

**MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ACT OF 1984 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 427 of 1984**

**38.1502c Definitions; P to V.**

Sec. 2c. (1) "Participating court" means a judicial circuit court, a judicial district court, or a judicial probate court that has elected to be governed by the provisions of this act.

(2) "Participating municipality" means a municipality that has elected to be governed by the provisions of this act. Two or more municipalities may enter into an agreement with each other and the retirement system to participate as a combined unit.

(3) "Public corporation" means the retirement system on and after the certification date, which corporation is an instrumentality of the participating municipalities and participating courts.

(4) "Retirement board" means the retirement board provided for in section 36 to administer the retirement system.

(5) "Retirement system" or "system" means the municipal employees retirement system established by former Act No. 135 of the Public Acts of 1945 and continued and restated by this act.

**History:** 1984, Act 427, Imd. Eff. Jan. 2, 1985;—Am. 1988, Act 500, Imd. Eff. Dec. 29, 1988;—Am. 1989, Act 51, Imd. Eff. June 12, 1989;—Am. 1996, Act 220, Eff. Aug. 15, 1996.

**Compiler's note:** Section 4 of Act 220 of 1996, which amendatory act amended this section, provides:

"Section 4. (1) This amendatory act shall not take effect unless submitted to a vote of the official delegates who are certified as provided for in section 45 of the municipal employees retirement act of 1984, Act No. 427 of the Public Acts of 1984, being section 38.1545 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and ratified by a 2/3 majority of the delegates actually voting on the question. The question of adoption of this amendatory act shall be submitted by certified mail to the delegates as certified to the most recent annual meeting of the municipal employees retirement system or, if no such delegates were certified or if previously certified delegates are no longer employed, then those delegates as certified by the participating municipality or participating court within 60 days after the enactment of this amendatory act. To be valid, each delegate's vote shall be received at the place designated by the retirement system no later than 75 days from the date of enactment of this amendatory act. The question shall be submitted in substantially the following form:

"Shall Act No. \_\_\_\_\_ of the Public Acts of 1996, entitled 'An act to amend the municipal employees retirement act of 1984', providing for the retirement system to become a public corporation be adopted?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
No \_\_\_\_\_".

(2) The retirement board of the municipal employees retirement system shall certify in writing the results of the voting on the question and file the certification with the secretary of state not later than the fifth business day following the tally of the votes. If a 2/3 majority of the delegates voting on the question approve the adoption of this amendatory act, the provisions of this amendatory act shall become effective on the date that is 10 calendar days after the filing of the certification with the secretary of state, which date shall be set forth in the filing and shall be known as the certification date."

The official tally of the vote on the question having occurred at the Special Meeting of the Board held on August 1, 1996, resulting in a determination that more than a two-thirds majority of the delegates voting on the question approved the adoption of Act 220 of 1996, a certification of the results of the voting was filed with the Secretary of State on August 5, 1996. The certification provided that the effective date of Act 220 of 1996 shall be August 15, 1996, which date shall be officially known as the "certification date."