Plummer Denounces Enyart Family's Pattern of Pension Abuse

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FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS, Ill.-- While seniors and working families in Southern Illinois are left in limbo about the future of the pensions they earned, millionaire trial lawyer Bill Enyart and his family continue to enrich themselves on the taxpayer's dime.

Enyart, who served as a political advisor to convicted felon Rod Blagojevich and Governor Quinn, and his wife Annette currently collect three taxpayer-funded pensions that pay more than \$156,000 each year. With his household in line to receive at least four more taxpayer-funded pensions, how much more will Enyart collect off the backs of the taxpayers?

If elected, the Enyarts would add an eighth pension to their collection. This begs the question: Is he running to enrich himself or the lives of Southern Illinois families?

"While our teachers, corrections officers, and first responders are kept in the dark about the future of their hardearned pensions, Bill provides a perfect example of the pension abuse that has driven Illinois into a financial hole," 12th Congressional District Candidate Jason Plummer said. "Bill and his St. Clair County Trial Lawyer colleagues have driven thousands of jobs from the area, and his blatant abuse of the pension system is driving certainty from our state employees' futures."

Much of Illinois' dire financial situation is due to pension abuse, and Enyart's insider dealings show how Illinois' pension system has been corrupted. Two of the pensions that he collects come from positions that lasted a total of 14 and 19 months, respectively.

"Thousands of hard-working public servants throughout government have earned pensions that are now threatened by Bill and his political cronies like Blagojevich and Quinn who have enriched themselves at the taxpayer's expense," Plummer said.

"I will fight to clean up the corruption in government and protect the promises we have made to those public servants who to contribute to the system, not those gaming the system," Plummer added.