Law reinstated: reverting back to 6%

The 2019 Budget Implementation Bill signed into law by Governor Pritzker on June 5, 2019 reinstates the 6 percent threshold retroactively to July 1, 2018. Therefore, as required by Section 5/16-158 (f) of the Pension Code [40 ILCS 5/16-158(f)], when a member retires, the employer is required to pay TRS contributions equal to the actuarial value of a pension benefit that results from any salary increases over 6 percent used in a retiring member’s final average salary calculation.

Due to this reversal by the Illinois legislature:

- The CBA Collection portal for employers will be turned off.
- TRS will be updating the Excess Salary Increase Calculator on the website soon to exclude the 3 percent information.
- The following Employer Bulletins are obsolete: FY18-16, FY19-09, FT19-12, FY19-13, FY19-15 and FY19-16.