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'A tremendous benefit for Canadian seniors': Federal bill would protect pensions in bankruptcy

Proponents say these changes could help pensioners of financially troubled companies avoid years of legal fights and disastrous shortfalls in their retirement incomes.

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A new federal private member's bill aims to protect your pension in the bankruptcy process if your employer ends up as the next Nortel or Sears Canada.

It's the latest in a string of attempts to change Canada's laws to give underfunded pension plans with insufficient assets to cover their liabilities a "super priority" over large creditors and the payout of executive bonuses in a bankruptcy or insolvency process.

This story includes comments from CFP President Michael Powell. To read the full story visit the Toronto Star.