

June 13, 2022

Dear Representative:

This week, the House Committee on Oversight and Reform is scheduled to consider **HR 7951, the Telework Metrics and Cost Savings Act**. The National Treasury Employees Union (NTEU) urges you to vote **YES** on this important legislation.

This legislation takes important steps to improve and update existing telework laws based on the lessons learned since the passage of the bipartisan Telework Improvements Act over ten years ago and during the COVID-19 pandemic. This bill requires the development of standards for collecting agency data on telework and supervisor training on managing teleworking employees. It also requires agencies track the cost savings achieved through the expansion of telework.

At federal agencies represented by NTEU, our member surveys have shown an increase in productivity and customer service with expanded telework during the pandemic. Further, robust telework programs have already led to the savings of tens of millions of taxpayer dollars due to savings from leasing costs of federal office buildings.

Given the clear benefits to employees and management, as well as to taxpayers, we urge the House Oversight Committee to move forward this important bill. If you or your staff have any questions, please feel free to contact Kurt Vorndran in our Legislation Department at 202.572.5500, ext 7056 or kurt.vorndran@nteu.org. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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