

2017-2018 WSSRA/TCSRA Legislative Priorities:

We have 4 policy goals for 2017-18. Please communicate these to your legislators.

1. Restore a Plan 1 Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). Plan 1 retirees have not had a COLA since 2010 and have lost over 12% of their purchasing power due to inflation.
2. Increase the State's Medicare-eligible Healthcare Benefit to \$205 per month. This will restore the 2011 cut in benefit from \$183 to \$150 and mitigate the loss of purchasing power from increasing healthcare premiums.
3. Maintain the TRS 2, PERS 2, & SERS 2 defined benefit pension plans for future school employees.
4. Make the actuarially recommended pension payment to the state's pension accounts. TRS & PERS 1 are underfunded due to past skipped payments by the State. Making the recommended payment will put Plan 1 funding back on track.

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