



Washington State Federation National Legislative Chairman Report December 9, 2020

Activities:

Since the September 30, 2020, WSF EB meeting, I attended a Zoom meeting with Rep. Rick Larsen, (WA-02) District Director and Lindsey Webb, District Communications Liaison talking about NARFE's Legislative priorities. I asked them to ask the Congressman to co-sponsor HR 1254 Equal COLA Act and HR 1553 Fair COLA for Seniors act. I also attended a zoom meeting with Representative Suzan DelBene's Chief of Staff, Aaron Schmidt and Morgan Dykeman, District staffer. I requested that they ask the Congresswoman to co-sponsor HR 1254 Equal COLA Act and HR 1553 Fair COLA for Seniors act. I next want to work with the Tri-Cities Chapter to ask Congressman Dan Newhouse (WA-04) to co-sponsor HR-141. I have been receiving email news for each of our 10 Congressional Districts. These are very informative on what is going on with their Congressional District.

I have used the Legislative Action Center to send a letter to Representative DelBene regarding the conversion of federal employees civil service merit systems protection to Schedule F, excepted service. Representative DelBene replied with concerns upon the federal service that the Executive Order 13597 will have upon the federal service.

Upcoming:

Even though Congress is in limited sessions I encourage you to use the Legislative Action Center to send an email to our Representatives and Senators concerning NARFE's priority issues. Some progress is being made legislatively in the House but very very slow in the Senate. It is important that our elected officials hear from us even during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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