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SOCIAL SECURITY OFFSET/WINDFALL

Reform Update

March 13, 2018

GOVERNMENT PENSION OFFSET (GPO)

The GPO affects SERS retirees or disability benefit recipients who are, or will be, receiving a Social Security benefit based on their spouse's Social Security account. This includes surviving spouses qualifying on an ex-spouse's account. The GPO does not apply to the spouse's own Social Security benefit. It does not affect Medicare coverage.

WINDFALL ELIMINATION PROVISION (WEP)

The WEP affects SERS retirees or disability benefit recipients who are, or will be, receiving a Social Security benefit based on their own Social Security employment record. If you had a private sector job and were contributing to Social Security for that job, the WEP will affect the Social Security benefit you would receive based on the private sector job.

CURRENT LEGISLATION:

Bill #	Windfall/Offset Description	Introduced By	Date Intro.	Ohio Co-Sponsors
H.R. 1205	To amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government Pension Offset and Windfall Elimination Provisions. Companion bill to S. 915.	Rep. Rodney Davis (R-IL)	2/21/2017	Joyce Beatty Marcia Fudge David Joyce Marcy Kaptur Tim Ryan Steve Stivers Michael Turner
S. 915	Amends title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government Pension Offset and Windfall Elimination Provisions. Companion bill to H.R. 1205.	Sen. Sherrod Brown (D-OH)	2/13/2015	None

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