

If You Were Born Before 1958:

**You May Be Eligible For \$350 Extra
In Retirement Benefits In 2020.**

**Act NOW if you want an extra \$350
payment from Social Security in 2020.**

Do you want an extra \$29-per-month increase in your Social Security benefits?

That's more than \$350 this year added to your Social Security benefits ... ON TOP OF your 1.6% Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) for 2020.

What would YOU do with an extra \$350?

if you want a \$29-a-month "bump" in your 2020 Social Security benefits, then you need to get on board with this national effort today. You should be supporting the "\$350 Benefit Bump" legislation in the U.S. Congress.

That's why I'm writing with step-by-step instructions to help you get what should be coming to you. Here's what I'm asking you to do RIGHT NOW:

FIRST: Sign your enclosed PETITION in support of the \$350 Benefit Bump and rush it back to me for delivery to your U.S. Representative in Congress, Ralph Lee Abraham of the 5th District of Louisiana.

SECOND: With your signed Petition, include your most generous DONATION of \$5, \$8 or even \$10 or more to help me and The Senior Citizens League continue our other important work, including the national lobbying campaign to get this law passed.

you know retirees have been getting less than we deserve from Social Security for a long time now. Sometimes, it seems like the deck is stacked against us.

You paid into Social Security all your life. You didn't have a choice. But now, when you need it, our government keeps nickeling and diming you to death. Your annual COLA is too low. Then it gets swallowed to pay for Medicare premium hikes. And, after years of promises from the government that Social Security would be there when you need it, you still can't make ends meet.

But I have a plan to change all that.

What I need to know right now,
is whether or not you'll make the choice today to get on board.

Here's what I have in mind ... but it won't be as effective without your support today ... so please read this and let me know whether I can count on your help:

The League's "\$350 BENEFIT BUMP" ACTION PLAN

1. U.S. Rep. John Larson of Connecticut is the Chairman of the

(Over, please...)



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Social Security Subcommittee in the 116th Congress. He's a good friend of retirees.

2. Larson has re-introduced his \$350 Benefit Bump legislation (officially named "The Social Security 2100 Act"). It had 174 Co-Sponsors in the last Congress, and it already has over 200 Co-Sponsors in the 116th Congress.
3. The bill is expected to be approved by the powerful Ways & Means Committee. It also has a good chance to be approved by a majority vote in the U.S. House of Representatives. And Senator Blumenthal has re-introduced the companion bill in the U.S. Senate.
4. I have a plan for building support in the U.S. Senate, but right now, we have to start where we are -- the House of Representatives.

And that's where YOU come in.

I'm counting on you to sign your enclosed Petition in support of the \$350 Benefit Bump for your U.S. Representative and rush it back to me today, so I can take it down to Capitol Hill to present to Congress.

Now look, it doesn't matter whether you've ever met your U.S. Representative. It doesn't matter if you're in the same political party or not. It doesn't even matter if you like them! The only thing that matters right now is that I must have your help to pressure them.

Otherwise, you won't get the \$29-a-month bump in your Social Security. Remember: That's an extra \$350 in 2020!

The \$350 Benefit Bump legislation is one of several pieces of legislation we are fighting for to increase your retirement benefits. You know you've been getting an unfair Cost-of-Living Adjustment (or "COLA"). Most years, it doesn't even come close to covering the rising prices of things you have to buy ... like the high cost of heating your home, or even a loaf of bread. And for three years in the last decade, you got no COLA at all!

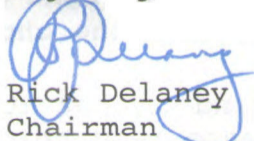
But now, you could see \$29 more per month in your Social Security check if you take action today to help me pass the \$350 Benefit Bump legislation. Remember: That's more than \$350 in 2020 and every year after that.

What are you waiting for?

You and I have a truly historic battle to fight in Congress, to get the fair amount of Social Security benefits we have coming to us. I hope I'm right to believe I can count on your help today.

Get your \$350
Benefit Bump!

Fighting to Get You an Extra \$350,


Rick Delaney
Chairman

P.S. You must act NOW. To get your \$350 Benefit Bump in 2020, you must help me pressure Members of Congress -- including your own Representative, to vote "YES" for the "\$350 Benefit Bump Legislation." The sooner that happens, the sooner your benefits will be increased.

P.P.S. Please return your signed Petition today if at all possible -- it's so urgent. And include a donation of \$10, \$15, or as much as \$25 or even more if you possibly can, to help me pay for our campaign for passage of this vital legislation, and our other important work.

Fight for Your "\$350 Benefit Bump"

PETITION AUTHORIZATION FORM & PERSONAL REPLY TO RICK DELANEY

RETURN TO: Attention Rick Delaney
The Senior Citizens League
"\$350 Benefit Bump" Petition Drive HQ
P.O. Box 97173
Washington, DC 20090-7173

For Office Use Only:
DOCUMENT NUMBER:

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URGENT NOTICE:

Sign your petition authorization today. Add your name to the growing list of retirees fighting for a \$350 Benefit Bump!

Dear Rick, **YES!** I join you in support of legislation that would provide a \$350 Benefit Bump that was re-introduced in the 116th Congress by U.S. Rep. John Larson.

- I understand this legislation will give me an immediate \$29-per-month increase in my Social Security benefits (that's **\$350** in 2020), among other improvements to the system, so I authorize you to add my name to the growing list of retirees on the **National Petition in Support of the "\$350 Benefit Bump" legislation.**
- I support your goal to collect 500,000 petition signatures by March 30, and I understand you must fund this grassroots effort. To help you pay for this

petition drive and the other organizational costs associated with it, along with the League's other programs, I enclose my most generous donation in the amount of:

\$5 \$8 \$10
 Other: \$ _____

thank you for your past support to the League.

*Please make your check payable to: **The Senior Citizens League or TSCL.** Thank you for your support! **Contributions or gifts to TSCL are not tax deductible.** Contributions are voluntary and no government funds are accepted. Please see other side for more information and your 100% Guarantee.*

NATIONAL PETITION IN SUPPORT OF the "\$350 Benefit Bump" legislation

officially known as the Social Security 2100 Act (H.R. 860)

To the Honorable Ralph Lee Abraham
of the 5th District of Louisiana

WHEREAS, I paid into Social Security my entire working life, and now I rely on my monthly benefits in retirement;

WHEREAS, Social Security is the most successful program in history, but its protections for retirees like me have been steadily eroding, due to taxes on benefits, low COLAs, and other cuts;

WHEREAS, Congressman John Larson of Connecticut has re-introduced the \$350 Benefit Bump legislation in the 116th Congress to modernize and strengthen Social Security for the next 75 years and beyond; and

WHEREAS, This legislation would expand benefits for all retirees (including an immediate \$350 benefit bump), protect me from rising prices, cut taxes on benefits, and make the rich pay their fair share to ensure Social Security's long-term solvency; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That I am joining forces with The League in its National Petition Drive in support of the \$350 Benefit Bump legislation and I call upon you as my elected Representative in Congress to support, co-sponsor, and vote "YES" for this important law.

Respectfully signed: _____ Date: _____

I am a Supporter of The League, and I will rely on that organization to keep me informed as to your response (or lack thereof) to this national Petition Drive of retired Americans in support of the \$350 Benefit Bump legislation.



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Why NOW Is the Time for the “\$350 Benefit Bump” Legislation

(Officially Named “The Social Security 2100 Act”)

...and Why YOU Need It!

Legislation in Congress means a simple and overdue solution to the problems facing Social Security — and it will not add one penny to the deficit. The “Social Security 2100 Act”:

- Expands monthly benefits for all
- Cuts taxes on Social Security benefits
- Keeps system solvent for 75+ years
- \$29-a-month (\$350) raise on average for all beneficiaries now
- More accurate COLA helps older retirees and widows
- The very rich pay their fair share of Social Security taxes
- Workers pay 50¢-a-week more initially to keep system solvent

**Urge Your U.S. Representative to Support
“The Social Security 2100 Act” (H.R. 860) in the 116th Congress!**

Your Senior Citizens League Guarantee!!!

Our 6-Member voluntary and unpaid Board of Trustees, Employees, and Volunteers have proudly pledged to serve and work for the interests of retirees. If at any time, for any reason, you are less than fully satisfied with our work, you may obtain a complete and immediate refund of your most recent contribution. Just send us a brief note, including your full address, and we will promptly refund your contribution.

**Warning: Never give out your Social Security number to unauthorized persons.
We do not want or need your Social Security number nor should you send it to us.**

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Washington: The required notice of solicitation is on file in the Office of the Secretary of State. Additional financial and other information is available from the Secretary of State at www.sos.wa.gov/charities/ or by calling 800-332-4483.
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