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Dear Faculty Colleague,

As you probably know, the Legislature's Joint Committee on Employment Relations (JCOER) met earlier this month to vote on state employee pay plans. Funding for the pay raises was approved by the Legislature and signed into law by Governor Tony Evers as part of the 2023-25 state budget.

But the Republican-led committee [declined](#) to vote on the UW System pay plan while approving a pay plan for other state employees, withholding UW employee pay raises for the foreseeable future.

If you believe, like we do, that University of Wisconsin employees deserve a compensation increase as much as other state employees, you can take action. You can either sign [this petition](#), which will be delivered to lawmakers at the Capitol, or you can [contact your legislator](#) directly. Please be aware that when contacting legislators to advocate for UW-Madison, you should use your personal email and not your @wisc.edu account and avoid using work time and university resources like computers and IT networks.

PROFS endeavors to be a strong and effective voice for faculty and we are continuing our efforts to secure the appropriate pay play for all UW-Madison employees.

Regards,

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