

August 1, 2019

The Honorable Kevin Brady
House Ways and Means Committee
U.S. House of Representatives

Re: H.R. 3934

Dear Congressman Brady:

At its July 2019 meeting, the Board of Trustees for the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS) voted to support H.R. 3934, the Equal Treatment of Public Servants Act of 2019.

Louisiana public employees in the LASERS System do not participate in Social Security. Consequently, any LASERS members, who also earned a Social Security benefit, are penalized by the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP). In order to assist its members, the LASERS Board has for years made it a priority to seek repeal or modification of the WEP.

Because H.R. 3934 attempts to provide a more equitable formula in calculating the WEP, the LASERS Board of Trustees appreciates your introduction of this measure and urges its passage.

Best regards,



Cindy Rougeou
Executive Director

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