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<u>Present law</u> provides that a member or survivor eligible for a benefit from the Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) shall make application for such benefit to the board.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the retirement allowance for a member shall commence on the first day of the first month following application for benefits and subsequent board approval.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that if a written application for any benefit is received by the board within sixty days of the date the applicant became eligible for the benefit, benefits shall be paid retroactive to the date of eligibility.

<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that if an application for any benefit is received by the board more than sixty days after the date the applicant became eligible, retroactive benefits shall be paid only for the sixty days prior to the date the application is received by the board.

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