

Postal Bills and Resolutions Submitted in the 114th Congress

Sen. Tom Carper (D-DE) September 17, 2015

S. 2051 Improving Postal Operations, Service and Transparency Act of 2015 (iPOST)

Referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs.

Bill to 1) restructure the current retiree health and pensions benefits payments 2) make permanent the current exigent rate increase 3) propose a pause in facility closings for two years for processing facilities and five years for retail post offices 4) implement stronger delivery standards 5) allow the Postal Service to introduce new non-postal products and services, and 6) increase the transparency of Postal Service delivery results.

Co-sponsors 0

Rep. Raul Grijalva (D-AZ) September 9, 2015

H.R. 3464 Defending Quality Postal Delivery for the Future Act

Referred to House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Bill to prohibit closing or consolidating any post office or other postal facility that is located in a ZIP Code that has a high rate of population growth.

Co-sponsor 1 (Mr. Gallego D-AZ)

Rep. Earl Blumenauer (D-OR) July 29, 2015

H.R. 3319 Postal Innovation Act

Referred to House Judiciary.

Bill to establish a pilot program to provide non-postal services. Also defines requirements for eliminating the ban on mailing alcoholic beverages, as well as guidelines for upgrading the USPS fleet.

Co-sponsors 1 (Mr. Huffman D-CA)

Sen. Cory Booker (D-NJ) July 23, 2015

S. 1854 Postal Innovation Act

Referred to Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs.

Bill to allow authorization of new non-postal services. Bill also outlines a pilot program to assess implementation of providing non-postal services, provides guidelines for updating the fleet of the Postal Service, and outlines a plan for reinvesting cost savings from expanded services.

Co-sponsors 0

Rep. Jackie Speier (D-CA) July 29, 2015

H.R. 3412 United Postal Service Shipping Equity Act

Referred to House Judiciary.

Bill to end the ban on shipping alcohol through the U.S. Mail.

Co-sponsors 36 (D – 31, R – 5)

Sen. Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND) July 9, 2015

S-1742 Rural Postal Act of 2015

Referred to Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs.

This bill provides for a moratorium on closing or consolidating postal facilities for two years, provides for new considerations in determining whether to discontinue a rural post office, creates a Rural Postal Service Advisory Commission, creates a Chief Morale Officer for the Postal Service, reinstates stronger service standards, encourages the Postal Service to look into equipping delivery vehicles to handle landscape and severe weather challenges, preserves 6-day delivery, and includes a pilot program for implementing WiFi in rural post offices.

Co-sponsors 6 (D – 6)

Rep. Huffman, Jared (D-CA-2) April 22, 2015

H.R. 1963 FLEET Act of 2015

Referred to House Committees on Oversight and Government Reform & Energy and Commerce.

Bill establishes certain fuel efficiency & emissions standards if USPS contracts to replace vehicle fleet.

Co-sponsors 1 (D – 2)

Rep. Issa, Darerell (R-CA-49) April 16, 2015

H.R. 1885 Secure Delivery for America Act of 2015

Referred to House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Bill directs the USPS to convert door delivery at residence or business, and to curb or centralized location. Authorizes USPS to begin charging a fee for door delivery.

Co-sponsor 1 (Farenthold, Blake R-TX)

Rep. Adrian Smith (R-NE) April 16, 2015

H.R. 1885 Securing Access to Rural Postal Services Act of 2015

Referred to House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Bill to cap rural retail post office closures in a calendar year at no more than 5 percent of the number of post offices that were operating as of the first day of that calendar year. Also discusses adequate advance notice of closings to customers and for the USPS to provide alternative access after closing a post office.

Co-sponsor 1 (Gosar, Paul R-AZ)

Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA) March 19, 2015

H. R. 1501 Moratorium on United States Postal Facilities Act

Referred to House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Bill to require Congressional approval for closure, consolidation or sale of historic postal facilities.

Co-sponsors 10 (Dem. 10, Rep. 0)

Rep. McKinley, David B. [R-WV-1] January 27, 2015

H. Res 54 Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States Postal Service

Referred to House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Resolution expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that the U.S. Postal Service should take all appropriate measures to restore mail delivery service standards in effect as of July 1, 2012.

Co-sponsors 218 (D - 178, R - 40)

Rep. Davis, Susan [D-CA-53] January 12, 2015

H. Res 28 Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States Postal Service
Referred to House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Resolution expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that the U.S. Postal Service should take all appropriate measures to ensure the continuation of door delivery for all businesses and residential customers.

Co-sponsors 218 (D - 152, R - 21)

Rep. Graves, Sam [R-MO-6] January 06, 2015

H. Res 12 Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States Postal Service
Referred to House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

Resolution expresses the sense of the House of Representatives that the U.S. Postal Service should take all appropriate measures to ensure the continuation of its 6-day delivery service.

Co-sponsors 218 (D - 173, R - 49)