

Dear member,

The federal legislative process works in mysterious ways that even those of us working full time on this do not understand. It seems that somehow, without prior warning, the House of Representatives is introducing the *FAA Reauthorization Act of 2007* tonight or tomorrow **without airline passenger rights language**.

Without such language, extended tarmac strandings will continue, and you can't sue the airlines for holding you and your family against their will for eight, nine, ten hours or longer. And you'll have no guarantee of basic human needs like food and water during that delay. It happens to hundreds and sometimes thousands of Americans every few weeks.

Our only chance to get language in that bill is to exert pressure on the chairmen of the two relevant committees. We're asking all members, from all states, to call the following representatives and tell their staff that "I want airline passenger's rights included in the FAA Reauthorization bill".

Please keep these calls short and courteous. If you are from their district or from Illinois or Minnesota, be sure to tell them that. If you are from another state it is still entirely appropriate for you to call the chairman of a committee.

It's too late to write, so please call, fax or email these gentlemen NOW:

Aviation Subcommittee Chairman Jerry Costello
Phone : (202) 225-5661
Fax: (202) 225-0285
www.house.gov/costello/

Transportation Committee Chairman Jim Oberstar
Phone: (202) 225-6211
Fax: (202) 225-0699
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And please don't assume someone else will call. Your call matters. Thanks for your calls to the chairmen.

If you want to make one more call, if your own representative is on the committee, or even if you are from the state of one of the committee members, call him or her also. Any Representative can be reached via the main switchboard at 202-224-3121. Here's that list:

Democrats;

Nick J. Rahall, II, West Virginia
Peter A. DeFazio, Oregon

Jerry F. Costello, Illinois
Eleanor Holmes Norton, District of Columbia
Jerrold Nadler, New York
Corrine Brown, Florida
Bob Filner, California
Eddie Bernice Johnson, Texas
Gene Taylor, Mississippi
Elijah E. Cummings, Maryland
Ellen O. Tauscher, California
Leonard L. Boswell, Iowa
Tim Holden, Pennsylvania
Brian Baird, Washington
Rick Larsen, Washington
Michael E. Capuano, Massachusetts
Julia Carson, Indiana
Timothy H. Bishop, New York
Michael H. Michaud, Maine
Brian Higgins, New York
Russ Carnahan, Missouri
John T. Salazar, Colorado
Grace F. Napolitano, California
Daniel Lipinski, Illinois
Doris O. Matsui, California
Nick Lampson, Texas
Zachary T. Space, Ohio
Mazie Hirono, Hawaii
Bruce L. Braley, Iowa
Jason Altmire, Pennsylvania
Timothy J. Walz, Minnesota
Heath Shuler, North Carolina
Michael A. Arcuri, New York
Harry E. Mitchell, Arizona
Christopher P. Carney, Pennsylvania
John J. Hall, New York
Steve Kagen, Wisconsin
Steve Cohen, Tennessee
Jerry McNerney, California

Republicans

John L. Mica, Florida, Ranking Republican Member
Don Young, Alaska
Thomas E. Petri, Wisconsin
Howard Coble, North Carolina
John J. Duncan, Jr., Tennessee
Wayne T. Gilchrest, Maryland
Vernon J. Ehlers, Michigan

Steven C. LaTourette, Ohio
Richard H. Baker, Louisiana
Frank A. LoBiondo, New Jersey
Jerry Moran, Kansas
Gary G. Miller, California
Robin Hayes, North Carolina
Henry E. Brown Jr., South Carolina
Timothy V. Johnson, Illinois
Todd Russell Platts, Pennsylvania
Sam Graves, Missouri
Bill Shuster, Pennsylvania
John Boozman, Arkansas
Jim Gerlach, Pennsylvania
Shelley Moore Capito, West Virginia
Mario Diaz-Balart, Florida
Charles W. Dent, Pennsylvania
Ted Poe, Texas
David G. Reichert, Washington
Connie Mack, Florida
John R. "Randy" Kuhl Jr., New York
Lynn A. Westmoreland, Georgia
Charles W. Boustany Jr., Louisiana
Jean Schmidt, Ohio
Candice S. Miller, Michigan
Thelma D. Drake, Virginia
Mary Fallin, Oklahoma
Vern Buchanan, Florida

Fingers crossed,

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