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Robert Fortin is the senior manager of benefits wealth at the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak). He oversees the operation, administration, and strategy for retirement programs and financial education. Amtrak's retirement plans include two defined contribution plans covering 24,000 participants and a frozen defined benefit plan. Robert began his career in pension and retirement consulting at Watson Wyatt, where he gained valuable expertise before transitioning to administering benefit programs for plan sponsors. With deep knowledge in pension, 401(k), strategic planning, and compliance, Robert excels in creating innovative solutions that align with organizational goals and regulatory requirements. He collaborates seamlessly with cross-functional teams and external vendors to optimize benefit offerings and conducts thorough analyses to continuously enhance programs. Robert holds a bachelor's degree in applied mathematics and economics from San Diego State University and is a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He is a member of the Western Pension & Benefits Council Portland Chapter and holds the Certified Employee Benefit Specialist[®] (CEBS[®]) designation. Of note, Robert greatly enjoys riding the train across the country and engaging in conversations with railroaders to help them understand and maximize their benefits.