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Congress is doing nothing on items concerning Social Security and Medicare. The same is true about changes for Civil Service employees and retirees.

There will be a COLA for next year's Social Security of approximately 2%. We will know the exact amount on October 15th. However, the amount of the increase will be taken back by the Government in higher Medicare Part B premiums. Changes to the Part B and Part D supplemental insurance can be made from October 15th until December 7th.

The COLA will be the same for Federal retirees as for Social Security beneficiaries. Employees will receive an increase of 1.9%

Approximately September 20th, the Office of Personnel Management will post the increase for FEHB health plans. I will post a link as soon as it is available. The open season for health insurance will be from November 13th until December 11th. I will get you the link in mid-October.