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NAPS Endorses House Postal Reform Measure

The National Association of Postal Supervisors today announced its support for postal reform legislation championed by a bipartisan group of leaders of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, including Rep. Jason Chaffetz (R-UT) and Rep. Elijah Cummings (D-MD). The legislative proposal, the [Postal Reform Act of 2017, H.R. 756](#), is set for a [hearing](#) on Tuesday and could be approved by the HOCR Committee by the end of February.

The legislation, H.R. 756, would help to restore the financial solvency of the Postal Service and reduce the Postal Service's heavy burden to prefund its retiree health benefit obligation, a long-standing source of Congressional concern. It also would establish a more equitable calculation of the Postal Service's pension and health benefit liabilities and achieve savings through the integration of Medicare and FEHBP health benefits. In addition, the bill would provide greater product and pricing flexibility to the Postal Service and assure due process rights of all Postal Service managerial employees.

In [endorsing](#) the measure, NAPS President Brian J. Wagner said the major priorities of postal reform were addressed in H.R. 756. "Postal reform needs to maintain prompt service for all Americans, address the burdens that harm the Postal Service's financial health, and infuse greater innovation into the postal system," Wagner said. "H.R. 756 advances these priorities and has earned the support of the National Association of Postal Supervisors."

The bill is a high priority for House Oversight and Government Reform Committee Chairman Jason Chaffetz. Chaffetz [recently told](#) panel members at a goal-setting organizational meeting that last year's efforts on postal reform served as a "good starting point" towards getting a postal reform bill on President Trump's desk before this session ended. The Postal Service is on a financial trajectory that is unsustainable and we need to engage in bipartisan postal reform," Chaffetz said.

Tuesday's House hearing on H.R. 756 starts at 10 am ET and can be viewed on the [HOCR website](#).

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