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# TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

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# REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (POSTED MAY 22, 2018)

# <u>Introduction</u>

The Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois (TRS) is conducting an information-gathering process to learn more about web content filtering appliance/services available in the industry to help TRS determine the best solution(s). The TRS website is trsil.org. TRS currently has 250MB internet connection and 500 nodes.

This Request for Information (RFI) is for information-gathering purposes and does not obligate TRS to select any particular solution or vendor. TRS reserves the right to take any further action as in its sole discretion is determined to be appropriate, including selecting a solution, issuing a formal solicitation, gathering more information, or not pursuing further or at all.

# **Summary Description of TRS**

The General Assembly created the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois (TRS or the System) in 1939. TRS administers a multiple-employer public pension plan to provide its members with retirement, disability, and death benefits. Membership is mandatory for all full-time, part-time, and substitute Illinois public school personnel employed outside the city of Chicago in positions requiring certification by the Illinois State Board of Education. Persons employed at certain state agencies relating to education are also TRS members. The System serves 406,855 members and had over \$48.6 billion in assets held in trust for its membership as of June 30, 2017.

The retirement system is administered as a qualified plan under the Internal Revenue Code. TRS benefits and investments are governed by Articles 1, 16, and 20 of the Illinois Pension Code, 40 ILCS 5. Funding comes from member contributions, contributions by TRS-covered employers, the state of Illinois, and investment income. The System's most recent Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as well as a variety of other information about TRS is available on the TRS Web site at https://www.trsil.org.

A thirteen-member Board of Trustees (the Board) is responsible for the general administration of the System, including the duties granted to it under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code, 40 ILCS 5/16. Under the direction of the Executive Director employed by the Board, the day-to-day administration of the System is delegated to the

System's staff. TRS currently employees approximately 194 employees in two physical locations. The main office is in Springfield, Illinois with an additional location in Lisle, Illinois.

#### **Respondent's Contact Information:**

Please provide the following contact information with your response.

Name of Vendor			
Mailing address			
City	State		ZIP code
Phone	Fax		
Web site			
Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN)			
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Contact Person Name		Phone	
Title		Fax	
E-mail			
Authorized signature	Date		

#### Questions

Please respond to the following questions, restating the question in each response. Please respond to the best of your understanding. TRS is not entertaining any questions about this RFI and you should not initiate any contact with TRS at this time, other than submission of your response.

#### **Product Information**

- 1. Please provide a narrative description of the proposed solution(s).
- 2. Does this solution integrate with Active Directory?
- 3. Does this solution detect and intercept malicious content?
- 4. Does this solution come with a proxy server?
- 5. Does it allow the blocking and allowance of categorized content?
- 6. Does it allow the whitelisting and blacklisting of specific urls?
- 7. Does this soliton enforce content policies both on and off premises?
- 8. What steps would one take to determine why a website is blocked that TRS staff determines should not be, and how would we resolve the issue?

## **Reporting Capabilities**

9. Is there trend analysis? If so, please provide examples.

- 10. Are there reports detailing bandwidth and content used by users and groups? Describe.
- 11. Are there reports alerting when malicious or inappropriate content requests have been initiated? Describe.
- 12. Are there reports with the ability to integrate with a SIEM? Describe.

## **Instructions for Submission of Responses**

Please return two hard copies of your responses and any attachments via U.S. mail or courier delivery to the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois at the following address. Email responses will not be accepted. Responses must be received on or before 2:30 pm on June 8, 2018 to be considered. Your response will not be accepted unless it is signed and dated.

Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois Attention: Heidi Darow, Purchasing Officer 2815 West Washington Street P.O. Box 19253 Springfield, IL 62794-9253