

Phone Script for NSPS

Office phone numbers for members of Congress can be found at www.senate.gov or www.house.gov. When calling, ask to speak to the staff member who handles Department of Defense issues for your member of Congress. Do not expect to speak directly with your Senator or Representative. Be prepared to give your full name and mailing address. If you are stationed overseas, be sure to give your stateside address so they know where you vote. Make sure to customize and personalize your message in the places indicated below, and in any other ways you can think of.

Staff Member: Hello.

Caller: May I speak with the staff member who handles Department of Defense issues for *Senator/Representative (name)*.

Staff Member: I can take your call.

Caller: Hello, my name is (*your name*) and I am an educator at (*your location*) calling to urge *Senator/Representative (name)* to stop the Department of Defense from implementing its new civilian personnel system.

The system the Department of Defense is trying to impose offers no protections for the basic rights of workers such as me. I am deeply concerned that it will lead to cronyism and poor morale among DoD workers. I, along with hundreds of thousands of other DoD civilian employees, work hard every day to support our military and protect our nation. We deserve much better. For the Department of Defense to say it must take away our rights in order to protect National Security is an outright lie.

Please tell *Senator/Representative (name)* to put a stop to the National Security Personnel System and make the Department of Defense work with employee unions to develop a real personnel system for the future.

Thank you.

If the person asks for information you do not have or cannot answer, tell them you will get back to them. Contact FEA at fea@feaonline.org and we will get you the information you need. If you haven't done so already, check our website at www.feaonline.org, the information may already be posted there.