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LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT



Last week with the passage of legislation to fund the government, Congress voted to create the Joint Select Committee on Solvency of Multiemployer Pension Plans. This committee will work to solve the multiemployer pension crisis facing our nation. This is a positive step forward for the millions of people who will be impacted by the collapse of multiemployer pension plans because Congress is finally formally taking steps to address the issue. However, the Teamsters still believe that the only solution to the problem is adoption of the Butch Lewis Act (H.R. 4444/ S. 2147) and will be working to ensure that the Committee chooses this legislation to report out when its work concludes. Take Action Now!

We want to show support and gratitude for members of Congress who are already backing the Butch Lewis Act and encourage them to do so while the Committee is considering various proposals. We are asking that you send a letter to Senate cosponsors of the Butch Lewis Act to thank them for their support of the legislation and urge them to continue to push this bill as the only solution to the multiemployer pension crisis. <u>Contact your senator now!</u>

Sample Letter below (or go to: http://salsa4.salsalabs.com/o/50740/p/dia/action4/common/public/?action_KEY=24336 and

respond on line.)

Dear Senator,

I wanted to express my gratitude to you for cosponsoring the Butch Lewis Act (S. 2147). This legislation will help millions of Americans receive the retirement benefits they have earned. I am also appreciative of your vote to create the Joint Select Committee on the Solvency of Multiemployer Pension Plans.

This Committee is an essential step forward towards solving the multiemployer pension crisis. As the Committee begins its work, I hope you will continue your support of the Butch Lewis Act and urge members of the Committee to seriously consider adoption of the legislation, since it is the only solution that will truly protect our members' pension benefits.

Thank you again for your support.

Sincerely,

