

The WEP/GPO bill HR-82, FERS Equity Act and Fairness in Retirement Act appear to be on the verge of making it out of committee. There are enough co-sponsors but there is more work to be done.

NARFE National has asked members to keep writing their legislators in Washington and hopefully we can get one or more of these bills onto the House floor and passed.

OPM has issued rules to protect the independent Civil Service and keep Schedule F at-will federal service from being implemented if there is a change in administration.

The Director of the Office of Personnel Management is stepping down. Khiran Ahuja has been the longest serving OPM Director in some time, three years, after OPM went without a permanent Director for a long period.

The Impeachment Trial for the Secretary of Homeland Security has concluded with no action.

Delaware government actions can be followed at legis.delaware.gov.

OPM's push to put resources on retirement processing appears to be paying fruit as the backlog of claims is at its lowest level in many years

There has been much news about incorrect beneficiaries and contingent benefices with OPM and TSP. Now is the time to ensure that your beneficiary order of precedence is correct especially if you have encountered a family death or change in marital status. Talk to your financial or accounting professional.

If you are in TSP and turning 72+ you must also consider your distribution options. Talk to your financial or accounting professional. You worked too hard to pay tax penalties. If you are looking to do a charitable distribution Alzheimer's is the charity of choice for NARFE. Go where your heart is.

NARFE Fed-Con 24 National Conference is taking place in St. Louis, Missouri from August 18 through August 20. More information can be found at <https://fedcon.narfe.org/>.

As always if you need assistance, please contact the appropriate Chapter 1690 Officer or Committee Chair listed in the newsletter.

Respectfully submitted
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