



July 20, 2020

Dear Representative:

The National Treasury Employees Union (NTEU), representing 150,000 federal employees across 33 agencies, strongly supports **Amendment #149**, offered by Representative Wexton to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 (H.R. 6395). NTEU asks that you vote **“YES”** on this amendment.

Under current law, federal employees who do not take their earned annual leave are able to roll over up to 240 hours of their unused annual leave each calendar year. This year, because of the pandemic and stay at home orders, many federal employees have not and likely will not be able to use their earned annual leave and will lose any leave they have earned over 240 hours at the end of the year. Representative Wexton’s amendment would address this issue by including pandemics as an exigency of public business for purposes of federal employee leave roll over, allowing hours in excess of 240 to be rolled over into next year.

This is an important issue for federal employees, many of whom have continued to work throughout this crisis. I urge you to support the Wexton amendment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anthony M. Reardon". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'A'.

Anthony M. Reardon
National President