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1	[Charter Amendment - Forfeiture of Pension Benefits]
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3	Describing and setting forth a proposal to the voters at an election to be held on November
4	8, 2022, to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to provide for
5	forfeiture of the pension of a member of the San Francisco Employees' Retirement System
6	upon a finding by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing that the
7	member committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's
8	duties as a City employee or officer.
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10	Section 1. The Board of Supervisors hereby submits to the qualified voters of the City
11	and County, at an election to be held on November 8, 2022, a proposal to amend the Charter of
12	the City and County by adding Section A8.585-17, and revising Sections A8.509, A8.584-13,
13	A8.586-16, A8.587-14, A8.588-16, A8.597-16, A8.598-16, A8.600-14, A8.601-16, A8.602-16,
14	A8.603-10, A8.604-13, A8.605-13, A8.606-15, A8.607-15, A8.608-13, A8.609-15, A8.610-13,
15	and 12.102, to read as follows:
16	NOTE: <b>Unchanged Charter text and uncodified text</b> are in plain font.
17	Additions are <u>single-underline italics Times New Roman font</u> . Deletions are <del>strike-through italics Times New Roman font</del> .
18	Asterisks (* * * *) indicate the omission of unchanged Charter subsections.
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20	A8.509 RETIREMENT – MISCELLANEOUS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES ON AND
21	AFTER JULY 1, 1947
22	* * * *
23	(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subdivisions (b), (c), (f), and (i) of this Section
24	A8.509, any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude, committed in
25	connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County

of San Francisco, or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative 1 2 hearing to have committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's 3 duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the community 4 college district, or the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, shall, upon his or her the member's removal from office or employment pursuant to the provisions of this Charter, 5 6 forfeit all rights to any benefits under the Retirement System except refund of *his or her the* 7 *member's* accumulated contributions; provided, however, that if such member is qualified for 8 service retirement by reason of service and age under the provisions of Subdivision (b) of this 9 Section, *he or she the member* shall have the right to elect, without right of revocation and within 10 90 days after *his or her the member's* removal from office or employment, whether to withdraw 11 all of *his or her the member's* accumulated contributions or to receive as *his or her the member's* sole benefit under the Retirement System, an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of 12 his or her the member's accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or 13 14 employment. The Retirement System, upon notice by any City department that a member is alleged to have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's 15 duties or on its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding 16 17 described in this subsection (1). \* \* \* \* 18 19 **A8.584 RETIREMENT – MISCELLANEOUS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES AFTER** 20 21 **NOVEMBER 1, 1976** \* \* \* \* 22 **A8.584-13 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE** 23 (a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in 24 25 connection with *his or her the member's* duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,

the school district, the college district, or the Superior Court of California, County of San 1 2 Francisco, or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to 3 have committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an 4 officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the community college district, or the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits 5 6 under the Retirement System except refund of his or her the member's accumulated 7 contributions:; provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by 8 reason of service and age under the provisions of Section A8.584-2, he or she the member shall 9 have the right to elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after his or her the 10 member's removal from office or employment, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit 11 under the Retirement System, an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of *his or her the member's* accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment. 12 (b) Any member, after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting 13 14 allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude, in connection with *his or her* the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the 15 community college district, or the Superior Court of California, County) of San Francisco, or 16 17 who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have 18 committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an 19 officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the community college district, or the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, shall forfeit all rights to any further 20 21 benefit from the Retirement System and the Retirement System shall immediately cease all 22 future payments to such member; provided, however, that if, at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member has remaining accumulated contributions, then such 23 member shall have the right to elect, without right of revocation and within 30 days after his or 24 *her* the member's conviction or the adverse administrative finding, to receive as his or her the 25

1	<u>member's</u> sole benefit under the Retirement System an annuity which shall be the actuarial
2	equivalent of <i>his or her the member's</i> accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the
3	conviction or the adverse administrative finding.
4	(c) The Retirement System, upon notice by any City department that a member is alleged
5	to have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or
6	on its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding described
7	in subsections (a) and (b).
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9	A8.585 MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 1975
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11	A8.585-17 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE
12	(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in
13	connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is
14	found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a
15	crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or
16	employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the Retirement
17	System except refund of the member's accumulated contributions: provided, however that if such
18	member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service and age under the provisions of
19	Section A8.585-2, the member shall have the right to elect, without right of revocation and within
20	90 days after the member's removal from office or employment to receive as the member's sole
21	benefit under the Retirement System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of the
22	member's accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment.
23	(b) Any member, after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting
24	allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the
25	member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and Count, or who is found by clear and

1	convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving moral
2	turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and
3	County, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the
4	Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided,
5	however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member
6	has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect,
7	without right of revocation and within 30 days after the member's conviction or the adverse
8	administrative finding, to receive as the member's sole benefit under the Retirement System an
9	annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of the member's accumulated contributions
10	remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding.
11	(c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
12	have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or
13	upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding
14	described in subsections (a) and (b).
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16	A8.586 MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 1976
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18	A8.586-16 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE
19	(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in
20	connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,
21	or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have
22	committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an
23	officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the
24	Retirement System except refund of <i>his or her <u>the member's</u></i> accumulated contributions;
25	provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service

and age under the provisions of Section A8.586-2, *he or she the member* shall have the right to 1 2 elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after his or her the member's removal from 3 office or employment to receive as *his or her the member's* sole benefit under the Retirement 4 System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of *his or her the member's* 5 accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment. (b) Any member, after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting 6 7 allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with *his or her* 8 the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is found by clear 9 and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving 10 moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and 11 *County*, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided, 12 however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member 13 14 has remaining accumulated, contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the 15 adverse administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the 16 17 Retirement System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of *his or her the member's* 18 accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative 19 finding. (c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to 20 21 have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding 22 described in subsections (a) and (b). 23 24 25

# A8.587 RETIREMENT – MISCELLANEOUS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES ON AND AFTER NOVEMBER 7, 2000

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#### 4 A8.587-14 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE

(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in 5 connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, 6 7 the school district, the *community* college district, or the Superior Court of California-, County of 8 San Francisco, or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing 9 to have committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as 10 an officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the community college district, or the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, shall forfeit all rights to any 11 benefits under the Retirement System except refund of his or her the member's accumulated 12 contributions: provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by 13 14 reason of service and age under the provisions of Section A8.587-2, he or she the member shall have the right to elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after his or her the 15 member's removal from office or employment to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit 16 17 under the Retirement System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of *his or her the* 18 member's accumulated, contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment. 19 (b) Any member, after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting 20 allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with *his or her* 21 the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the 22 community college district, or the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a 23 crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or 24

25 *employee of the City and County, the school district, the community college district, or the* 

1	Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, shall forfeit all rights to any further
2	benefit from the Retirement System and the Retirement System shall immediately cease all
3	future payments to such member; provided, however, that if at the time of the conviction or the
4	adverse administrative finding, said member has remaining accumulated contributions, then such
5	member shall have the right to elect, without right of revocation and within 30 days after his or
6	<i>her <u>the member's</u> conviction<u>or the adverse administrative finding</u>, to receive as <i>his or her <u>the</u></i></i>
7	member's sole benefit under the Retirement System an annuity which shall be the actuarial
8	equivalent of his or her the member's accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the
9	conviction or the adverse administrative finding.
10	(c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
11	have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or
12	upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding
13	described in subsections (a) and (b).
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15	A8.588 MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 1976
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17	A8.588-16 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE
18	(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in
19	connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County.
20	or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have
21	committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an
22	officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the
23	Retirement System except refund of <i>his or her the member's</i> accumulated contributions:
24	provided, however that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service

and age under the provisions of Section <u>A</u>8.588-2, *he or she <u>the member</u>* shall have the right to

elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after *his or her the member's* removal from 1 2 office or employment to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement 3 System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of *his or her the member's* 4 accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment. (b) Any member, after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting 5 allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with his or her 6 7 the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is found by clear 8 and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving 9 moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and 10 *County*, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the 11 Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member 12 has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without 13 14 right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement 15 System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's 16 17 accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative 18 finding. 19 (c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to 20 have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or 21 upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding 22 described in subsections (a) and (b). 23 24

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#### A8.597 MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON JANUARY 1, 2003 WHO 1 2 **ARE MEMBERS OF THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNDER CHARTER SECTION** 3 A8.586, AND MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003 \* \* \* \* 4 5 **A8.597-16 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE** (a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in 6 7 connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, 8 or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have 9 committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the 10 11 Retirement System except refund of *his or her the member's* accumulated contributions; provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service 12 and age under the provisions of Section A8.597-2, he or she the member shall have the right to 13 14 elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after *his or her the member's* removal from office or employment to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement 15 System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's 16

17 accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment.

(b) Any member after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting
 allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with *his or her the member's* duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, *or who is found by clear*

21 *and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving* 

22 moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and

23 <u>County</u>, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the

24 Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided

25 however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member

1	has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without
2	right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse
3	administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
4	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
5	accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative
6	finding.
7	(c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
8	have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or
9	upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding
10	described in subsections (a) and (b).
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12	A8.598 MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ON JANUARY 1, 2003 WHO ARE
13	MEMBERS OF THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNDER CHARTER SECTION A8.588,
14	AND MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AFTER JANUARY 1, 2003
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16	A8.598-16 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE
17	(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in
18	connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,
19	or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have
20	committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an
21	officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the
22	Retirement System except refund of his or her the member's accumulated contributions;
23	provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service
24	and age under the provisions of Section <u>A</u> 8.598-2, <i>he or she <u>the member</u></i> shall have the right to
25	elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after his or her the member's removal from

1	office or employment to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
2	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
3	accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment.
4	(b) Any member, after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting
5	allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with his or her
6	the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is found by clear
7	and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving
8	moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and
9	County, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the
10	Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided
11	however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member
12	has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without
13	right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse
14	administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
15	System, an annuity which shall he the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
16	accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative
17	finding.
18	(c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
19	have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or
20	upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding
21	described in subsections (a) and (b).
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23	A8.600 MISCELLANEOUS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES ON AND AFTER JULY 1,
24	2010
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#### A8.600-14 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE

2 (a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in 3 connection with *his or her the member's* duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, 4 the school district, the *community* college district, or the Superior Court of California, City and County of San Francisco, or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an 5 administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with 6 7 the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the 8 community college district, or the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, shall 9 forfeit all rights to any benefits under the Retirement System except refund of *his or her the* 10 *member's* accumulated contributions: provided, however, that if such member is qualified for 11 service retirement by reason of service and age under the provisions of Section A8.600-2, *he-or* she the member shall have the right to elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after 12 his or her the member's removal from office or employment to receive as his or her the 13 14 *member's* sole benefit under the Retirement System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of *his or her the member's* accumulated, contributions at the time of such removal 15 from office or employment. 16 17 (b) Any member, after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting 18 allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with *his or her* 19 the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the 20 *community* college district, or the Superior Court of California, City and County of San 21 Francisco, or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an 22 officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the community college district, or 23 the Superior Court of California, County of San Francisco, shall forfeit all rights to any further 24 25 benefit from the Retirement System and the Retirement System shall immediately cease all

1	future payments to such member; provided however, that if at the time of the conviction or the
2	adverse administrative finding, said member has remaining accumulated contributions, then such
3	member shall have the right to elect, without right of revocation and within 30 days after his or
4	<i>her the member's</i> conviction or the adverse administrative finding, to receive as his or her the
5	member's sole benefit under the Retirement System an annuity which shall be the actuarial
6	equivalent of his or her the member's accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the
7	conviction or the adverse administrative finding.
8	(c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
9	have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or
10	upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding
11	described in subsections (a) and (b).
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13	A8.601 MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 2010
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15	A8.601-16 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE
16	(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in
17	connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,
18	or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have
19	committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an
20	officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the
21	Retirement System except refund of his or her the member's accumulated contributions;
22	provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service
23	and age under the provisions of Section A8.601-2, he or she the member shall have the right to
24	elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after his or her the member's removal from
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accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment.

3 (b) Any member, after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting

4 allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with *his or her* 

5 *the member's* duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, *or who is found by clear* 

6 *and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving* 

7 moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and

8 *County*, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the

9 Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided

10 however, that if at the time of the conviction *or the adverse administrative finding*, said member

11 has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without

12 right of revocation and within 30 days after *his or her the member's* conviction *or the adverse* 

13 <u>administrative finding</u>, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement

14 System, an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of *his or her <u>the member's</u>* 

accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction *or the adverse administrative finding*.

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17 (c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to

18 *have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or* 

19 *upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding* 

- 20 *described in subsections (a) and (b).*
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A8.602 MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON AND AFTER JULY 1, 2010
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A8.602-16 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE

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1	(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in
2	connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,
3	or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have
4	committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an
5	officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the
6	Retirement System except refund of <i>his or her the member's</i> accumulated contributions;
7	provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service
8	and age under the provisions of Section A8.602-2, he or she the member shall have the right to
9	elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after his or her the member's removal from
10	office or employment to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
11	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
12	accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment.
13	(b) Any member after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting
14	allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with his or her
15	the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is found by clear
16	and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving
17	moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and
18	County, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the
19	Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided,
20	however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member
21	has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without
22	right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse
23	administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
24	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
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accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction *or the adverse administrative finding*.

- 3 (c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
   4 <u>have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or</u>
   5 upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding
- 6 *described in subsections (a) and (b).*
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# A8.603 MISCELLANEOUS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES ON AND AFTER JANUARY 7, 2012

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#### 11 A8.603-10 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE

12 (a) Any member <u>who is</u> convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in

13 connection with *his or her <u>the member's</u>* duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,

14 the school district, the *community* college district, or the Superior Court of California, City and

15 County of San Francisco, or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an

16 *administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with* 

17 *the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the* 

18 *college district, or the Superior Court of California, City and County of San Francisco,* shall

19 forfeit all rights to any benefits under the Retirement System except refund of *his or her the* 

20 <u>member's</u> accumulated contributions: provided, however, that if such member is qualified for

- 21 service retirement by reason of service and age under the provisions of Section A8.603, *he or she*
- 22 <u>the member</u> shall have the right to elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after his
- 23 *or her the member's* removal from office or employment to receive as *his or her the member's*
- sole benefit under the Retirement System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of
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*his or her <u>the member's</u>* accumulated, contributions at the time of such removal from office or
 employment.

3 (b) Any member, after retirement for service or disability, or while receiving a vesting 4 allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with *his or her* the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the 5 6 *community* college district, or the Superior Court of California, City and County of San 7 Francisco, or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to 8 have committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an 9 officer or employee of the City and County, the school district, the community college district, or 10 the Superior Court of California, City and County of San Francisco, shall forfeit all rights to any 11 further benefit from the Retirement System and the Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided however, that if at the time of the conviction or 12 the adverse administrative finding, said member has remaining accumulated contributions, then 13 14 such member shall have the right to elect, without right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse administrative finding, to receive as his or her the 15 member's sole benefit under the Retirement System an annuity which shall be the actuarial 16 17 equivalent of his or her the member's accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the 18 conviction or the adverse administrative finding. 19 (c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or 20 21 upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding described in subsections (a) and (b). 22 23 A8.604 MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT ON AND AFTER JANUARY 7, 2012 24

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#### A8.604-13 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE

2	(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in
3	connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,
4	or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have
5	committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an
6	officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the
7	Retirement System except refund of his or her the member's accumulated contributions;
8	provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service
9	and age under the provisions of Section <u>A</u> 8.604-2, <i>he or she <u>the member</u></i> shall have the right to
10	elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after his or her the member's removal from
11	office or employment, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
12	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
13	accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment.
14	(b) Any member, after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting
15	allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with his or her
16	the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is found by clear
17	and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving
18	moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and
19	County, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the
20	Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided,
21	however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member
22	has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without
23	right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse
24	administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
25	System, an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's

1	accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative
2	finding.

- 3 (c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
- 4 <u>have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or</u>
- 5 *upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding*
- 6 *described in subsections (a) and (b).*
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# 8 A8.605 MEMBERS OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ON AND AFTER JANUARY 7, 9 2012

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#### 11 A8.605-13 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE

12 (a) Any member <u>who is</u> convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in

13 connection with *his or her the member's* duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,

14 *or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have* 

15 *committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an* 

16 officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the

- 17 Retirement System except refund of *his or her <u>the member's</u>* accumulated contributions;
- 18 provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service
- 19 and age under the provisions of Section A8.605-2, *he or she the member* shall have the right to
- 20 elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after *his or her the member's* removal from
- 21 office or employment to receive as *his or her the member's* sole benefit under the Retirement
- 22 System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of *his or her the member's*
- 23 accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment.
- 24 (b) Any member after retirement for service or disability, or while receiving a vesting
   25 allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with *his or her*

1	the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is found by clear
2	and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving
3	moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and
4	County, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the
5	Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided
6	however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member
7	has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without
8	right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse
9	administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
10	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
11	accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative
12	finding.
13	(c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
14	have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or
15	upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding
16	described in subsections (a) and (b).
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18	A8.606 UNDERSHERIFFS AND DEPUTIZED PERSONNEL OF THE SHERIFF'S
19	DEPARTMENT BEFORE JULY 1, 2010
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21	A8.606-15 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE
22	(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in
23	connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,
24	or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have
25	committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an

1	officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the
2	Retirement System except refund of his or her the member's accumulated contributions;
3	provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service
4	and age under the provisions of Section A8.606-2, he or she the member shall have the right to
5	elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after his or her the member's removal from
6	office or employment to receive as his or her sole the member's benefit under the Retirement
7	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
8	accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment.
9	(b) Any member after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting
10	allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with his or her
11	the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is found by clear
12	and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving
13	moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and
14	County, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the
15	Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided
16	however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member
17	has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without
18	right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse
19	administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
20	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
21	accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative
22	finding.
23	(c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
24	have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or
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#### 1 *upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding*

#### 2 *described in subsections (a) and (b).*

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# A8.607 UNDERSHERIFFS AND DEPUTIZED PERSONNEL OF THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HIRED AFTER JULY 1, 2010 AND BEFORE JANUARY 7, 2012 \* \* \* \*

#### 7 A8.607-15 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE

8 (a) Any member <u>who is</u> convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in 9 connection with <u>his or her the member's</u> duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, 10 <u>or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have</u> 11 <u>committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an</u> 12 <u>officer or employee of the City and County</u>, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the

13 Retirement System except refund of *his or her <u>the member's</u>* accumulated contributions;

14 provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service

and age under the provisions of Section A8.607-2, *he or she the member* shall have the right to

16 elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after *his or her the member's* removal from

17 office or employment to receive as *his or her <u>the member's</u>* sole benefit under the Retirement

18 System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of *his or her <u>the member's</u>* 

19 accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment.

20 (b) Any member after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting

allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with *his or her* 

22 <u>the member's</u> duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is found by clear

23 *and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving* 

24 *moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and* 

25 <u>*County,*</u> shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the

1	Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided
2	however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member
3	has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without
4	right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse
5	administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
6	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
7	accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative
8	finding.
9	(c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
10	have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or
11	upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding
12	described in subsections (a) and (b).
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14	A8.608 SHERIFF, UNDERSHERIFF AND DEPUTIZED PERSONNEL OF THE
15	SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ASSUMING OFFICE ON AND AFTER JANUARY 7, 2012
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17	A8.608-13 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE
18	(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in
19	connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,
20	or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have
21	committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an
22	officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the
23	Retirement System except refund of his or her the member's accumulated contributions;
24	provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service
25	and age under the provisions of Section A8.608-2, <i>he or she the member</i> shall have the right to

2 office or employment to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement 3 System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of *his or her the member's* 4 accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment. (b) Any member after retirement for service or disability, or while receiving a vesting 5 allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with his or her 6 7 the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is found by clear 8 and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving 9 moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and 10 *County*, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the 11 Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member 12 has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without 13 14 right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement 15 System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's 16 17 accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative 18 finding. 19 (c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or 20 21 upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding 22 described in subsections (a) and (b).

elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after *his or her the member's* removal from

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A8.609 MISCELLANEOUS SAFETY PERSONNEL HIRED BEFORE JANUARY 7,
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2	A8.609-15 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE
3	(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in
4	connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,
5	or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have
6	committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an
7	officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the
8	Retirement System except refund of his or her the member's accumulated contributions;
9	provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service
10	and age under the provisions of Section A8.609-2, he or she the member shall have the right to
11	elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after his or her the member's removal from
12	office or employment to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
13	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
14	accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment.
15	(b) Any member after retirement for service or disability or while receiving a vesting
16	allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with his or her
17	the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is found by clear
18	and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving
19	moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and
20	County, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the
21	Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided
22	however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member
23	has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without
24	right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse
25	administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement

1	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
2	accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative
3	finding.
4	(c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
5	have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or
6	upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding
7	described in subsections (a) and (b).
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9	A8.610 MISCELLANEOUS SAFETY PERSONNEL HIRED ON AND AFTER
10	JANUARY 7, 2012
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12	A8.610-13 FORFEITURE FOR CRIMES INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE
13	(a) Any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in
14	connection with his or her the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County,
15	or who is found by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have
16	committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an
17	officer or employee of the City and County, shall forfeit all rights to any benefits under the
18	Retirement System except refund of <i>his or her <u>the member's</u></i> accumulated contributions;
19	provided, however, that if such member is qualified for service retirement by reason of service
20	and age under the provisions of Section A8.610-2, he or she the member shall have the right to
21	elect, without right of revocation and within 90 days after his or her the member's removal from
22	office or employment to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
23	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
24	accumulated contributions at the time of such removal from office or employment.
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1	(b) Any member after retirement for service or disability, or while receiving a vesting
2	allowance, who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with his or her
3	the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and County, or who is found by clear
4	and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing to have committed a crime involving
5	moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and
6	County, shall forfeit all rights to any further benefit from the Retirement System and the
7	Retirement System shall immediately cease all future payments to such member; provided
8	however, that if at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative finding, said member
9	has remaining accumulated contributions, then such member shall have the right to elect, without
10	right of revocation and within 30 days after his or her the member's conviction or the adverse
11	administrative finding, to receive as his or her the member's sole benefit under the Retirement
12	System an annuity which shall be the actuarial equivalent of his or her the member's
13	accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction or the adverse administrative
14	<u>finding</u> .
15	(c) The Retirement System, upon notice by a City department that a member is alleged to
16	have engaged in a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties or
17	upon its own initiative, is authorized to initiate the administrative forfeiture proceeding
18	described in subsections (a) and (b).
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20	SEC. 12.102. HEARING OFFICER.
21	(a) Any application for retirement or death allowance made pursuant to this Charter or
22	any administrative action to forfeit a member's pension for commission of a crime involving
23	moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee of the City and
24	<u>County</u> shall be heard by a hearing officer employed under contract by the Retirement Board and
25	selected by procedures set forth in its rules, which shall include rules setting forth the

qualifications and selection procedure necessary to appoint a qualified and unbiased hearing
 officer.

- 3 (b) Following public hearing, the hearing officer shall determine, *as applicable*, whether
- 4 such application shall be granted or denied, <u>or whether the Retirement System has proven by</u>
- 5 <u>clear and convincing evidence that a member has committed a crime involving moral turpitude</u>
- 6 *in connection with the member's duties as an officer or employee such that the member's*
- 7 *pension is subject to forfeiture*.
- 8 (c) All expenses related to processing and adjudicating *such*-applications *for retirement*9 *or death allowance* shall be paid from the Trust Fund. *Expenses related to administrative*
- 10 *forfeiture proceedings shall be paid by the City and County.*
- 11 (*d*) At any time within 30 days after the service of the hearing officer's decision, the 12 applicant or any other affected party, including the Retirement System, may petition the hearing 13 officer for a rehearing upon one or more of the following grounds and no other:
- 14 1. That the hearing officer acted without or in excess of the hearing officer's powers;
- 15 2. That the decision was procured by fraud;
- 16 3. That the evidence does not justify the decision; or
- 17 4. That the petitioner has discovered new material evidence which could not, with
- 18 reasonable diligence, have been discovered and produced at the hearing.

19 (e) The decision of the hearing officer shall be final upon <u>either</u> the expiration of 30 days

- 20 after the *decision if there is no petition for rehearing; or, if there is a* petition for rehearing *that*
- 21 is denied, *upon the expiration of 30 days after the denial;* or if the *petition for re*hearing is
- 22 granted, upon the expiration of 30 days after the rendition of the decision on rehearing. Such
- 23 final decision shall not be subject to amendment, modification, or rescission by the Board, but
- shall be subject to review by the Board only for the purpose of determining whether to seek
- 25 judicial review.

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2	APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
3	DAVID CHIU, City Attorney	
4	By: <u>/s/ Zachary Porianda</u>	
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#### LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Charter Amendment - Forfeiture of Pension Benefits]

Describing and setting forth a proposal to the voters at an election to be held on November 8, 2022, to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to provide for forfeiture of the pension of a member of the San Francisco Employees' Retirement System upon a finding by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing that the member committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as a City employee or officer.

#### Existing Law

Currently, under Charter Sections A8.509, A8.584-13, A8.586-16, A8.587-14, A8.588-16, A8.597-16, A8.598-16, A8.600-14, A8.601-16, A8.602-16, A8.603-10, A8.604-13, A8.605-13, A8.606-15, A8.607-15, A8.608-13, A8.609-15, A8.610-13, any active or retired City employee who is a member of the San Francisco Employee Retirement System (SFERS) and who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in connection with their City duties, forfeits all rights to City-funded benefits under the City's retirement system.

#### Amendments to Current Law

The proposed measure would amend these Charter provisions to add a second mechanism for forfeiture: a member would forfeit pension benefits if an administrative hearing officer determines by clear and convincing evidence that the member committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with their City duties.

The measure would also amend Section A8.585, which currently does not include a forfeiture provision, to include a new Section A8.585-17, which would subject pension benefits under that plan to forfeiture on the same grounds as the other Charter sections.

The measure would also amend Section 12.102 to authorize the Retirement System to hire administrative law judges to preside over the administrative forfeiture proceedings.

#### **Background Information**

The Charter bars employees convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude (such as theft, fraud, or the breach of public trust) from collecting employer-funded pension benefits. Currently, there are 18 pension forfeiture provisions codified in Charter Appendix A covering various categories of employees. These sections provide that a member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude committed in connection with the member's employment,

forfeits all rights to any benefits under the pension system, except refund of the member's accumulated contributions. If the member is qualified for service retirement based on years of service and age, the member may, as an alternative, choose to receive an annuity that is the actuarial equivalent of the member's accumulated contributions at the time of conviction.

As to retired members, the provisions similarly provide that any member who is convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude that was committed in connection with the member's duties while employed, forfeits rights to any further benefit from the pension system, except payment of the member's accumulated contributions remaining at the time of the conviction.

These pension forfeiture provisions are intended to prevent an employee who exploits their position or abuses City resources from receiving City-funded pension benefits accrued during their time of service. Because application of the provisions hinges on conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude, employees who are not convicted of a crime do not forfeit their pension, even if they commit fraud or other acts involving moral turpitude. For example, prosecutors may choose not to criminally charge an employee for their conduct, or an employee may plea to a crime that does not involve moral turpitude, in exchange for the prosecution's dropping a charge that involves moral turpitude. Under these and other varied circumstances, there is no basis under the Charter to forfeit the employee's pension benefits.

The proposed amendment would add a second basis for forfeiture if, after an administrative hearing, there is a finding based on clear and convincing evidence that the member committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with their duties as an employee or officer. The purpose of the amendment is to close the loophole that has allowed employees who have abused their office and breached the public trust to nonetheless collect full pension benefits. In so doing, the amendment seeks to deter such malfeasance and induce faithful service by public employees, thereby maintaining the integrity of the City's retirement system.

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May 31, 2022

File No. 220633

Lisa Gibson Environmental Review Officer Planning Department 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Ms. Gibson:

The following proposed Charter Amendment for the November 8, 2022, Election was received by the Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee:

File No. 220633 Charter Amendment - Forfeiture of Pension Benefits

Charter Amendment (First Draft) to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to provide for forfeiture of the pension of a member of the San Francisco Employees' Retirement System upon a finding by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing that the member committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as a City employee or officer; at an election to be held on November 8, 2022.

This legislation is being transmitted to you for environmental review.

Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board

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By: Victor Young, Assistant Clerk Rules Committee

Attachment

c: Devyani Jain, Deputy Environmental Review Officer Joy Navarrete, Environmental Planning Don Lewis, Environmental Planning Laura Lynch, Environmental Planning Not defined as a project Sections 15378 and 150

Not defined as a project under CEQA Guidelines Sections 15378 and 15060(c)(2) because it would not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

June 6, 2022

Joy Navarrete

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Ben Rosenfield, City Controller, Office of the Controller

- FROM: Victor Young, Assistant Clerk, Rules Committee Board of Supervisors
- DATE: May 31, 2022
- SUBJECT: CHARTER AMENDMENT INTRODUCED November 8, 2022, Election

The Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee has received the following Charter Amendment for the November 8, 2022, Election. This matter is being **referred** to you in accordance with Rules of Order 2.22.3.

File No. 220633 Charter Amendment - Forfeiture of Pension Benefits

Charter Amendment (First Draft) to amend the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco to provide for forfeiture of the pension of a member of the San Francisco Employees' Retirement System upon a finding by clear and convincing evidence after an administrative hearing that the member committed a crime involving moral turpitude in connection with the member's duties as a City employee or officer; at an election to be held on November 8, 2022.

Please review and prepare a financial analysis of the proposed measure prior to the first Rules Committee hearing.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (415) 554-7723 or email: victor.young@sfgov.org. To submit documentation, please email or forward to me at the Board of Supervisors, City Hall, Room 244, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, San Francisco, CA 94102.

c: Todd Rydstrom, Deputy City Controller Peg Stevenson, City Performance Director Natasha Mihal, City Services Auditor **BOARD of SUPERVISORS** 



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- TO: Tom Paulino, Liaison to the Board of Supervisors, Mayor's Office Anne Pearson, Deputy City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney John Arntz, Director, Department of Elections LeeAnn Pelham, Executive Director, Ethics Commission Jay Huish, Executive Director, Retirement Board
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Please review and submit any reports or comments you wish to be included with the legislative file.

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c: Andres Power, Mayor's Office Patrick Ford, Ethics Commission Michael Canning, Ethics Commission Darlene Armanino, Retirement Board



June 23, 2022

Supervisor Aaron Peskin, Chair Supervisor Rafael Mandelman Supervisor Connie Chan Rules Committee, San Francisco Board of Supervisors City Hall, Room 244 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Plaza San Francisco, CA 94102

#### RE: File No. 220633

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Dear Supervisors Peskin, Mandelman and Chan:

The San Francisco Employees' Retirement System submits this cost report pursuant to Charter Section A8.500

Current provisions in the SFERS plans provide that members who are convicted of a crime of moral turpitude in connection with their duties forfeit their entitlement to any retirement benefits funded by the City. The proposed Charter Amendment creates an administrative hearing process where SFERS pensions can also be forfeited if the hearing officer finds by clear and convincing evidence that the member has committed a crime of moral turpitude in connection with their duties.

The additional expense to the Retirement System is too speculative to cost at this time. Under the proposal, SFERS will incur additional costs to investigate and litigate potential moral turpitude cases. SFERS is unable to estimate how many cases may be litigated under these provisions. To date, few members have had their benefits forfeited.

Representatives of the Retirement System will attend the Rules Committee hearing on this matter on June 27, 2022.

Very truly yours,

Caryn Bbrtnick SFERS Chief Operating Officer

cc: Victor Young, Asst Clerk Rules Committee