

SCR 201 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Thatcher, Sen. Manning Jr

Senate Committee On Veterans, Emergency Management, Federal and World Affairs

Action Date: 02/03/26

Action: Do adopt.

Vote: 4-0-1-0

Yea: 4 - Manning Jr, Meek, Neron Misslin, Thatcher

Exc: 1 - Smith DB

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 2/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The resolution honors the U.S. Postal Service (USPS), citing its 250th anniversary, history, workforce, and professionalism.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Origin of USPS
- Change and importance of mail communication over time
- Diversity of USPS workforce
- Morale booster for overseas service members

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

USPS celebrated its 250th anniversary in 2025, with its origin dating back to 1775 when the Second Continental Congress established a postal system. Article I, Section 8, of the U.S. Constitution provides Congress with the power to establish post offices. The U.S. Post Office Department was established in 1792; USPS replaced it in 1971, becoming an independent executive agency branch and government-owned corporation. USPS is funded through revenue from its services and serves roughly 169 million addresses.