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The Honorable Susan Collins  
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Dear Senator Collins:

The Partnership for Public Service commends you for your leadership in introducing legislation to facilitate the part-time reemployment of annuitants.

It is widely known that our federal workforce is aging and we are on the verge of a significant retirement wave. The federal government is facing a considerable loss of experienced talent, which will affect its ability to perform functions that are critical to the safety and well being of our country. As a result, it is crucial that we take measures to minimize the effects of this “brain drain” and transfer knowledge and expertise to future leaders. Your legislation authorizing federal agencies to reemploy retired federal employees on a part-time, temporary basis and to pay them a salary plus their full annuity benefits will encourage seasoned employees to continue their service to government and allow agencies to tap a needed source of talent.

The Partnership applauds your initiative. We look forward to working with you and your staff to build support in Congress for this legislation.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

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President and CEO  
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