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**Representatives King, Plummer**

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**A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge Congress to repeal the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset. 1  
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**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF OHIO (THE SENATE CONCURRING):**

WHEREAS, The Windfall Elimination Provision was enacted in 1983 to equalize the earned Social Security benefits of workers who spend part of their careers in exempt public service and workers who spend their entire careers participating in Social Security; and 3  
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WHEREAS, The Windfall Elimination Provision reduces the Social Security benefits of public servants who receive a pension for public service that was not subject to Social Security taxes; and 8  
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WHEREAS, The Windfall Elimination Provision's flawed practical application diminishes nearly 150,000 Ohioans' retirement security and fails to recognize their rightfully 12  
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earned Social Security and public pension benefits; and 15

WHEREAS, The Government Pension Offset reduces the Social 16  
Security spousal or survivor benefit paid to an individual's 17  
spouse who receives a government pension based on the spouse's 18  
own public employment not covered by Social Security; and 19

WHEREAS, The Government Pension Offset reduces an 20  
individual's Social Security spousal or survivor benefit by two- 21  
thirds of the individual's own government pension, leaving many 22  
without adequate retirement income; and 23

WHEREAS, It is estimated that the Government Pension Offset 24  
affects and undermines the financial security of more than 25  
100,000 Ohioans; and 26

WHEREAS, There are 1.7 million participants in Ohio's 27  
public retirement systems and over 450,000 beneficiaries and 28  
recipients; and 29

WHEREAS, Members of the 118th United States Congress have 30  
introduced legislation to repeal the Windfall Elimination 31  
Provision and the Government Pension Offset; now therefore be it 32

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 135th General 33  
Assembly of the State of Ohio, in adopting this resolution, urge 34  
the Congress of the United States to repeal the Windfall 35  
Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset; and be 36  
it further 37

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 38  
transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the 39  
President Pro Tempore and Secretary of the United States Senate, 40  
the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of 41  
Representatives, the members of the Ohio Congressional 42  
delegation, and the news media of Ohio. 43