

******SAMPLE CONGRESSIONAL LETTER******

Date

The Honorable John/Jane Jones
United States Senate/United States House of Representatives
Washington, D C 20510/Washington, D C 20515

Dear Senator/Representative Jones.

I am a member of the Association of Flight Attendants and am writing to ask for your support of legislation which would provide whistleblower protection to aviation workers. Currently, flight attendants, pilots and mechanics have no protection from company reprisal when they report safety concerns to the federal government or assist in disclosure of safety violations.

The Aviation Safety Protection Act, S 648/H R 953, has been introduced to protect aviation workers from reprisals when they "blow the whistle" on dangerous aviation safety activities. When an aviation worker experiences company reprisal for such activities, this legislation provides workers with a Department of Labor complaint procedure that is swift in review and sufficient in remedy. In addition, the bill provides for strong enforcement and judicial review to assure fair implementation of the protection.

All airline employees need to be protected from reprisal when they report a potentially dangerous condition that threatens their safety or that of the public's. It is essential for the safety of all passengers and crew members that constructive efforts to point out safety hazards are encouraged and not thwarted. To that end, whistleblower protection for aviation workers has bipartisan Congressional support as well as the support of airline carriers, aviation passenger groups and the U S Department of Transportation.

The Aviation Safety Protection Act is a considerable step forward in helping to keep the U S aviation industry the safest in the world. I urge you to make a commitment to aviation safety by supporting and cosponsoring this bill.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Your Name
Your Address