



July 16, 2015

The Honorable Sam Johnson
3rd District, Texas
2304 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Johnson,

On behalf of the 1.3 million members of AMAC, the Association of Mature American Citizens, I am writing to extend our strong support for your bill, H.R. 918, the “Social Security Disability Insurance and Unemployment Benefits Double Dip Elimination Act.” This important piece of legislation seeks to responsibly address critical concerns regarding Social Security benefits.

While the future of Social Security is marked by fiscal uncertainty, it is imperative for Congress to take action to preserve benefits for rightful recipients and to protect the program against potential abuse. Under current law, it is possible for a person to receive Social Security disability benefits – reserved for those who *cannot* work – and unemployment benefits – meant for those who *can* work – at the same time. Allowing double-dipping within entitlement programs enables wider abuse of Social Security disability insurance and further complicates efforts to achieve fiscal solvency.

Like a majority of American citizens, AMAC remains very concerned about the future of Social Security and the need for entitlement reform. As an organization focused on the concerns of mature Americans, we understand the importance of acting promptly to protect vital taxpayer dollars and to prevent abuse of Social Security benefits. Additionally, we firmly believe that the Federal government has a responsibility to seniors and future generations to adopt commonsense proposals to make committed strides toward solvency.

Thanks to your leadership and attention, AMAC is proud to support H.R. 918, the “Social Security Disability Insurance and Unemployment Benefits Double Dip Elimination Act.” We feel H.R. 918 is a responsible bill that will restore accountability and stability within Social Security.

Sincerely,
Dan Weber
President and Founder of AMAC