



News and Information for TSA Employees from NTEU

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Action Alert!

Collective Bargaining Rights Bill Introduced Your Help is Needed-Deliver Change Today

Thanks to NTEU's work with the House Homeland Security Committee, a key bill was recently introduced in the House of Representatives to provide you with full collective bargaining rights and move you onto the General Schedule. [Read more here.](#)

The New Measure Would:

Formally amend the Aviation and Transportation Security Act of 2001 to bring TSOs under federal Title 5 protections, providing workers with full civil service protections and ending PASS.

This is a tremendous opportunity to act swiftly to help secure federal civil service protections and fair pay for yourself and TSOs nationwide. With collective bargaining rights, TSOs will have a united voice and can negotiate for a contract that puts in place fair and transparent workplace policies.

To see how collective bargaining rights have made a difference for your airport colleagues at U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), [click here.](#)

There are **two grassroots activities** that you can do to ensure that your members of Congress hear your voice:

working in their local districts during the upcoming two-week recess (April 6-17). Invite other TSOs to join you.

2. Send your representatives a letter through NTEU's [Legislative Action Center](#). Encourage your colleagues to do the same.

1. Call your congressional members' offices to set up a meeting while they are

"This bill will not only improve employee morale but the security of our nation."

*Rep. Bennie G. Thompson
(D-Miss.)*

Get Involved—Here's How

- Log onto www.nteu.org and visit the [Legislative Action Center](#).
- Click on the "[Congressional Directory](#)" button to find your member of Congress. Search by zip code, state or representative last name.
- Once your congressional members' contact information is provided, call their offices and ask to speak with a staff member who handles labor issues. Then, request a meeting to seek their support for full civil service protections for TSOs.

- Finally, click on the "**Action Alert**" for collective bargaining rights, fill in your contact information, review the letter and send.

Viola! That is all it takes to participate in NTEU's grassroots campaign to promote fair pay and collective bargaining rights at TSA.

If you have questions, call toll-free 1-866-591-5735 or e-mail tsa@nteu.org. If you've received this **TSA Update** from a friend or colleague, [sign up for your own copy](#).

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