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## **LASERS to Present Pension System Update at Acadiana Chapter RSEA Meeting**

**Baton Rouge** – Cindy Rougeou, Executive Director of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS), will speak to the Acadiana chapter of RSEA on Wednesday, March 15, 9:30 a.m., at the Scott Events Center, 110 Lions Club Road, Scott. Active state employees and retirees from Acadia, Evangeline, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, and Vermillion parishes are expected to attend.

Rougeou will address current issues affecting state employees and retirees' pension benefits, including the upcoming 2017 Regular Legislative Session. Rougeou will be available for interviews before and after the presentation. RSEA members will also be available for interviews.

In the Acadiana RSEA chapter region, 3,630 LASERS retirees and beneficiaries received more than \$84 million in gross retirement benefits in fiscal year 2016.

LASERS administers a defined benefit pension plan that covers approximately 100,000 members. *LASERS Benefits Louisiana* by paying over \$1 billion in annual benefits to beneficiaries, providing a strong and reliable economic stimulus for the state.

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