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A Shocking Milestone: A Florida Bureaucrat will take a \$2.3 Million Pension Bonus from Taxpayers! https://tripledippers.org/fl-cash-outs-june-2024/



Robert L. Allen PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEPT¹ will collect \$2,308,779 pension cash bonus from taxpayers and a monthly pension of \$22,588 on June 30, 2031. 477 Bureaucrats and several Politicians will collect over \$1 million each in pension cash bonuses!

"No public employee and certainly no politician is worth over \$1 Million in pension cash bonuses" said Dave Jaye, Researcher <u>https://tripledippers.org/</u> These bureaucrats and politicians are greedy. How many gourmet meals, luxury cars, and vacation homes does one person need or can even use? How much of Robert Allen's \$2.3 Million pension cash bonus will he promise, in writing, to donate to charity?"



The highest Politician pension cash bonus will be taken by Politician Judge Thomas Logue², \$1.64 Million, plus monthly pension of \$17,787 and while taking a salary of $$212,562^3$ and not paying 3% of his salary to the Florida Retirement System \$6,376 like other public employees.

Approximately 28,482 Florida Public Employees are called Triple Dippers because they file fake retirement paperwork, but continue working and collect a paycheck and a pension in an 4% interest bearing account for 8 years and up to 10 years for School employees. The Third Dip is these "retired" public employees and Politicians don't pay 3% of their salary into the Florida pension system shifting personal responsibility to taxpayers. See: <u>https://tripledippers.org/</u>

Governor Jim DeSantis signed SB 7024 effective July 1, 2023 allowing the option for politicians and bureaucrats to extend pension bonuses by 60% from 5 to 8 years and up to ten

¹ <u>https://www.pbso.org/inside-pbso/general/executive-staff/colonel-robert-l-allen</u> (561) 688-3000

² <u>https://3dca.flcourts.gov/Judges/Chief-Judge-Thomas-Logue</u>

³ <u>http://edr.state.fl.us/content/local-government/reports/finsal23.pdf</u>

years for School Employees⁴. The Triple Dipper Pension Bonus system created \$39 billion in unfunded Florida Retirement obligations, amounting to a \$1,725 liability for every man, woman, and child in Florida. "The Florida Legislature must reverse course to stop outrageous pension cash bonuses, claw back pension bonuses over \$50,000 and require these Triple Dipping Bureaucrats to start paying 3% of their salary into the Florida Retirement System like all other public employees."



In SW Florida Politician Kathleen Smith, decided her \$547,272 Pension cash bonus and \$202,562 salary⁵ was not enough money and shamelessly exploited her Political position to pocket an outrageous \$966,038 in taxpayer-funded pension bonus. This display of gluttony sets a new low for political personal enrichment, particularly for a Politician charged with the task of "Public Defender". See: <u>https://tripledippers.org/triple-dippers-hall-of-shame/</u>

Taking a Stand: USAtaxfighters.org seeks Candidate Pledge against Pension Cash Bonuses

USAtaxfighters.org is formally asking candidates running for office in 2024 to sign a Pledge not to take a taxpayer-paid pension cash bonus (attached). <u>https://www.facebook.com/tripledippers</u>

⁴ <u>https://thecapitolist.com/frs-double-dip-retirement-expansion-will-make-it-harder-for-private-sector-to-compete-with-state/</u>

⁵ <u>http://edr.state.fl.us/content/local-government/reports/finsal23.pdf</u>

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				Fake Retirement Date	Pension Cash Bonus Date	Pension Cash Bonus	Monthly Pension		
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First	M	Last	Employer	DROP Begin		Accrual	Monthly	Email	
ROBERT	L	ALLEN	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEPT		6/30/2031			allenrl@pbso.org	
TODD	R	TURNER	PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD C					toddturner31@gm	nail.com
RICHARD	J	LUTZ	UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA	9/1/2023		\$1,944,296		rjlutz@ufl.edu	
JAMES		HIGHTOWER	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEP	7/1/2019		\$1,854,605	\$ 18,690	hightowerj@pbso.	<u> </u>
SEAN	Ρ	MURRAY	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEP	6/1/2020		\$1,844,342		murraysp@pbso.c	-
ERIC	Т	COLEMAN	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEPT	4/1/2021		\$1,822,352		-	•
FERNANDO	1	OLIVERA	MIAMI-DADE CO BD OF CO CON	5/1/2021	4/30/2029	\$1,784,291	\$ 17,235	firenando@aol.co	m
ROBERT	J	титко	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEP	1/1/2023	12/31/2030	\$1,782,910	\$ 17,087	roberttutko@aol.	com
LAURENCE	F	POSTON	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEPT	7/1/2021	6/30/2029	\$1,777,891	\$ 17,471	lp4619@aol.com	
ENRIQUE		GUERRA	MIAMI-DADE CO BD OF CO CON	11/1/2022	10/31/2030	\$1,760,098	\$ 16,898	eguerra@mdpd.co	om
STEVEN		MOZES	SOUTH TRAIL FIRE & RESCUE SE	9/1/2022	8/30/2030	\$1,733,185	\$ 16,831	smozes@southtra	ilfire.org
ERIC	D	GOLDBERG	MIAMI-DADE CO BD OF CO CON	7/1/2020	6/30/2028	\$1,725,648	\$ 17,038	egoldberg@mdpd	.com
THOMAS	S	MARTINEZ	MIAMI-DADE CO BD OF CO CON	7/1/2020	6/30/2028	\$1,722,331	\$ 17,112	tsmartinez@mdpd	l.com
CARLOS	L	UGALDE	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEPT	10/1/2023	9/30/2031	\$1,685,080	\$ 16,027	ugaldec@pbso.org	g
ALBERTA	L	BRYANT	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEPT	11/1/2022	10/31/2030	\$1,666,142	\$ 15,850	albertabryant@ya	hoo.com
MARIBEL		ARTIME	MIAMI-DADE CO BD OF CO CON	4/1/2019	3/31/2027	\$1,662,715	\$ 16,506	mari3230@bellso	uth.net
JAMES	Ε	PUTNIK	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEP	3/1/2022	2/28/2030	\$1,657,535	\$ 15,909	smpt215@gmail.c	om
RONALD	Т	MATTINO	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEP	1/1/2018	12/31/2025	\$1,656,327	\$ 17,017	mattinor@pbso.o	rg
JAMES	D	HENNINGSEN	COLLEGE OF CENTRAL FLORIDA	8/1/2022	7/31/2030	\$1,652,694	\$ 16,068	trguy75@gmail.co	m
PAUL	Α	VILLAVERDE	MIAMI-DADE CO BD OF CO CON	7/1/2020	6/30/2028	\$1,648,634	\$ 16,249	pavillaverde23@y	ahoo.com
THOMAS	w	LOGUE	Politician Judge	8/1/2023	10/18/2030	\$1,647,401	\$ 17,787	loguet@flcourts.c	org
CHRISTOS	\square	KOULAMAS	FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIV	4/1/2020	3/31/2028	\$1,619,900	\$ 15,872	koulamas@fiu.ed	u
JUAN	С	RODRIGUEZ	MIAMI-DADE CO BD OF CO CON	7/1/2021	6/30/2029	\$1,602,635	\$ 15,608	jrod1@email.com	
DAVID	D.	WOOLSEY	PUBLIC HEALTH TRUST - JACKSO	7/1/2020	6/30/2028	\$1,600,786	\$ 15,897	daviddwoolsey@c	utlook.cor
GREGORY	E	RUBIN	MIAMI-DADE CO BD OF CO CON	10/1/2023	9/30/2031	\$1,599,994	\$ 15,192	mail@gregrubin.co	
KENNETH	J	VOIRET	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEPT	6/1/2022	5/31/2030	\$1,580,371	\$ 15,022	voiretk@pbso.org	
DAVID	A	FRAZIER	MIAMI-DADE CO BD OF CO CON	7/1/2019		\$1,578,957			
ROY	Ρ	VRCHOTA	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEP	7/1/2020		\$1,575,810		wyoezridr@gmail.	
DONALD	1	CORBITT	PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD O	7/1/2021		\$1,575,794		corb2078@bellso	
TIMOTHY	Р	MCCANN	PALM BEACH CO SHERIFF'S DEPT	7/1/2020		\$1,574,864	\$ 15,584		
ISSA	E	BATARSEH	UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORI	2/1/2022		\$1,572,189	\$ 15,136		-
FRANCISCO	-	ARMENDARIZ	MIAMI-DADE CO BD OF CO CON			\$1,569,490		frank0939@yahoo	
GARRETT	1		ORANGE CO BD OF CO COMMIS			\$1,568,611		ski853@hotmail.c	
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While Politician Million Dollar Kathleen Smith takes bushels of taxpayer money, the average Lee County worker earns \$45,487 a year or \$22 an hour and would need to work over 21 years⁶ to match Politician Public Defender Kathleen Smith's pension cash bonus of \$966,038.

For a comprehensive list of the names, employers and pension cash bonuses of approximately 26,000 Florida's Triple Dippers from 2018 to date, visit <u>https://tripledippers.org/</u>



Exposing Public Corruption and Wasteful Spending

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⁶ <u>https://www.ziprecruiter.com/Salaries/-in-Fort-Myers,FL</u>

Reform Proposals to reduce the \$39 Billion in unfunded Florida Public Employee pensions include:

1. Prohibit politicians from breaking contract promise to resign in order to be eligible for a pension cash bonus

2. Prohibit any new Public Employees from joining pension cash bonus system until the FRS Pension

program is 110% funded using the risk free Investment rate of return required by Federal 3. Require a 3 or 6 month separation from employment to be eligible for pension cash bonus Government Pension Supervision program

4. Limit Pension Cash bonuses to \$50,000

5. Require a special Contribution to FRS for public employees not satisfied with a 5 year pension cash bonus to contribute more of salary to equal the increase.

6, End the interest accrual of 4% back to 1% for public employees taking more than 5 year pension cash bonus.

7.Require Politicians who already took a pension cash bonus and continue as politicians to pay 5% of salary to the FRS (make up for lost time).

8. End the practice whereby spouses and adult children of law enforcement can hide their names from pensions and compensation, treated in same manner as Legislators and 9. Prohibit Part time and seasonal workers from Pension cash bonus program

10. Prohibit new enrollee in the Pension cash bonus system for any new enrollee until the state requires School Districts to pay The employer match of Pension cash bonus triple dippers is not 21.12% compared to 15% for regular class employees.

11. Limit Future Pension cash bonuses to teachers, scientists, pilots with over 25 years of employment in that profession

12. Prohibit any pension cash bonus participation for school employees in districts where less than 65% of the HS graduates can read at a 12th grade level.

13. Prohibit a pension cash bonus for any employee who makes more than \$100,000 Require that any cash-outs of unused vacation, sick and personal time off be at the salary or wage level when days off were earned

14. Prohibit cashing out of days off from being used to calculate last year salary upon which the pension is based artificially spiking up last year's pay.

15. Prohibit Pension cash bonuses for non classroom staff and staff who are not assigned to be first responders.

16. Reduce a pension monthly payments by 50% until pension cash bonuses over 5 years are repaid with interest to the State of Florida

17. Require the FRS to post monthly on their website the full salaries, job titles and projected pension cash bonus pension cash bonus date, and projected monthly pension.

18. End Other Post Employment Benefits for Public Employees who are taking over \$50,000 or \$500,000 pension cash bonuses

19. Require Public Employees who are in the DROP Program to pay 3% of salary into the FRS like everyone else

20. Require a defined contribution pension system for all new Public Employees

21. Raise the Public Employee salary contribution to FRS program from 3% to 5% just like the State (taxpayer Paid Match increase on July 1, 2023 to 5%)

On October 5, 2024 Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Posted a Reel on Facebook⁷ stating "Join us in Celebrating Colonel Robert Allen's outstanding 40 years of service in the Agency." However, the Florida Department of Management Services reports that Robert Allen will receive his *\$2.3 Million Pension on June 30, 2031--seven years in the future.*

⁷ https://www.facebook.com/profile/100066919683520/search/?q=Robert%20Allen