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Senator Claire McCaskill
US Senate
Washington D.C. 20510

Dear Claire

I am writing you to ask you to co-sponsor s484, the repeal of WEP/GPO provisions of Social Security. You signed on to s206 in 2007 which is the same bill and for that I wholeheartedly THANK YOU!

S484 will right an injustice to thousands of public servants who have EARNED, through hard work, these Social Security benefits. This bill would also assist the thousands of retirees who have lost trillions of dollars in retirement investments over the last year. These investments were saved to fund a decent retirement for Missouri retirees and for those retirees less than 65 years of age, and to pay for more and more expensive healthcare premiums.

I speak not only for myself but for over 17,500 members and their families who are retired teachers and members of MRTA (Missouri Retired Teachers Association) as their Executive Director. The passage of s484 would help Missouri become a retiree friendly state and, in turn, would be an economic stimulus. Retirees spend the dollars they have just to live decently in today's world and to pay for healthcare. As a side note the Kansas City Police Department is in the same boat as retired teachers here in Missouri. I am sure they would appreciate your support. President Obama also supports this Legislation and has done so in writing.

I wrote you on this subject early in 2009 and have yet to hear from you. I would sincerely appreciate your time and attention to this request.

Sincerely

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