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URGENT ALERT – PENSION RELIEF

**THE 50 VOTE SOLUTION CAN RESTORE YOUR BENEFITS IF YOU INSIST THAT CONGRESS
ACTS IMMEDIATELY!**

Although in the past we have asked you to contact your Congressmen and Senators to urge them to support pension relief proposals, for the time being, we can rely on a sympathetic Congress which is willing to include relief in the next COVID-19 bill.

THE BUTCH LEWIS EMERGENCY PENSION PLAN RELIEF ACT OF 2021

The COVID-19 relief bill which will eventually become law can be enacted under the Budget Reconciliation Process. Congressman Neal, Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, released a package of 19 separate bills on February 8, 2021 which is being "marked-up" in his House Committee before being sent to the Senate. **The 2021 version of the Butch Lewis Bill is included at this time as Subtitle H, Section 9700.** You need to urge your lawmakers that Butch Lewis must not be cut during the mark-up process because it is the product of 11 years of bi-partisan effort. Furthermore, it should not be watered-down to provide mere piecemeal relief.

The 49 page current version of the Butch Lewis bill would provide enough funding to your Pension Fund for the "Reinstatement of Benefit Suspensions" - Section 9704(k) - and would roughly double the PBGC guaranteed benefit.

Call, write or email your Congressmen and Senators immediately! You can also Facebook and Twitter to them. Here is what you can mention:

- **Tell them you have worked long and hard to earn retirement benefits and that even though your Western Pennsylvania Teamsters and Employers Pension Fund has been well managed and wisely invested, the impact of trucking deregulation has put many unionized transportation employers out of business, and the law has forced the Pension Fund to continue paying benefits to those employees, even though those employers no longer pay contributions. The law has been unfair to the Pension Fund, so now is the time, perhaps the only time, to right that wrong. Tell them you will remember how they respond.**

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