



URGENT MESSAGE FOR MEMBERS PLANNING TO RETIRE OR RESIGN BEFORE JUNE 1, 2015

The Province of Nova Scotia released new pension regulations on April 22nd that may make it beneficial for you to postpone your departure to June 1st (or later). This may be the case if you are in one of the following groups:

- 1) You are **RETIRING effective May 1st** and you are in a common-law type relationship **AND** you are in one of these situations:
 - a) Your common-law type relationship has existed for less than two years; **OR**
 - b) You (or your common law partner) are still legally married to someone else (separated but not divorced).

- 2) You are **RESIGNING before June 1st** with less than two years of NSHEPP membership.

If you are in one of the above groups, please contact NSHEPP **IMMEDIATELY** for information about how postponing your departure to June 1st may affect you. Contact information is at the bottom of this bulletin. A newsletter containing more details will be posted at www.nshepp.ca by April 24th.

Note from our lawyer: Postponing your departure will not be beneficial in all cases. There may be other factors for you to consider in deciding when to retire or resign. You should consider all factors relevant in your personal situation and make the decision that is right for you.

If you have any questions or comments please contact us at:

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- Telephone: (902) 832-8500 for local calls; 1-866-400-4400 for long distance toll free
- E-mail: pensionplan@nshepp.ca; Fax: (902) 832-8506

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