

**Only call Congress on non-duty time. Call during your break. Do not use government equipment or resources; please use your personal cell.**

## **PROFESSIONAL AVIATION SAFETY SPECIALISTS**

### **Tell Congress to Pass a Funding Bill and a Pay Increase for Federal Employees!**



**Department of Transportation funding expired at midnight, December 21. In addition, Congress has not acted on the January pay raise and the administration wants to freeze your pay. Your lawmakers need to hear from you!**

- Call your members of Congress in Washington and urge them to stop a government shutdown and pass the 1.9 percent pay increase.
- The House and Senate both fund the government and confer on the pay raise so it's important that you make three calls: one to each of your two senators and one to your representative.
- Call the House at 202-225-3121. Press 2 to connect with your representative. Enter your zip code. When a staffer answers, use the script below.
- Call the Senate at 202-225-3121. Press 1 to connect with your senator. Enter your zip code. When a staffer answers, use the script below.
- Call 202-225-3121 again to talk to your other senator.

**Phone Script:** Remember to be polite and friendly!

“Hi, my name is [ ] and I’m a federal employee at the Federal Aviation Administration.

“I’m calling to urge Congress to end the partial government shutdown and to fully fund the Department of Transportation and the FAA. Our work is vital to the safety of the flying public. I have been [your personal status: ‘furloughed’ or ‘working without pay’] and this is causing stress for me and my family.

“In addition, I believe that my coworkers and I should receive the 1.9 percent pay increase that was proposed earlier this year.

“Will the congressperson support ending the shutdown as soon as possible and a 1.9 percent pay increase?

*-- Staffer may ask for your name & address. --*

“Thanks for your time.”