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Louisiana Watchdog Group PAR Gets Honors

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The Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana (PAR) which provides incisive and sometimes controversial opinions on issues facing institutions received two national awards from the Governmental Research Association (GRA). GRA is a national organization of individuals and groups who study and make recommendations on state and local policy issues. The awards to PAR were presented during the annual GRA conference held last week in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

PAR received the Most Distinguished Research award for its report "NCLB: A Steep Climb Ahead" and the Most Effective Education award for its report "Public Employee Retirement: A Time for Change."

In its report on the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB), PAR examined the impact of NCLB on Louisiana's education accountability program and raised concerns about the long-term implications of federal accountability. PAR's retirement report examined the state's fragmented retirement systems and outlined reforms that can help prevent funding problems from spinning out of control in the future. Some of these reforms were enacted in the past legislative session.

These awards are among 30 PAR has received from the GRA for its research since the 1950s.

"This national recognition for the high quality of our research is truly an honor to be shared not only by the entire PAR staff but also by our more than 3,000 individual and corporate members statewide," said Jim Brandt, PAR President.

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