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TO: NEC, DEFCON, DoD Locals via DEFCON, and AFGE Staff

FROM: John Gage  
National President

SUBJECT: National Security Personnel System (NSPS) Update

This week AFGE and other unions filed the lawsuit against DoD on NSPS asserting that DoD did not involve the unions in the labor management portion of NSPS properly in accordance with the requirements of the law.

What's New!

- A new flyer focused on four key elements of NSPS is available on the AFGE website.
- Also just posted are updated (4) and (14) page summaries with section numbers, new comments with section numbers, a "blank comment" form for distribution and a two page "comment form" that has preprinted comments and room for written comments as well.
- A two page flyer focused on RIF's under NSPS should be up on Monday.
- A link "View Comments Sent By Others" on our webpage under "Step Two" will take the reader right to the comments posted by DoD on the web. About 800 were posted for the first three days.

FYI

Comments from the AFGE website contain the name and address of the individual. DoD has advised us that they will receive those, but not post these on their publicly viewed web site to protect privacy. We will be examining what options, if any, are available which would allow both to happen.

DoD has advised AFGE that all comments, with or without references to specific subparts and sections, will be accepted.

Activity

There is a tremendous amount of activity all over the country. We would like to share some specifics early next week. So please email specifics of what is planned and what has been done to Bill Lyons at [lyonsw@afge.org](mailto:lyonsw@afge.org) by COB Monday, so we can share them with everyone. Keep up the great work!