

LETTER OF AGREEMENT
between the
STATE OF ALASKA
and the
ALASKA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION
representing the
SUPERVISORY UNIT

17-SS-167
Addendum

Re: Administration of Furloughs

Contingent upon a ratification vote by the Alaska Public Employees Association – Supervisory Unit:

RECITALS

To establish an option as an alternative to furloughs for employees who are contemplating retirement in the near future, the State of Alaska (State) and the Alaska Public Employees Association (Union), agree to modify the rules pertaining to the administration of furloughs as follows:

- The parties recognize that administration of furloughs may impact the pension benefit calculations of employees preparing for retirement during the term of the collective bargaining agreement. Specifically, the calculation of an employee's highest three years of earnings would be affected by unpaid days during the final three years of employment.
- To allow such employees to avoid the negative impact on the calculation of earnings, bargaining unit members who as of July 1 of each year of the collective bargaining agreement would be eligible to retire within five years, based on the applicable early or normal retirement criteria for their pension plan tier, may elect to forfeit 22.5 hours of accrued Personal Leave to negate the obligation to take 15.0 unpaid furlough hours for that year.

FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA:

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Kate Sheehan, Director
Division of Personnel & Labor Relations
Department of Administration

Date

10/24/16

FOR APEA/AFT:

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Pete Ford
Business Manager

Date

24 Oct 16