Action Alert UPDATE: Urge your Representatives to Vote NO on House VAWA bill and YES to S. 47

UPDATE: As a result of your efforts, **House leadership has agreed to schedule a vote on S. 47,** the Senate version of VAWA that protects all victims, if the House version does not obtain a majority. **This means victory is within reach**! Call your Congress Person today with a simple message!

Action Item:

1) Call the Capitol switchboard at 888.269.5702 and ask the operator to connect you to your Representative. If you don?t know who your Representative is, you can find out here .

2) When you?re connected to their offices, tell the person who answers the phone:

- I am a constituent from (city and state) and my name is _____.
- I am calling to ask Representative _____ to do three things - Vote:
    - YES on the RULE to vote on VAWA today, Wednesday February 27, 2013
    - NO on the House substitute amendment to VAWA, Thursday, February 28, 2013
    - YES on the Senate-passed version of VAWA, Thursday, February 28, 2013

About VAWA

VAWA is the cornerstone of our nation's response to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking, and because of VAWA, millions of victims have received lifesaving services and support. Despite VAWA's proven ability to substantially improve lives, it has not reached all victims. VAWA's reauthorization provides an opportunity to build upon the successes of the current law by including key improvements to protect and provide safety and access to justice for Native American, immigrant, and LGBT victims, as well as victims on college campuses and in communities of color. Additionally, a renewed VAWA must include strengthened housing protections that provide emergency housing transfer options for survivors, as well as implementation of transparent and effective accountability measures that support and strengthen, rather than endanger, the programs that assist victims.

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