

### **Special Privileges for Government Workers**

*Fred says he's working for all the citizens, but what's his record on special privileges for federal workers?*

#### **2009 – Supported Special Benefits Parental Leave Only for Federal Employees.**

HR 626 (Roll Call 310). Voted for a bill providing that four of the 12 weeks of parental leave provided by the federal government to its employees would be paid leave and removing the requirement that employees demonstrate a medical need for sick leave used. American Conservative Union opposed this special benefit for government employees, but the House passed it June 4, 2009.

#### **2008 – Supported Special privileges for federal employees only, initial legislation**

HR 5781 (Roll Call 428). Voted for a bill providing that four of the 12 weeks of parental leave provided by the federal government to its employees would be paid leave, and removing the requirement that employees demonstrate a medical need for sick leave used. Conservative groups opposed liberalizing these federal leave provisions, but the bill passed June 19, 2008.

#### **2004 – Opposed Allowing revamp of federal overtime pay regulations.**

HR 5006 (Roll Call 434) Voted for an amendment preventing the Administration from updating rules governing overtime pay.

#### **1990 – Supported Overhaul of the Hatch Act**

Voted for a motion to suspend the rules and vote on a bill to overhaul the 1939 Hatch Act which bars federal employees from engaging in political activities. Under the new law, federal employees (including even IRS agents) would be able to campaign, raise funds and run for partisan elected office. Motion agreed to, bill passed, 6/12/90. A two-thirds majority of those present and voting was required for passage under suspension of the rules, and Fred voted for it.

#### **1989 – Supported Hatch Act Revision**

Voted for a motion to suspend the rules and pass a bill to overhaul the 1939 Hatch Act, which bars federal employees from engaging in political activities. Under the new law, employees on the federal payroll, such as IRS agents, can campaign, raise funds and run for elective office. Motion agreed to (two-thirds needed),

#### **1989 – Supported for massive pay increase for House members**

Voted in favor of the Foley (D-WA) bill to raise salaries of House members from \$89,000 to over \$120,000 in just two years. Bill passed, 11/16/89.