



**ADJUNCT FACULTY AND UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE : YOUR HELP
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Sisters & Brothers,

Today UUP is joining a statewide call-in day to support unemployment insurance for part-timers. Please participate by calling the AFL-CIO action hotline at 1-877-255-9417 and asking for your Senator or Assemblyman. NYSUT's memo of support and some UUP talking points are attached below to help you with this call. If you do not know who your representative is, please call Michelle or Rob at the UUP office at 1-800-342-4206 and they will assist you.

UUP has been working diligently with NYSUT and the Professional Staff Congress to pass unemployment insurance legislation that would change the current practice of allowing letters of "intent to hire" that are conditioned on enrollment, funding, or program changes to be offered as evidence of the federal "reasonable assurance" standard. This bill would place the burden of proof on the employer to provide sufficient documentation, on a case-by-case basis, to overcome the presumption of contingency established in these letters of "intent to hire."

Adjunct Faculty Deserve Unemployment Insurance! This bill would remove a serious impediment that prevents adjuncts from collecting benefits. Adjuncts would still have to meet other eligibility requirements and be available for work. And, they would not be eligible for unemployment insurance if their employer establishes "reasonable assurance" of employment in the following semester. Help your part-time colleagues by calling 1-877-255-9417 TODAY to pass this important legislation!

In Union,
Phil



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