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## **LASERS to Present Pension System Update at Baton Rouge RSEA Meeting**

**Baton Rouge** – Cindy Rougeou, Executive Director of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS), will speak to the Baton Rouge chapter of RSEA on Thursday, March 15, 9:30 a.m., at the BREC Admin Building, 6201 Florida Blvd., Baton Rouge. Active state employees and retirees from Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Livingston, Point Coupee, West Baton Rouge, and West Feliciana parishes are expected to attend.

Rougeou will address current issues affecting state employees and retirees' pension benefits, including a new retirement plan for future state employees proposed in the upcoming 2018 Regular Legislative Session. Rougeou will be available for interviews before and after the presentation. RSEA members will also be available for interviews.

In the Baton Rouge RSEA chapter region, 14,480 LASERS retirees and beneficiaries received more than \$398 million in gross retirement benefits in fiscal year 2017.

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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