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Newsletter of the American Federation of Musicians and Employers' Pension Fund

U.S. Senate Passes Multiemployer Pension Relief as Part of COVID-19 Relief Legislation

Legislation Will Return to House for Final Vote on Tuesday

Today, the U.S. Senate passed the Butch Lewis Emergency Pension Plan Relief Act of 2021 as part of the COVID-19 relief package—the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. Because the Senate made some changes to the House of Representatives' version of the COVID-19 relief package, it must now return to the House for a final vote before being delivered to President Biden for his signature. **That House vote is expected to take place on Tuesday, March 9.**

Please contact your U.S. Representative! This will hopefully be our **final push** to pass vital relief for the AFM-EPF and other troubled multiemployer pension plans. The Butch Lewis Emergency Pension Plan Relief Act is intended to pay for all Plan benefits over the next 30 years, without the need for benefit reductions.

See below for steps to take right now. Please also spread the word to your friends, family and colleagues.

1. **Click here** to go to the AFM-EPF website for more information and suggestions about what to say to your elected officials.
2. Go to **Govtrack.us** and enter your address to identify your U.S. Representative.
3. Call the U.S. Capitol switchboard at **202-224-3121**. A switchboard operator will connect you with the Congressional office you request. You will either reach a staff member or be asked to leave a voicemail.
4. **Click here** to email your U.S. Representative.

We also encourage you to call The White House comment line at **202-456-1111** and go to **WhiteHouse.gov/contact** to send a comment by email.

We will continue to keep you updated in the days to come.

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