



POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN

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To All Members of the Detroit Public
Schools Police Officers Association:

I have received several telephone calls this week from your Executive Board regarding the three (3%) percent that each one of you have been contributing toward your post-retirement health care benefits.

On August 16, 2012, the State of Michigan Court of Appeals released a decision that was adopted by the Detroit Public School District in 2010. The issue in question is simple. Does Detroit Public Schools have the right to automatically withhold three (3%) percent of employee's wages, allotted to MPSERS, for health care retirement benefits?

The court concluded in an 18-page decision (attached in web site) that Detroit Public Schools "violated multiple constitutional rights in both the United States and the Michigan Constitutions and is therefore invalid or illegal."

Detroit Public Schools has 42 days to file an appeal regarding the ruling of August 16, 2012. We believe they will.

POAM will continue to monitor the situation and will do our best to keep you informed.

Sincerely,

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