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Fake Retirements give \$54.2 *Million in pension cash bonuses to 435 Florida Bureaucrats in September 2022*



Fake Retirements give 435 Retired Florida Public Employees **\$54.2 Million** in pension cash bonuses as these 435 Bureaucrats actually retire this September 2022. The Highest September 2022 Pension Cash Bonus Payout is \$673,884 and 228 collect over \$100,000. See the state-wide September 2022 Triple Dippers collecting pension cash bonuses at https://tripledippers.org/fl-cash-outs-September-2022/

"Although they never really retired, **29,719 Florida** Public Employees and Politicians just file paperwork pretending to retire but keep on working and pocket Billions in salaries and \$4.63 Billion in pension payments at the same time to do the same job and are the only Florida Public employees who don't pay 3% of their salary into the Pension System," stated Dave Jaye, Researcher, <u>https://tripledippers.org/</u> "No Retirement Party, No Speeches, No Gold Watch, and No break in Employment! This scheme to rip off taxpayers was approved by every Florida Government Entity from Mosquito Districts to Cities, Counties, Schools, Universities, the State Legislature and Governor. These Public Employees in conjunction with their supervisors are perpetrating fraud. The Public Manager or Politician simply signs off on the Fake retirement. If the paperwork is in order that's good enough. Even though the public employee and Politician never really left their job.

No private company allows such abuses. Add the Cherry on the top – these Triple Dippers are cashing out their unused days off at their final highest salary, not the salary when the days were earned taking more money from taxpayers and artificially increasing the final year's pay on which their pensions are calculated. Collecting a paycheck and a pension at the same time, Triple Dippers can afford to delay Social Security which then increases 8% per year to age 70. That's about a 40% increase in Social Security payments! Triple Dippers is formally called the Deferred Retirement Option Program (DROP).

These September 2022 Triple Dipper cash bonuses are taking **\$54.2 Million** from school tutors, roads and tax cuts. Replacing these over-the-hill retired Triple Dippers with freshly educated and trained employees would save approximately 40% around \$902.8 Million" stated Dave Jaye.

Florida's September 2022 top ten Triple Dippers by pension cash bonus are:

	First	Last	Employer	Fake Retirement Date	Pension Cash Bonus Date	Pension Cash Bonus	Email Address
1	BRUCE	MCGREGOR	BROWARD CO SHERIFF'S DEPT	10/1/2017	9/30/2022	\$673,884	brucemc93@yahoo.com
2	ANTONIO	RODRIGUEZ	MIAMI-DADE COUNTY	10/1/2017	9/30/2022	\$573,503	trod2324@gmail.com
3	A	OLAUGHLIN	PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	10/1/2017	9/30/2022	\$541,607	aj.olaughlin@aol.com
4	ERIC	CALL	PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	10/1/2017	9/30/2022	\$517,862	egators@comcast.net
5	PATRICK	WOODWAR D	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEPT	7/1/2018	9/30/2022	\$516,953	woodwardpat.191@gmail.co m
6	SHAWN	NIEDBALSKI	PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	10/1/2017	9/30/2022	\$490,741	shawn2413@gmail.com
7	DOUGLAS	OCHIPA	FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY	10/1/2017	9/30/2022	\$ 446,827	ochipad@fiu.edu
8	KIMBERLY	BURKE	MIAMI-DADE COUNTY	1/1/2018	9/1/2022	\$ 436,531	lilkim2236@aol.com
9	MATILDE	GRAMLING	FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY	10/1/2017	9/30/2022	\$ 419,604	matslittlerandr@aol.com
10	FREDDIE	VAN BEVER	OFFICE OF STATE COURTS	10/1/2017	9/30/2022	\$ 369,119	markvanbever@gmail.com

Triple Dipper 'Public Servants' taking a paycheck and a pension at the same time to do the same job has led to **\$36 Billion in unfunded Florida Retirement obligations**, a \$1,675 liability for every man, and woman and child in Florida! <u>https://alec.org/publication/unaccountable-and-unaffordable-2020/</u> "This abuse of taxpayers must stop". "We need to create opportunities for young people to move into these jobs to buy a home and start a family replacing these overpriced-cum-golden oldie Triple Dippers who are just putting \$766,000 or more of cash bonuses into the bank. Young people have much lower health care costs, are better educated and have much more energy than these Senior Citizen Triple Dippers," noted Dave Jaye. "Triple Dippers are Greedy are taking a salary with huge benefits and interest-bearing pension at the same time to do the same job while living next to neighbors who lost their job or businesses, retirement savings, children's college savings funds and possibly their cars and homes", said Dave Jaye. "Ending the Triple Dipper program would create approximately 29,305 new jobs--without cutting a single Government position! Hiring entry-level employees to replace Triple Dippers saves approximately 40% --\$840 million, plus approximately \$62.8 Million that Triple Dippers don't pay 3% of pay into the Florida pension." Law enforcement employees typically collect huge amounts of overtime which results in outrageous pension cash bonuses. Below are the top three Florida Triple

The statewide list of 29,719 Florida Triple Dippers can be *sorted by name, employer, cash bonus payout, cash bonus payout date, first retirement date* at https://tripledippers.org/fl-statewide-2022-april-29305-tripledippers/ Triple Dippers, formally called Deferred Retirement **Option** Program (DROP), take an annual Payroll of \$2.1 Billion (average salary \$62,344) and Cash Bonus of \$4.91 Billion (average cash bonus of \$146,161) https://flauditor.gov/pages/pdf_files/2021-069.pdf">https://flauditor.gov/pages/pdf_files/2021-069.pdf p. 160 .

"The Florida Legislature and Governor should require Triple Dippers to contribute 3% of pay to the State Pension program just like every other 'Public Servant' and increase the 'Public Servant' contribution from 3% to 5% as proposed by then-Governor Rick Scott. Retirement cash bonuses should be eliminated". <u>https://www.sun-sentinel.com/news/fl-xpm-2011-02-01-fl-scott-announces-pension-reforms-20110201-story.html</u>

The public employer (taxpayer-paid) match of DROP Triple Dippers' salary to the Florida pension system has increased to 21.34% compared to 13.82% for regular class employees. In 2012 the Employer match for DROP employees was 4.33%. https://fastdemocracy.com/bill-search/fl/2022/bills/FLB00027524/

The SW Florida September 2022 Triple Dipper Cash Pension Payouts are:

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					Dension		Fake	Cash	
					Pension		Retirement	Bonus	
	First	Last	Employer	Job Title	Cash Bonus	Salary	Date	Date	Email
				Deputy Chief					
1	DAWN	CASE	OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR	Inspector General	\$ 346,227	\$121,520	10/1/2017	9/30/2022	deec1060@gmail.com
			COLLIER CO SHERIFF'S						
2	CHRISTINA	MULLEN	OFFICE	Clerk	\$ 131,157	\$ 80,398	3/1/2019	9/1/2022	tinainbonita@yahoo.com
				Prof Standards					
3	CINDY	TILTON	LEE CO SCHOOL BOARD	Support	\$ 81,949	\$ 58,883	7/1/2018	9/30/2022	cltilton4@gmail.com
			LEE CO BD OF CO						
4	ELLA	CAMPBELL	COMMISSIONERS	Janitor	\$ 51,042	\$ 42,122	10/1/2017	9/30/2022	ecampbell@leegov.com
5	ANASTACIO	SANCHEZ	COLLIER CO SCHOOL BOARD	AC Tech	\$ 47,958	\$ 53 <i>,</i> 880	10/1/2017	9/30/2022	
			LEE CO BD OF CO						
6	NANCY	WEINMEISTER	COMMISSIONERS	Fiscal Specialist	\$ 43,797	\$ 56,578	10/1/2019	9/2/2022	nweinmeister@aol.com

7	ELLEN	MACLEAN	LEE CO SCHOOL BOARD	HR Clerk	\$ 43,762	\$ 57 <i>,</i> 058	2/1/2021	9/30/2022	ellentm3@embarqmail.com
				Pre Kindergarten					
8	JANA	THROWER	LEE CO SCHOOL BOARD	Assistant	\$ 43,755	\$ 27 <i>,</i> 502	11/1/2019	9/1/2022	rebeccahendry95@yahoo.c
9	BETTY	CHASTAIN	LEE CO SCHOOL BOARD	Payroll Clerk	\$ 42,298	\$ 58,833	4/1/2021	9/2/2022	pudlz50.bc@gmail.com
			COLLIER CO BD OF CO	Operations					
10	DONNA	O'TOOLE	COMMISSIONERS	Coordinator	\$ 33,548	\$ 54,082	9/1/2019	9/29/2022	donna92857@gmail.com
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Not 3% of salary into the Florida Pension System .03 * \$601,856 = \$18,325

A major reason Triple Dippers Program is expanding is that many Triple Dippers work for the Florida State Senate, State House, and Governor's office and are Elected Politicians. The Employer contribution rate for Legislators, the Governor and Cabinet is 66.73% https://www.dms.myflorida.com/workforce_operations/retirement/employers/contribution_rates .

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