Postal Service Emergency Assistance Act Introduced in Senate

On July 2, Senators Susan Collins (R-ME) and Diane Feinstein (D-CA) introduced the *Postal Service Emergency Assistance Act, S. 4174*. This legislation would create a \$25 billion fund for the Postal Service to recoup COVID related expenses and revenue losses. This is a stand alone bill that is currently separate from any Senate stimulus package.

The bill also includes a fix for the USPS loan language in the *CARES Act* (signed into law in March) so that USPS can access their \$10 billion line of

credit without any onerous conditions that would negatively affect postal workers.

The *HEROES Act* passed by the House of Representatives in May also includes \$25 billion in COVID related funding for the Postal Service.

Now senators need to quickly pass support for the People's Post Office when they return to Washington, D.C. on July 20. We need every APWU member to call their senators and demand they *Save the Post Office* with \$25 billion in COVID relief (*see below*).

Call Your Senators on July 23 at 844-402-1001

Join the Call in Day of Action to Save the Public Postal Service!



Philadelphia PA Area Local members during the June 23 Day of Action

The HEROES Act included \$25 billion for postal relief – as well as a number of other provisions that would greatly assist working-class families. This success and the introduction of the Postal Service Emergency Assistance Act in the Senate shows our campaign is working!

As the senators head back to Washington, D.C. the week of July 20, we need to keep up the pressure to make sure the Senate supports the Postal Service!

Let's flood the phones in the Senate offices on July 23, and tell them that the Postal Service deserves significant funding – \$25 billion – now! Even if you made a call before, we need you to call again, so your senators know we will not back down! These actions work.

Text ACTION to 91990 to receive a reminder on July 23, or put it on your calendar. You can also sign

up to receive an email reminder by going to *apwu*. org/savethepostoffice.

Ask your family, friends, and neighbors to call their senators as well. If this legislation passes, a strong Postal Service will benefit everyone in this country.

