



During the 2009 Fall Session of the 96th General Assembly the ILFOP formed a coalition with other leaders from police and fire associations and the Illinois Public Pension Association. The Municipal League had just begun their attack against public employees' pensions.

Since then, the attack on public employee pensions has continued. Unions across Illinois have come together to form a coalition that is even larger than public safety. The Illinois FOP has joined with other Illinois public employee unions in an unprecedented demonstration of solidarity as we work to protect our worker benefits.

Among the public employee unions we have joined in this effort are the Illinois AFL-CIO, Illinois Education Association, Illinois Federation of Teachers, Associated Fire Fighters of Illinois, AFSCME Council 31, Illinois Police Benevolent and Protective Association, Service Employees International Union, Laborers International Union of North America Midwest Region and the Illinois Public Pension Fund Association. Representatives from all of these organizations have banded together to form [WeAreOnellinois](#). The primary goal of the [WeAreOnellinois](#) campaign is to provide truth to the public about the average public worker and the average public pension. The campaign is relying on a great deal of paid and earned media to accomplish this goal.

Sources in Springfield say a legislative committee could take up a pension-cutting bill as soon as this week. We have to keep speaking out!

ACT NOW!

[Contact your legislators](#)

Dial 888-412-6570 and follow the prompts. You will be connected with your state senator or representative. Tell them to do the right thing, say NO cutting the modest pensions earned by public employees who keep us safe, educate our children, care for the sick and disabled and more.

OR copy and paste this [form letter](#) into an e-mail and send it to your Representative and Senator.

You can also write your own letter to the editor of your local newspaper.

You can help tell the truth about public pensions. Your voice matters. Please help the [WeAreOnellinois](#) Coalition to protect the pensions of hardworking, middle class Illinoisans.