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1. Deadline: Forfeiture Reporting

March 20th is the deadline for law enforcement agencies to report final disposition of property seized subject to forfeiture for the month of February. To report final disposition of forfeitures, please go to:

<https://www.auditor.state.mn.us/safes/>.

2. Available: Investment Performance Information for Relief Associations

The OSA is required to annually provide information on the investment performance of the State Board of Investment and on the voluntary Statewide Plan administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association to volunteer fire relief associations. The 2017 Investment Performance Information is now available on the OSA website at:

<http://www.osa.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=pensionDocs>.

3. Released: Pension Newsletter

The February **Pension Newsletter** has been released. The Newsletter provides information on relief associations 2016 reporting-year forms and links for online training on completing the forms. The Newsletter includes reminders about other upcoming reporting deadlines for other State offices. An update about the Working Group bill and information on defining a firefighter's start date are also provided.

The complete Newsletter can be accessed at:

<http://www.osa.state.mn.us/default.aspx?page=pensionDocs>.

4. Avoiding Pitfalls: Data Practices

Local governments must comply with the Minnesota Data Practices Act. Towns, however, are generally exempt – only towns in the metropolitan area with urban powers must comply with the Data Practices Act.

The website of the Minnesota Department of Administration's Information Policy Analysis Division (IPAD) has educational materials about the Act and the public's access to local government information according to the Act. The materials can be accessed by going to the IPAD website at <http://www.ipad.state.mn.us/>. You can also contact IPAD at (651) 296-6733 or (800) 657-3721, or by mail at 201 Administration Building, 50 Sherburne Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55155.

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