

BULLETIN

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THE FIGHT CONTINUES: ORAL ARGUMENTS SCHEDULED IN 4% LAWSUIT

After a long wait, the Michigan Court of Appeals has scheduled oral arguments in the 4% lawsuit. The Court will hear arguments at 10 a.m. June 12 in Lansing. MCO received the news this morning.

The Court has no deadline for writing an opinion after the hearing. The Court will not announce a decision June 12.

Last fall, an Ingham County judge sided with the State Employee Union Coalition. The judge agreed the legislature overstepped its bounds in demanding employees under a defined benefit plan contribute 4% of their paycheck to the Employee Savings Fund. The law also extended the 3 year final average compensation to a 6 year period. The state appealed the decision to the Court of Appeals.

Again, MCO and other state employee unions are fighting to move this case along quickly. It is frustrating the legal process moves so slowly. We will continue to update members on all new developments. All updates will be mentioned in a KYI or bulletin, in addition to the website, mco-seiu.org.

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