



LOUISIANA RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

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**LEGISLATIVE
EDITION**

Governmental Outcomes: A Summary of the 2018 Regular Legislative Session

The 2018 Regular Legislative Session ran from March 12 through May 18, 2018. A second special session followed to address the state budget, which ran from May 22 through June 4, 2018. The second special session failed to balance the budget, and a third special session was required. Several bills were introduced that affected members of the public retirement systems in Louisiana. There were two general areas of concern for LRTA members. One concern introduced the idea of a hybrid retirement plan and the other called for a limited constitutional convention that included education and retirement. None of these bills passed into law thanks to the successful lobbying efforts of advocacy groups across the state. (cont. on pg. 02)

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Additionally, there were many pre-filed retirement bills that provided for technical changes to the operation of committees or specific retirement plans. A complete list of the proposed legislation, the positions LRTA held, and the outcomes of those bills is included in this issue.

“The outcome was the successful maintenance of the TRSL Defined Benefit Plan for another year.”

As we look ahead, it's important that we continue to educate and inform our legislators on why our Defined Benefit Structure is important to attracting and retaining quality educators state and nationwide. We also need to emphasize that our debt is being paid down per state statute and will result

in employer costs lower than Social Security.

During the LRTA fall District Meetings (scheduled for Sept. 10 – 27), we need to focus on upcoming state elections. It's time to determine which legislators will continue to support our current benefit plan and oppose any constitutional convention that includes education and retirement. We also need to consider voting out or against those legislators who would cut or eliminate retirement under the guise of balancing the state budget. It is especially important to support a governor that is committed to protecting the benefits of current and future retirees.

Keep in mind, educators paid their required contribution rates during the entire span of their active employment for the promise of our current benefit plan. It is the employers who delayed payments for many years who contribute to the huge debt owed by the state to fully fund our retirement plan. In my opinion, we should not consider changes to our benefit structure until the state has met its obligation of paying off this debt to fully fund our retirement plan.

I look forward to meeting with you again this fall and appreciate your participation as activists in our continued defense of our retirement plan. Your phone calls, letters, and conversations with legislators have made a remarkable difference in the maintenance of the current TRSL Defined Benefit plan!

Rodney R. Watson
Executive Director, LRTA

Important Reminders:

Next Regular Session:
Monday, April 8, 2019

The legislature can only address the state budget during odd-numbered years. Therefore, only bills that are relevant to the state's budget will be presented during this session.

For more information regarding legislative matters, visit legis.la.gov.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR LRTA PRESIDENT



Welcome from your new LRTA President! If you missed the Spring Meeting in Alexandria, I want to tell you all what a good time we had. Over 200 LRTA members attended this meeting. These meetings are very informative; plus, you meet new people and form lifelong friendships. I encourage you all to attend future Spring and Fall meetings if at all possible. I also invite everyone to come to Bossier City on October 22-24 for the Fall Meeting.

I wanted to tell you a little about myself and discuss my time with LRTA. I graduated from Centenary College and received my Master's degree in guidance and counseling from LSU. I also have a Master's +30 from LA Tech. I have a COE certification from Northwestern State University, and I am a Certified Notary and CPA.

Since I retired in 2005, I have been an active member of both Bossier RTA and LRTA. I was elected Secretary, Vice President and President of Bossier RTA, and I was elected District XI President. I was elected as Second Vice President of LRTA and First Vice President and membership chair. During my term as First Vice President, membership grew by 7%. During my time at LRTA, I have received the 2013 Name of Fame award and the Foundation Leadership award.

As President, I have three goals that I want to achieve during my time in office. These three goals include: membership, leadership and legislative proprieties.

I am very excited to begin my term in office. LRTA must grow to become stronger. We need to encourage our members to become involved in leadership roles and recruit teachers to join us as soon as they retire. We can be strong if we all work toward the same goal.

"Join me in making our retirement years great!!"

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy L. Quigley". The script is cursive and fluid.

Nancy L. Quigley
President, LRTA

Congratulations!

LRTA would like to congratulate and introduce the following incoming officers to the Executive Board:

Nancy L. Quigley as president,
Janis M. Hernandez as first vice president
Lazette L. Watterson as second vice president

LRTA would also like to thank **Dr. Lonnie Dunn** and **Bertha Breland**, who will now serve as Immediate Past President, for their time and dedication to the organization. We appreciate all that you have done for our members and the administration.

RECAP: 2018 REGULAR LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Provided below is a list of bills that were pre-filed and/or introduced for consideration by the Legislature during the 2018 Regular Session that potentially impacted you as a retired educator and/or your retirement system. The descriptions of the bills have been taken from the legislative text and digests.

The words in red are the positions of the LRTA Legislative Committee. The legislative session began on March 12 and ended on May 18, 2018. Three special sessions followed the regular session.

New Benefit Structure- Hybrid Plan

House Bill No. 39 by Representative Barry Ivey

- Proposes to establish a hybrid retirement plan consisting of a combination of a reduced accrual defined benefit (DB) pension and a defined contribution (DC) account for new members of each state system (on or after July 1, 2020). Current plan would be "Tier 1."
- Establishes a floating rate for new members based on an equal division of the cost of the plan for new members.
- Establishes a 6% interest rate to value normal cost and accrued liabilities attributable to hybrid plan.
- Defined benefit accrual = 1%; defined contribution account = requires a 10% of monthly pay credit (fully vested at 5 years).
- Retirement eligibility = 5 years at age 65 or 20 years at age 55 actuarially reduced.

LRTA Opposed, Did not run

Investments

House Bill No. 23 by Representative Barry Ivey

- Current law requires the board of trustees of a retirement system to act with skill, prudence, and diligence that a prudent institutional investor acting in a like capacity and familiar with such matters would use when investing system assets, and to apply this prudent-man rule to the context of the trust portfolio (i.e., not in isolation) as part of an overall investment strategy.
- As an exception to the prudent-man rule, proposes to require that no board shall invest more than 25% of its total portfolio in alternative investments.

**LRTA Opposed, Voluntarily
Deferred**

Senate Bill No. 530 by Senator John Milkovich

- Proposes that the TRSL Board of Trustees shall systematically review all investments contracts and reduce the fees paid under contract by one-half.

- Provides that the reductions be made in accordance with R.S. 11:263, the board's fiduciary duty, and no later than June 30, 2025.
- Effective June 30, 2018.

**LRTA Opposed, Voluntarily
Deferred**

House Bill No. 34 by Representative J . Kevin Pearson

- Current law requires each state and statewide retirement system with an investment strategy including allocation to international markets to establish an international terror-free index fund that identifies and screens from the fund companies having facilities or employees in a prohibited nation (Iran, N. Korea, Sudan, and Syria).
- Removes the requirement that such terror-free investments be in an index fund.

**LRTA Neutral, Signed into law.
Became Act No. 4**

Membership Charter School Teachers

House Bill No. 25 by Representative J. Kevin Pearson

- Current law, provides opt-in TRSL and Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System (LSERS) participation by charter school employers as provided in the school's approved charter.
- Proposes mandatory charter school participation in TRSL while retaining employer charter opt-in participation in LSERS.

§ Applies to 'Teachers' (TRSL-eligible employees).
§ Teachers contracted by the charter school prior to July 1, 2018, whose contract did not provide for membership in TRSL, will not become a member of TRSL until the expiration/termination of the contract.
§ Provides that "earnable compensation" for charter school teachers shall not include compensation that exceeds what they would receive if employed by the local public school system where the charter is located. (Consistent with current law.)

LRTA Supported Did not run

Board Actuary Duties

Senate Bill No. 4 by Senator Barrow Peacock

- Current law provides that the board of trustees of any state or statewide retirement system is

authorized to appoint an actuary or actuaries, independently or jointly.

- Proposed law restricts the actuary's duties only to the practice of actuarial science or ministerial duties, prohibiting the actuary from supervising or maintaining discretionary control over the administration or management of the system.
- Effective June 30, 2018.

LRTA Supported, Signed into law. Became Act No. 397

Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee (PRSAC)

Senate Bill No. 13 by Senator Barrow Peacock

- Removes PRSAC from the Dept. of Treasury.
- Provides that the chair and vice chair of PRSAC shall rotate between the Speaker of the House of Representatives, or his designee, and the President of the Senate, or his designee, biennially. Specifies that terms of office begin on July 1.
- Provides that on July 1, 2018, the President of the Senate's term as chair and the Speaker of the House of Representative's term as vice-chair shall begin.
- Effective July 30, 2018.

LRTA Neutral, Signed into law. Became Act No. 399

House Bill No. 11 by Representative Barry Ivey

- Current law imposes a fiduciary duty on any person who exercises any discretionary authority or discretionary control over the management of retirement system funds or assets or any person who renders investment advice for compensation with respect to system funds or assets.

§ A fiduciary must discharge his duties with respect to a system in the exclusive interest of the system members and beneficiaries.

§ A fiduciary who breaches the duties imposed is personally liable for losses to the plan, must restore any profits made through use of the system's assets, and is subject to equitable/remedial relief as deemed appropriate by a court.

LRTA Neutral, Voluntarily Deferred

House Bill No. 12 by Representative Barry Ivey

- Current law requires PRSAC to approve either a valuation submitted by the retirement systems or a valuation submitted by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor, and submit the approved valuation to the House and Senate Committees on Retirement and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget.
- Proposes to require PRSAC to submit to the Legislature the final approved valuation for each public retirement system as well as all additional assumptions

and valuations submitted to the committee.

- Requires the Legislative Auditor to submit a summary of the “disparities” between the various assumptions and valuations presented to PRSAC for each system.

LRTA Neutral, Voluntarily Deferred

House Bill No. 21 by Representative Barry Ivey

- Proposes to add 4 new members to PRSAC for a total of 11 members. New members would include:
 - § Two members from the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House; and
 - § Two members of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate.
- Changes quorum requirement from 6 out of 7 members to 9 out of 11 members.

LRTA Opposed, Voluntarily Deferred

House Bill No. 24 by Representative Barry Ivey

- Current law requires actuaries for the state/statewide retirement systems and the legislative auditor to each submit an annual actuarial valuation to PRSAC. PRSAC adopts a single valuation for each system, including actuarial assumptions such as the discount rate and assumed rate of return.
- Proposes to require the use of uniform reporting standards, as prescribed by PRSAC, in

presenting the discount rates and assumed rates of return.

LRTA No Position, Voluntarily Deferred

Funding Employer Contributions

House Bill No. 22 by Representative Barry Ivey

- Relative to state retirement systems, proposes a minimum 20% employer contribution rate for a state retirement system if the system is not and has never been 100% funded or if the system has been 100% funded after July 1, 2018, but the funded ratio has fallen below 90%.
- For “excess employer contributions” (employer contributions required by proposed law in excess of what they would be under present law):
 - § For funding purposes, system’s actuarial asset value shall exclude the funding deposit account balance. For other purposes, the funds in the account shall be considered assets of the system.
- Effective July 1, 2018.

LRTA Neutral, Voluntarily Deferred

Return to Work

House Bill No. 13 by Representative Gregory Miller

- Proposes to add presenter of professional development to the list of positions that a retiree may return to work and continue to receive a benefit check,

subject to a 25% of benefit earnings limitation.

- Effective July 1, 2018.

LRTA Neutral, Signed into law. Became Act No. 613

House Bill No. 14 by Representative Patricia Haynes Smith

- Proposes to add certified interpreter, educational transliterator, or educator of the hearing impaired to the list of critical shortage positions in which a retiree can return to work without a reduction of benefits.
- Other critical shortage areas in current law include: certified classroom teachers, certified speech therapists, speech pathologists, or audiologists, educational diagnosticians, school social workers, school counselors, and school psychologists.
- Effective July 1, 2018.

LRTA Neutral, Signed into law. Became Act No. 492

House Concurrent Resolution No. 82 by Representative Larry Bagley

- Creates the Task Force on Hiring Retired Teachers to meet Teacher Shortages to research the need for state and local policy changes regarding the rehiring of retired teachers.
- Requires the task force to submit a written report of findings and recommendations to the House and Senate Committees on Education and the

House and Senate Committees on Retirement by 12/31/18.

LRTA Supported, Voluntarily Deferred

House Bill No. 696 by Representative J. Kevin Pearson

- Proposes to add presenter of professional development to the list of positions that a retiree may return to work and continue to receive a benefit check, subject to a 25% of benefit earnings limitation.
- Effective July 1, 2018.

LRTA Neutral, Did not run. Provisions included in House Bill No. 13

Military Service

Senate Bill No. 17 by Senator Barrow Peacock

- Current state law, the Military Service Relief Act (MSRA), assures that La. citizens in the military shall not be penalized/economically disadvantaged because of uniformed service. The federal Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA), provides similar protections.
- Current USERRA allows system members to establish service credit for up to 5 years of credit when employment is interrupted by active duty.
- Updates provisions relative to time periods used to compute average compensation.
- Effective upon signature of

governor/lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

LRTA Supported, Signed into law. Became Act No. 225

Senate Bill No. 14 by Senator Barrow Peacock

- Proposes to establish a mandatory Hybrid Retirement Plan (HRP) for rank-and-file LASERS members who are hired on or after January 1, 2020, with the following benefit structure:
 - Defined Benefit Component (DBC):
 1. Employee contribution of 4% of pay.
 2. Employer contributions actuarially determined.
 3. Eligibility for retirement with five years of service at age 65.
 4. Lifetime annuity calculated according to the formula: $(1.5\%) \times (\text{years of service}) \times (\text{average compensation of highest 60 months})$.
 - Defined Contribution Component (DCC):
 1. Employee contribution of 4% of pay.
 2. Employer contribution of 3% of pay.
 - § As amended, DCC contributions to the member's account are limited to the amount set by Section 415(c) of the IRS Code.
 3. Account balance, including employee and employer contributions and investment earnings, fully vested in 48 months according to a

schedule.

4. Eligibility for retirement with five years of service at age 65.
 5. Minimum of 75% of the DCC account annuitized at retirement and the remaining balance paid in a lump sum.
 - § As amended, annuity based on the system's actuarially assumed rate of return less 2%, rather than 2.5%.
- Authorizes any rank-and-file member of LASERS hired on or after July 1, 2006, and on or before Jan. 1, 2020, to make an irrevocable election to join the HRP on or before Dec. 31, 2020.
 - § Allows any such member to retain the retirement age (of 60 or 62) the member has in the current plan.
 - Provides for eligibility for and calculation of disability and survivor benefits for rank-and-file members hired before July 1, 2006, and on or after July 1, 2006.
 - Makes present law survivor provisions for those hired before July 1, 2006, applicable to HRP members, and makes present law disability provisions for those hired on or after July 1, 2006, applicable to HRP members.
 - Provides for eligibility for and calculation of members' accrued benefits in the HRP and another LASERS plan. Uses the accrual rate of the plan in which the service credit was earned to calculate the portion of the benefit attributable to that service credit.
 - Provides a formula to assure that earnings attributable to HRP assets are not deposited in

the experience account.

§ Excludes HRP members from receiving PBIs from the experience account.

§ Provides for a 2% PBI to be granted to certain HRP retirees or beneficiaries in every odd-numbered year in which LASERS is at least 65% funded.

- Provides for conformity with the Internal Revenue Code including provisions for lump sum distributions.
- Effective June 30, 2018.

LRTA Neutral, Did not run

Constitutional Convention

House Bill No. 500 by Representative Neil Abramson

- Proposes to call a limited constitutional convention preceded by an Evaluation and Drafting Committee study to determine if a convention is needed.
- If determined a convention is needed, calls for a convention to convene on January 6, 2020; new constitution must be completed by May 30, 2020; to be submitted for a vote of the people on November 3, 2020.
- The areas to be addressed in the convention which are included in one or more of the bills are state and local finance, raising revenue, allocation and expenditure of funds, education funding, higher education, and retirement.

LRTA Opposed, Failed to pass

Senate Bill No. 218 by Senator Troy Carter

- Proposes to call a limited constitutional convention preceded by an Evaluation and Drafting Committee study to determine if a convention is needed.
- If determined a convention is needed, calls for a convention to convene on January 6, 2020; new constitution must be completed by May 30, 2020; to be submitted for a vote of the people on November 3, 2020.
- The areas to be addressed in the convention which are included in one or more of the bills are state and local finance, raising revenue, allocation and expenditure of funds, education funding, and higher education.

LRTA Opposed, Voluntarily Deferred

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LRTA *Name of Fame*



This year's Name of Fame award was presented to Mattie White from District I. Ms. White is an active member of LRTA and is extensively involved with her community. She retired in 2005 from Benjamin Franklin High School after over 37 years of service.

Ms. White is not only an active member with LRTA, but she is also an active member within her community. She is the Greater New Orleans Teachers of Mathematics corresponding secretary. She is a LaMsMATYC member and Retirees Chapter Board Representative for United Teachers of New Orleans. Ms. White is also an active member of Tulane Memorial Baptist Church and serves on several ministries.

Ms. White is the second vice president of District I and an adjunct professor of mathematics at Delgado Community College. She currently lives in New Orleans.

LRTA Foundation Donations

Bossier Parish RTA in Memory of: All deceased retired teachers from Bossier Parish from April 2017 through April 2018

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Mrs. Bertha Breland in Memory of: Rupert Breland and James Stewart

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Thank you to our generous donors

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