

Fast Track Opposition – Congressional Call Script

Call the U.S. Capitol switchboard at (202) 225-3121 and ask the operator to connect you to your representative's office.

Use the script below to give them a call:

"I am from [City, State, Congregation], and as a person of faith, I urge the Representative to oppose Fast Track / Trade Promotion Authority legislation and to support alternatives that are fair and transparent. I am strongly opposed to my representative giving away Congress' constitutional authority to control our trade policy. Do not vote away Congress' constitutional authority to "regulate commerce with foreign nations" through reinstatement of the Trade Promotion Authority (Fast Track) for the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) or any other trade agreement. Congressional oversight is important because the process of negotiating trade agreements must be more transparent and must ensure viable public discourse and debate. This trade deal is a threat to American jobs, undermines the safety and quality of our food supply and weakens fair labor standards while increasing corporate powers to challenge government regulations. It is crucial that Congress not give away its authority and oversight of every provision of the TPP. Vote against the Fast Track "Trade Promotion Authority" so that we may deal with provisions within the TPP now, rather than bemoan its consequences afterward. Good trade deals don't need to be railroaded through Congress using Fast Track. I hope my representative will commit to opposing this legislation."