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Paul, Mitchell Again Block Congressional Pay Raise

Washington, D.C. - Congressman Ron Paul and Congressman Harry Mitchell have again stopped the increase in pay that Members of Congress automatically get every year unless it is voted down.

Their efforts to block the pay raise for 2010 was successful last year, and today their bill to block the pay raise for 2011 passed overwhelmingly in the House after passing the Senate last week.

"We should not be padding our pocketbooks when our constituents are still tightening their belts and losing their jobs," stated Congressman Paul. "As well, we could continue with this symbolic first step and stop increasing taxes, expanding the federal budget, and spreading our military so thin. These additional measures would do much to begin our economic recovery."