures. The regulations do not conflict with any other regulations. These regulations do not regulate private businesses and therefore will not deter or encourage small business formation.

Please direct any inquiries regarding this regulation to the Commission's Assistant Deputy Director, Patrick M. Charles, (617) 666-4446, Ext 914. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

William T. Keefe

**Executive Director** 

**Enclosures** 

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