

Today, Sept. 18, 2015, Senator Carper (D-DE), ranking member of the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, introduced the 2015 Improving Postal Operations, Service and Transparency (iPost) Act on in the Senate. Jeanette Dwyer, President of the National Rural Letter Carriers' Association, released the following statement:

"Today, Senator Carper started the conversation about modernizing the Postal Service for the 21st Century by introducing the iPost Act. While we are pleased Congress is looking at other ways to modernize the Postal Service by not ending 6-day mail delivery, the legislation does include provisions the NRLCA is concerned about. This bill is a first step to facilitate discussions about how to address future operations of the Postal Service as the craft continues to evolve with rise of ecommerce and rapid changes in the way that we communicate with one another."

"Concurrently as Senator Carper and his team were drafting this bill, the NRLCA has been working with the other four major postal unions, USPS executive leaderships and several mailing industry groups to develop a compromise on postal reform legislation for all groups involved."

"We look forward to continue working with Senator Carper, his staff and other members of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee on this issue and hope that we are able to find common ground between how Congress wants to reform the Postal Service and what we are rural carriers need to continue our craft."