

Will the State Keep Its Promise? Are SURS Pensions At Risk?



An Invitation to All SUAA Members
from
The University of Illinois Chicago SUAA Chapter

With the defeat of the 'Fair Tax' Referendum, numerous articles have appeared asking for a Constitutional Amendment which would address the State's gigantic debt by empowering the State government to reduce pension benefits. Some states are already planning to reduce or eliminate pensions. Are our pensions in serious danger?

The UIC Chapter of SUAA [State Universities Annuitants Association] will present a **Webinar on Wednesday, February 24th at 1 p.m. Central Standard Time**. To preregister for this event please click on [INVITE](#). The Zoom link will be sent to you on the afternoon of February 23rd from SUAA.

Two very knowledgeable speakers will tell us about the future of our pensions.



Professor Ann M. Lousin

Before joining the John Marshall Law School faculty in 1975, Ann Lousin was a research assistant at The Sixth Illinois Constitutional Convention in 1970 and a staff assistant to the Illinois House of Representatives from 1971 to 1975 where she was Parliamentarian of the House from 1973 to 1975. She speaks and writes

on issues of Illinois government and has written a book, *The Illinois State Constitution: A Reference Guide*, published in 2009. She is regarded as the premier authority on the Illinois Constitution.

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(Article XIII, Section 5). He is viewed as a leading authority on the issues surrounding public pension reform.

Neither Professor Lousin nor Mr. Madiar are strangers to SUAA. Please join us for an informative discussion.