2019 Legislation Impacting LASERS with RSEA Recommended Positions and Final Outcomes:

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| **HB 28 – Ivey** | **RSEA: Oppose Final: Deferred** |
| **Systems Impacted: All Four (4) State Retirement Systems**  Provides for a new hybrid retirement plan for members of the four (4) state retirement systems whose first employment occurs on or after July 1, 2020. | |

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| **HB 29** | **–** | **Johnson, Robert** | | **RSEA: Neutral** | **Final: Passed** | |
| **System Impacted: LASERS**  Provides for the calculation of the retiree’s portion of health insurance premiums for certain Hazardous Duty Services Plan retirees in the same manner as other state retirees, once member reaches regular age for retirement.   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **HB 392 – Henry** | **RSEA: Support** | **Final: Passed** | | **System Impacted: LASERS and TRSL**  Supplemental Appropriations: Appropriates $9,478,184 of surplus funds to LASERS to be applied to the initial unfunded accrued liability (IUAL). The appropriation of surplus funds towards the retirement system debt is constitutionally required. | | | | | | | | | |
| **SB 9 – Peterson** | | | | **RSEA: Neutral** | **Final: Passed** | |
| **System Impacted: LASERS**  Removes future employees of the Regional Transit Authority (RTA) of New Orleans hired on or after July 1, 2019 from the state civil service and LASERS. | | | | | | |
| **SB 14 – Peacock** | | | | **RSEA: Neutral** | **Final: Did Not Pass** | |
| **Systems Impacted: State and Statewide**  Provides for term limits for members of state and statewide retirement systems’ boards of trustees to a time limit of no more than 12 consecutive years of service, effective 6/30/19.   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | | | | | | | |
| |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **SB 15 – Long**  **RSEA: Support**  **Final: Passed (Act 42)** | **tt** | **RSEA: Neutral** | | | | |
| **System Impacted: LASERS**  Provides for firefighters of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry to be members of the LASERS Hazardous Duty Plan and for training requirements for membership eligibility, effective 6/30/19.   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **HCR 20 – Jones, Sam** | **RSEA: Support** | **Final: Passed** | | **System Impacted: Of Interest to LASERS and RSEA**  Memorializes Congress to consider eliminating the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and the Government Pension Offset (GPO) Social Security Offsets (benefit reductions). Although these resolutions have no effect of law, the Louisiana Legislature is on record urging action at the federal level on this issue impacting numerous retired state employees, retired teachers, and their spouses, as well as, law enforcement officers, public safety workers and others.   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **SCR 34 – Mizell, Beth** | **RSEA: Support** | **Final: Passed** | | **System Impacted: Of Interest to LASERS and RSEA**  Memorializes Congress to consider eliminating the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) and the Government Pension Offset (GPO) Social Security Offsets (benefit reductions). Although these resolutions have no effect of law, the Louisiana Legislature is on record urging action at the federal level on this issue impacting numerous retired state employees, retired teachers, and their spouses, as well as, law enforcement officers, public safety workers and others. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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