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APWU LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES IN THE 118TH CONGRESS

Bill Information	Why We Support This Bill
Social Security Fairness Act (H.R. 82, S.597)	Repeals the Government Pension Offset (GPO) and the Windfall Elimination Provision (WEP) to end earned benefit reductions for Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) retirees who have qualified for Social Security, and their spouses.
Federal Retirement Fairness Act (H.R. 5995)	Allows temporary postal and federal employees who are promoted to career positions the option of "buying back" their time as a non-career employee to use toward their retirement.
Vote at Home Act (H.R. 1439, S.700)	Requires that every registered voter in the nation automatically receive their ballot via USPS with prepaid postage.
Protecting the Right to Organize (PRO) Act (H.R. 20, S.567)	Makes it easier to join unions, helps end anti-union "right-to-work" laws, and increases worker protections.
Equal COLA Act (H.R. 866, S. 3194)	Ends the disparity in COLAs for CSRS and FERS retirees.
Freedom to Vote Act (H.R. 11, S. 2344)	Expands voting rights by mandating early voting, automatic voter registration, no-excuse tracked vote-by-mail, and more.
USPS Shipping Equity Act (H.R. 3721)	Fully removes the current prohibition on the Postal Service from shipping beer, alcohol, and wine direct to consumers, allowing USPS to compete with private carriers in this sector.
Social Security Expansion Act (H.R. 1046, S. 393)	Increases benefits by \$200/month, raises COLAs, brings back student benefits, and lifts the cap on Social Security taxes so that the rich will begin to pay their fair share.
People Over Pentagon Act (H.R. 1134)	Reduces the amount of funding the Department of Defense receives by \$100 billion to better fund social programs.
House Resolution 277 & 439: Service Standards and Anti- Privatization	Expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that USPS must restore its service standards to those in effect as of July 1, 2012 and take all appropriate measures to ensure that the Postal Service is not subject to privatization.

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