Retired Priests Serving Missions

Purpose: The following parameters are identified to accommodate retired priests who choose to serve in a mission parish without affecting their pension.

1) Priest must be of retirement age (over 65 years of age).
2) Priest can only serve in any one mission parish for a total of two years and may serve in multiple mission parishes.
3) Mission parish must be in existence less than 5 years.
4) Mission parish must be servicing fewer than 50 souls (defined as any man, woman, or child) at the time the priest is first assigned to serve the mission.
5) Parish must be providing less than $2000/month ($24,000/year) total compensation which includes value of provided housing or housing allowance, salary, insurance, and any and all reimbursements (e.g. car, gas, phone, internet, meals, subscriptions, registration fees)
6) While participating in this program, both church and priest contributions to the pension plan will not be required.
7) Documentation of these parameters will be required as designated by pension board.
8) Each mission parish must apply for inclusion in this program.

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