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HR 2249

Postmasters Equity Act of 2003 Congress: 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

Chamber: House

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Rep. Moran, Jerry [R-KS-1]	R · KS		Jul 16, 2003
Rep. Ryun, Jim [R-KS-2]	R · KS		Jul 17, 2003
Rep. Saxton, Jim [R-NJ-3]	R · NJ		Jul 17, 2003

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 22, 2003
Oversight and Government Reform Committee	House	Markup By	Jun 19, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 S 678	Related bill	Sep 30, 2003: Became Public Law No: 108-86.

Summary (as of Jul 21, 2003)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Postmasters Equity Act of 2003 - Amends Federal law to authorize an organization (other than an organization representing supervisors) that represents at least 20 percent of certain postmasters to participate directly in the planning and development of pay policies and schedules, and fringe benefit programs, and other programs relating to supervisory and other managerial employees.

Grants the postmasters and postmasters' organizations the same consultation and other rights afforded to supervisors and supervisors' organizations.

Provides that if two or more postmasters' organizations exist such organizations shall: (1) be treated as if they constituted a single organization and in accordance with such arrangements as the organizations shall mutually agree to; and (2) in the case of any fact-finding panel convened by the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service at the organizations' request, be jointly and severally liable for the cost of such panel, apart from the portion to be borne by the Service.

States that for purposes of the Employee Thrift Advisory Council's membership: (1) each of such two or more postmasters' organizations shall be treated as a separate organization; and (2) any determination of the number of individuals represented by each of those respective organizations shall be made in a manner consistent with this Act's purposes.

Actions Timeline

- Jul 22, 2003: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.
- Jul 21, 2003: Mr. Shays moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- Jul 21, 2003: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H7178-7179)
- Jul 21, 2003: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H.R. 2249.
- Jul 21, 2003: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H7178)
- Jul 21, 2003: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H7178)
- Jul 21, 2003: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- Jun 19, 2003: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Jun 19, 2003: Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.
- May 22, 2003: Introduced in House
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- May 22, 2003: Referred to the House Committee on Government Reform.