

S 2629

Postal Service Reform Act of 2018

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]

Party: Democratic • **State:** DE • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND]	D · ND		Mar 22, 2018
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		Mar 22, 2018
Sen. Moran, Jerry [R-KS]	R · KS		Mar 22, 2018
Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO]	R · MO		Jun 13, 2018
Sen. Roberts, Pat [R-KS]	R · KS		Jul 25, 2018

Committee Activity

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 S 3532	Related bill	Oct 4, 2018: Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 622.
115 HR 7019	Related bill	Oct 2, 2018: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.
115 HR 6076	Related bill	Jun 18, 2018: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
115 HR 756	Related bill	Mar 20, 2018: ASSUMING FIRST SPONSORSHIP - Mr. Garrett asked unanimous consent that he may hereafter be considered as the first sponsor of H.R. 756, a bill originally introduced by former Representative Chaffetz, for purposes of adding cosponsors and requesting reprintings pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII. Agreed to without objection.

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This bill directs the Office of Personnel Management to establish the Postal Service Health Benefits Program (PSHBP) within the Federal Employee Health Benefits Program for all postal employees and annuitants. All Medicare-eligible postal annuitants and employees enrolled in PSHBP must also enroll in Medicare, including parts A, B, and D.

The bill eliminates the existing statutory pension payment schedule, cancels any outstanding payments, and amortizes payments over 40 years.

The U.S. Postal Service (USPS) may establish a program to enter into agreements with an agency of any state government, local government, or tribal government to provide property and services on behalf of such agencies for non-commercial products and services. Distilled spirits, wine, or malt beverages shall be considered mailable if specified conditions apply.

The USPS shall submit to its Board of Governors: (1) a plan describing the actions it intends to take to achieve long-term solvency, and (2) a financial plan and budget consistent with that goal. The USPS must establish reasonable targets for performance to ensure that mail service for postal customers meets the service standards for market-dominant products.

There is established within USPS the position of Chief Innovation Officer. The USPS must submit to Congress and to the Postal Regulatory Commission a comprehensive strategy for maximizing revenues through innovative products and services.

The bill provides for emergency suspensions of post offices.

There is established in the USPS the Office of the Inspector General.

Actions Timeline

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