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Honorable Walter B. Jones  
2333 Rayburn House Office Building  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Jones:

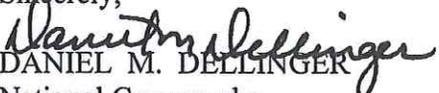
On behalf of the 2.4 million members of The American Legion I want to thank you for your support yesterday in opposing the House Amendment to S. 25, to partially restore the military retiree cost-of living adjustment (COLA) to military pensions.

Although recent votes by Congress to minimize the impact of the COLA reduction on military retirees have been steps in the right direction for repeal of the onerous COLA reduction, The American Legion's position remains full repeal of the COLA law.

Yesterday's bill continues to be a compromise that still penalizes some military servicemembers and future retirees. Congress must not place the responsibility for correcting the nation's financial problems due to the national debt solely on our servicemembers who earned their benefit by service to country.

Thank you for your leadership on this critical issue and for your support of America's veterans, servicemembers, and their families.

Sincerely,

  
DANIEL M. DELLINGER  
National Commander