2021 Virtual Spring Meeting Packets: District III



LOUISIANA RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Some of the resources in this packet are time-sensitive. For the most up-to-date information, please visit the LRTA website at www.lrta.net. Resources, like survey results and impending legislation, are updated regularly on the LRTÁ website.

The resources in this packet will be vital throughout the 2021 Regular Legislative Session. Please keep this packet and encourage fellow retirees to learn more about LRTA at www.lrta.net.

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Pre-filed Bills

The deadline to pre-file retirement bills was 5 p.m., Friday, February 26. Provided below is a list of bills LRTA will monitor and/or track during the 2021 Regular Session. The listing provides the position LRTA will recommend taking on each of the bills. It is anticipated that other bills, and perhaps some resolutions, will be added to this list of legislation to be monitored by LRTA once the session begins. For an up-to-date list of bills LRTA is tracking, visit http://bit.ly/2021bills.

Tracking:

House Bill 22 by Rep. Jeremy Lacombe

Provides for the transfer of certain employees of the La. School Boards Assoc. from the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of La. (PERS) to the Teachers' Retirement System of La. (TRSL).

LRTA will recommend a neutral position on this legislation

Senate Bill 22 by Senator Barrow Peacock

Proposes to raise retirement eligibility age for certain members whose first employment makes them eligible for membership in a state retirement system on or after July 1, 2020, as follows:

- 1. five years of service at the greater of age 67 or "age of retirement set by the Social Security Administration";
- 40 years of service at age 62; or 2.
- 3. 20 years of service at any age but actuarially reduced from age 62

LRTA will recommend a neutral position on this legislation

Senate Bill 24 by Senator Ed Price

Provides a minimum benefit increase for certain retirees, beneficiaries, and survivors of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana, Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System, Louisiana School Employees' Retirement System, and State Police Retirement System. This includes:

Any retiree who on 6/30/21, meets the following criteria:

- He has 30 or more years of service credit.
- He has been retired for 15 years or more.
- He receives a monthly retirement benefit of less than \$1,450 dollars.
- He is at least 60 years of age.

• He has neither participated in the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) nor chosen the Initial Benefit Option (IBO).

LRTA will recommend supporting this legislation

Monitoring: House Bill 35 by Rep. Charles Owen

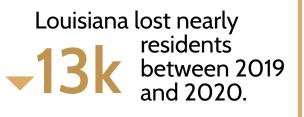
Provides for cost-of-living adjustments for members of the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System and authorizes the board of trustees of the system to modify required employer contributions.

LRTA will monitor this legislation as it could impact future COLAs for state retirement systems

Join the LRTA Email Club for regular updates through the 2021 Regular Legislative Session: https://bit.ly/LRTAEmailClub

Topics to Watch: Tax Reform

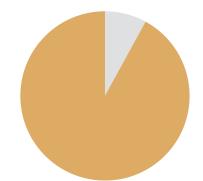
With the Regular Session just weeks away, we are already seeing trends in what could be "hot topic" issues for legislation. One topic that has emerged is legislators' desire to centralize the current tax system and change the tax rates. Currently, retired teachers are exempt from state income tax on their retirement benefits. In 2017, legislators toyed with the idea of removing the state income tax exemption on retired teachers and LRTA successfully lobbied against this proposal. LRTA will monitor any tax legislation that would affect this exemption, as well as any legislation on constitutional conventions/amendments that could affect retirement benefits. See links to the articles and research on page 12.



The National Institute for Retirement Security (NIRS) indicates

\$3.2 billion in direct economic impacts for the state of Louisiana were supported by retirees' initial expenditures.

Retirees are still subject to other taxes that contribute to local parishes and the state of Louisiana. Rémoving the state income exemption for retirees would cost retirees hundreds to thousands of dollars annually, further diminishing their purchasing power.



According to TRSL, almost 90% of the retirement dollars TRSL pays out goes to individuals who livé in Louisiana where they buy local goods and services.

Topics to Watch: COLAs

For retirement, we continue to monitor for legislation that could impact the current defined benefit plan, as changes to the current plan would have a negative impact on retired teachers. There is some good news: Senator Ed Price has filed a bill that would provide for a "hardship" COLA for Louisiana's retired teachers in the most need. This is SB 24.

We are pleased to see a bill that would provide for a hardship COLA for Louisiana's retired teachers in the most need, and LRTA SUPPORTS SB 24.

It's a step in the right direction, but we still have a ways to go. The last time retired teachers received a COLA was in 2016. We will have more information regarding the history of COLAs and how COLAs are granted in our Spring Newsletter. Here's the gist:

In order for retirees to receive a COLA, the retirement system must meet certain criteria, or "hurdles."

Since there are hurdles that must be met to grant a COLA, LRTA cannot approach legislators to author these bills. Our role is to review the legislation and recommendations from the TRSL Board of Trustees, THEN take a position on the bill.

Supporting COLAs

- The purpose of a COLA is to preserve the purchasing power of the retiree, which erodes over time due to rising living costs and inflation. In the case of SB 24, the COLA also serves to lift eligible retirees above the poverty level.
- Retirees contribute billions of dollars to their local and state economy, as many retirees are purchasing goods and services in their communities.
- For many retired teachers, their pension is their primary source of retirement income. While pensions provide a steady retirement income, a COLA would allow retirees to further contribute to the state's economy. Plus, a COLA would provide some financial peace of mind, especially for retirees below the poverty level.

Topics to Watch: GPO/WEP

While the GPO and WEP are federal provisions (and must require federal action to change), the Louisiana legislature typically passes resolutions that urge Congress to repeal the GPO and WEP during each regular legislative session.

As a reminder, the GPO and WEP are federal provisions that reduce retired teacher's individual Social Security and/or survivor benefits. These provisions have unfairly penalized many retirees for years.

Ultimately, it will take action from Congress to repeal the GPO and WEP. Rep. Rodney Davis of Illinois has filed H.R. 82, or the Social Security Fairness Act of 2021. This is bill is similar to H.R. 141, which was also filed by Rep. Davis. Although H.R. 141 dies in Congress, it received bipartisan support and over 260 cosponsors. All Louisiana's U.S. Representatives cosponsored H.R. 141.

All four of Louisiana's current members of Congress, Rep. Garret Graves, Rep. Clay Higgins, Rep. Mike Johnson and Rep. Steve Scalise, have cosponsored H.R. 82. We have set up VoterVoice on our website so members can thank their representatives for cosponsoring the bill.

LRTA is also surveying candidates running for Congressional Districts 2 and 5 for their views on the GPO and WEP. LRTA SUPPORTS the repeal of the GPO and WEP and will keep members updated on the progress of H.R. 82.

VoterVoice and Virtual Activism

Although we are on the road to recovery, the upcoming session will still look different from what we have experienced in the past. We anticipate there will be little physical activity from any outside visitors at the State Capitol, and, at this time, do not encourage attending in-person meetings. So, what can we do?

First, make sure you are subscribed to the LRTA Email Club for that latest news and updates on the legislative session. LRTA has invested in a new tool, VoterVoice, that will make it easier for you to contact your legislators and complete calls to action. We will include this tool in our email blasts so you can immediately contact your legislators when the time comes.

We will continue to provide resources, like our sample letters and talking points, in our email blasts. Make sure to catch up on our "Becoming a Virtual Activist" series on our website, www.lrta.net/becomingavirtualactivist. This series breaks down important topics every retired teacher needs to know, such as understanding the current defined benefit plan and how to write letters and call legislators. We even have instructional videos to show you how to write letters or use our VoterVoice tool.

We will make our voices heard, even if it's from more than six feet away!

Virtual Spring State Meeting

On April 20, LRTA will hold the Virtual Spring State Meeting. This meeting will be a virtual version of our traditional Spring State Meeting. The Virtual Spring Meeting will begin with the Executive Board meeting, which will take place virtually with Zoom Webinar. Members must register to observe the meeting. Due to limited space, the first 100 members who register for the Executive Board meeting will receive information to observe the meeting.

Following the Board meeting, registered members will receive email blasts from LRTA with links view pre-recorded general sessions from:

- Katherine Whitney, Director of TRSL
- Legislative Chair
- Association Member Benefits Advisors

Registration is also required for the general sessions. Registration for the Virtual Spring Meeting will open on the LRTA website March 29, 2021. Members may register to watch presentations ad hoc or watch all presentations. All presentations will be available for viewing after the Virtual Spring Meeting.

Members who register for the meeting and presentations will receive an email with LRTA with information on joining the meetings or viewing the general sessions throughout the day on April 20. If you have any questions, please contact the state office at info@lrta.net.



Rodney Watson, LRTA Executive Director and Clyde Hamner, LRTA State

VIRTUAL STATE SPRING MEETING

APRIL 20, 2021

Encourage Others to Join LRTA Today!

Your membership with LRTA supports our services to you, such as providing resources, producing newsletters, etc. We are able to do what we do thanks to members like you. LRTA is the only organization in the state that is solely devoted to advocating for Louisiana's retired teachers.

There's strength in our numbers! Encourage friends, colleagues and recent retired teachers to join LRTA today. Make sure to encourage them to join the LRTA Email Club as well. Members of the Email Club receive the most up-to-date and timely information (extremely vital during legislative sessions).

To join LRTA online, visit https://lrta.net/membershipforms/.

To join the LRTA Email Club, visit https://bit.ly/LRTAEmailClub.

LRTA Membership Levels

Associate Membership (active teachers or individuals interested in supporting LRTA) - \$12 annually

Active Membership - \$30 annually

*Auto-Deduct Membership - \$30 automatically deducted from your retirement check once a year on April 1

Life Membership - \$600 one-time payment; 79 years of age and under

Life Membership - \$300 one-time payment; 80 years of age and over

*Auto-deduction requires signature authorization, which cannot be done online. Dues-deduction forms are available for download on the LRTA website.

After this page, you will find the following resources:

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- 2021 LRTA Legislative Priorities
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Resources

Research and Talking Points

Article from TheAdvocate describing legislators' desire for tax reform: https:// www.theadvocate.com/baton_rouge/news/politics/legislature/article_3bccadbe-6679-11eb-8dd6-1758740be37e.html

Article from TheAdvocate evaluating the drop in Louisiana's population between 2019 and 2020: https://www.theadvocate.com/baton_rouge/news/business/article_3833634c-5cdc-11eb-951d-b39a30651d28.html

National report evaluating the economic impact public pensions have locally and nationally: https://www.nirsonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Pensionomics-2021-Report-Final-V6.pdf

Post from LRTA breaking down our current Defined Benefit (DB) plan and why we support it: https://lrta.net/understanding-defending-current-defined-benefit/

Talking points for why we support the current plan, oppose changing to a DC and/or Hybrid plans, and oppose constitutional conventions and amendments that target retirement and education: https://bit.ly/TalkingPointsStack

Our Advocacy Tools: https://bit.ly/AdvocacyToolsStack

Infographics breaking down research articles that show why DB plans are good recruitment and retention tools: https://bit.ly/ResearchSummaries



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LRTA supports legislation that will positively affect retired teachers and opposes legislation that will adversely affect retired teachers. LRTA also supports efforts to maintain adequate funding for top quality public education in Louisiana. Although these priorities are listed in numerical order, the items listed are all top priorities of LRTA.

- 1. LRTA **supports** are tirement benefit structure administered by the Teachers' Retirement increases to preserve the purchasing power of retirees.
- the Initial Unfunded Accrued Liabilities (IUALs) of the Teachers' Retirement System of
- retired educators in enhancing their dignity, independence and overall quality of life.
- 4. LRTA supports funding from state funds to offset increasing costs of health insurance other health care insurers and providers.
- 5. LRTA opposes any action that would negatively impact the actuarial soundness of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana.
- other retirement system.
- with any other retirement system, and opposes any other action that would dilute Louisiana.
- Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana to its members.
- to become members of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana.
- secondary school students to attend private and non-public schools.
- coverage of public employees in Louisiana.
- 12. LRTA supports the continuation of Louisiana state income tax exemption for retirement benefits issued by the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana.
- 13. LRTA **opposes** any legislation or bill that would cut or diminish Medicare benefits.
- 14. LRTA **opposes** any legislation that calls for a state constitutional convention.



System of Louisiana that includes adequate and stable funding for regular cost-of-living

2. LRTA supports dedicated allocations from state funds to meet the state's obligation to reduce Louisiana without causing an adverse budget impact on public education agencies or retirees.

3. LRTA supports state revenue enhancements that provide a meaningful economic impact on

premiums and other benefits for retired educators offered by the Office of Group Benefits and

6. LRTA opposes the consolidation of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana with any

7. LRTA opposes the consolidation of assets of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana membérship control of the investment of the assets of the Teachers' Retirement System of

8. LRTA **opposes** any action that would alter the current defined benefit structure offered by the

9. LRTA supports aviable, adequately funded public education program that requires educators

10.LRTA opposes the provision of state funded scholarships/vouchers for public elementary and

11. LRTA **supports** repeal of the Government Pension Offset (GPO) and the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) of the Social Security Administration and opposes mandatory Social Security

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LRTA DISTRICT III LEGISLATORS CONTACT INFORMATION – Updated February 12, 2021

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St. Helena Parish

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17	Senator	Rick Ward III - R	3741 Highway 1	Port Allen	70767	(225) 246-8838	wardr@legis.la.gov
72	Representative	"Robby" Carter - D	225 NW Central Avenue	Amite	70422	(337) 491-2320	carterr@legis.la.gov

Pleaseuse this information if LRTA calls upon you to contact your legislators regarding a Constitutional Amendment or Constitutional Convention.

St. Tammany Parish

Leg. District #	Senator or Representative	Name	Street Address	City	Zip Code	Phone Number	Email
1	Senator	Sharon Hewitt - R	250 Bouscaren Street Suite 201	Slidell	70458	(985) 646-6490	hewitts@legis.la.gov
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12	Senator	Beth Mizell - R	1051 Main Street	Franklinton	70438	(985) 839-3936	mizellb@legis.la.gov
74	Representative	Larry Frieman - R	P.O. Box 1893	Abita Springs	70420	(985) 400-4670	hse074@legis.la.gov
75	Representative	Malinda White - D	116 Georgia Ave. Suite B	Bogalusa	70427	(985) 730-2147	whitema@legis.la.gov
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90	Representative	Mary Dubuisson - R	P.O. Box 44	Slidell	70459	(985) 645-3392	hse090@legis.la.gov
104	Representative	Paul Hollis - R	600 N. Highway 190 Suite 202A	Covington	70433	(985) 871-4680	hollisp@legis.la.gov

Tangipahoa Parish

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13	Senator	J. Rogers Pope - R	P.O. Box 555	Denham Springs	70727	(225) 667-3588	poper@legis.la.gov	
72	Representative	"Robby" Carter - D	225 NW Central Avenue	Amite	70422	(337) 491-2320	carterr@legis.la.gov	
73	Representative	Bill Wheat - R	P.O. Box 2473	Ponchatoula	70454	(985) 386-7844	hse073@legis.la.gov	
74	Representative	Larry Frieman - R	P.O. Box 1893	Abita Springs	70420	(985) 400-4670	hse074@legis.la.gov	
86	Representative	Nicholas Muscarello -R	P.O. Box 1523	Hammond	70404	(985) 974-0009	muscarellon@legis.la.gov	

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LRTA DISTRICT III LEGISLATORS – Updated February 12, 2021

The Louisiana Retired Teachers Association surveyed political candidates during the 2019 election cycles. The Association asked the candidates the following questions:

2. LRTA supports Permanent Benefit Increases (PBIs) when the criteria to grant one is met. TRSLbenefit recipients have not received a PBIsince 2016. Would you support legislation to grant a PBIshould TRSLmeet the criteria to grant one?

3. LRTA opposes constitutional conventions that would remove budgetary protections for education and retirement. If constitutional convention is proposed in a future legislative session would you oppose or veto these bills?

4. LRTA supports the repeal of the Government Pension Offset (GPO) and the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP). The GPO and the WEP are Social Security federal provisions that reduce retired public employee's individual Social Security and survivor benefits. Retired teachers in Louisiana are subject to the GPO and WEP. Given the opportunity, would you support the repeal of the GPO and WEP?

5. LRTA supports teacher and support staff pay raises and adequately funding education through the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP). Do you support teacher pay raises and adequately funding education through the MFP?

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Note: LRTA's position on all survey questions is "Yes." Candidates who answer "No" are in opposition of that priority.

Washington Parish

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1. LRTA opposes any legislation that would alter the defined benefit structure of the Teachers' Retirement System of Louisiana (TRSL). During previous legislative sessions several bills were created to switch the current defined benefit plan provided by TRSL to a hybrid plan. LRTAcontinues to oppose these bills, such as SB14 (2018) and HB28 (2019). If similar bills appeared in future legislative sessions, would you oppose or veto these bills?

The following are the responses LRTA received from legislators in your area. Lists are organized by parish then district number order.

sh	District	Senator or Representative	Name	Q1: Oppose Hybrid Plans	Q2: Support PBls	Q3: Oppose Constitutional Convention	Q4: Repeal GPO/WEP	Q5: Support Education
on	6	Senator	**Mack "Bodi" White Jr R	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
on	13	Senator	J. Rogers Pope - R	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
on	18	Senator	Eddie Lambert - R	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
on	64	Representative	Valarie Hope Hodges - R					
on	71	Representative	Buddy Mincey Jr R					
on	81	Representative	Clay Schexnayder - R					

Livingston	95	Representative	Sherman Mack - R					
St. Helena	6	Senator	**Mack "Bodi" White Jr R	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
St. Helena	17	Senator	Rick Ward III - R					
St. Helena	72	Representative	"Robby" Carter - D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
St. Tammany	1	Senator	**Sharon Hewitt - R					
St. Tammany	11	Senator	Patrick McMath - R					
St. Tammany	12	Senator	Beth Mizell - R					
St. Tammany	74	Representative	Larry Frieman - R					
St. Tammany	75	Representative	Malinda White - D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
St. Tammany	76	Representative	Bob Owen - R					
St. Tammany	77	Representative	Mark Wright - R					
St. Tammany	89	Representative	Richard Nelson - R					
St. Tammany	90	Representative	Mary Dubuisson - R					
St. Tammany	104	Representative	Paul Hollis - R					
Tangipahoa	6	Senator	**Mack "Bodi" White Jr R	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tangipahoa	11	Senator	Patrick McMath - R					
Tangipahoa	12	Senator	Beth Mizell - R					
Tangipahoa	13	Senator	J. Rogers Pope - R	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tangipahoa	72	Representative	"Robby" Carter - D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tangipahoa	73	Representative	Dr. Bill Wheat - R					
Tangipahoa	74	Representative	Larry Frieman - R					
Tangipahoa	86	Representative	Nicholas Muscarello -R					
Washington	12	Senator	Beth Mizell - R					
Washington	74	Representative	Larry Frieman - R					
Washington	75	Representative	Malinda White - D	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Blank spaces indicate that LRTA has not received results from this candidate.

Purple – previously voted "No" to HB 500 (Constitutional Convention). Orange – previously voted "Yes" to HB 500 (Constitutional Convention). ** - previously voted "Yes" to SB14 (Hybrid Plans) *** - previously voted "No" to SB14 (Hybrid Plans)

Note: LRTA's position on all survey questions is "Yes." Candidates who answer "No" are in opposition of that priority.