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*** SPECIAL BULLETIN ***

Rep. Walter Jones (NC-03) Becomes First Republican Co-Sponsor of H.R. 1322

On June 12th, Congressman Walter Jones of North Carolina became the first Republican Member of Congress to support the Emergency Retiree Health Benefits Protection Act (H.R. 1322) by becoming a cosponsor, making this bill a true bipartisan effort. ProtectSeniors.Org has been working to increase the number of cosponsors on this important legislation and the addition of a Republican is a significant milestone.

This breakthrough occurred in the wake of ProtectSeniors.Org also getting H.R. 1322 included in the Pension Protection Act Amendments of 2008 (H.R. 6143) in May.

A special thank you goes out to those ProtectSeniors.Org members who live in Rep. Jones' District and urged him to support the bill. Your efforts really made a difference. But now we must work harder than ever to pass this important bill into law.

In this election year, it is so important to let your elected officials know that their support of retirees and this legislation will be a determining factor in your vote in November. America's retirees are hurting and cannot afford to vote for those in Washington, D.C. who are willing to let corporations steal retirees earned benefits.

Therefore, we ask that all ProtectSeniors.Org members again make contact with their Representative and urge them to support H.R. 1322 and H.R. 6143, a separate bill which includes the provisions of H.R. 1322.

We have included in this envelope a letter that you may address to your Representative. You may also consider including a personal note in the open space to tell your Representative why this issue is important to you. Then, just sign your name, include your contact information, fold and send to the pre-printed address on the back. Your letter will then be hand-delivered to your Representative by ProtectSeniors.Org Executive Director Paul Miller.

While this cosponsorship is worth celebrating and gets us a step closer to making H.R. 1322 law, there is still much work to be done to achieve our ultimate goal. We will continue our efforts and look forward to your continued support.