

**Amateur Radio Parity Act
September 8, 2018**

Dear Florida ARRL member:

We have asked you before to write to Florida Senator Bill Nelson to ask him to remove his hold on the Amateur Radio Parity Act. You have responded perfectly each time. We are going to ask you to help ARRL get the Parity Act across the finish line one more time. Here is where we are: The Parity Act has passed unanimously in the House of Representatives four separate times. Most recently, it passed the House as part of the FY 2019 Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act (FSGG). It was not included in the Senate version of that Bill, however, so now, both bills having passed in their respective houses of Congress, a joint committee of House and Senate conferees have to agree on the final version of the FSGG, and resolve the differences in the two, before the FSGG goes to the President for signature.

We are working hard to ensure that the Parity Act remains in the final version of this Bill. We are encouraged, but we are making one last effort to ask Senator Nelson to support Amateur Radio. If this effort is not successful, we have other plans to get this important relief for Amateur Radio operators, but it would be best if we could get the Bill passed right now as part of the FSGG. The White House absolutely supports the Parity Act.

Please go to <https://arrl.rallycongress.net/> to contact Senator Nelson and help us finish this. We really need your help once more. Thanks and
73,

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