URGENT ILWU ACTION ALERT

NOVEMBER 24, 2015

CALL AGAIN TO PROTECT LONGSHORE SAFETY AND JOBS

To: All ILWU Longshore Division Locals. From: ILWU Coast Committee

After a weekend of negotiations, Congress is meeting again TODAY and may pass legislation that will hurt us. Longshore workers and our families must call members of Congress TODAY to stop this legislation. Even if you called last week, please call again — and then ask your colleagues and family members to call everyone on the list below:

Contact all today:

Sen. Lisa Murkowski Staff: Matt Borger (202) 224-6665 Matt_borger@murkowski.senate.gov

Sen. Ron Wyden Staff: Trevor Jones (202) 224-5244 Trevor_Jones@wyden.senate.gov

Sen. Barbara Boxer Staff: Kyle Chapman (202) 224-3553 Kyle_chapman@boxer.senate.gov

Sen. Bill Nelson Staff: Nick Russell (202) 224-5274 Nick_Russell@billnelson.senate.gov

Sen. Sherrod Brown Staff: Nora Todd (202) 224-2315 Nora_Todd@Brown.senate.gov



SUGGESTED SCRIPT FOR 11/24:

Hello, my name is ______, and I'd like to speak with [STAFF PERSON.]

I'm a Longshore Worker at the Port of ______ and a member of ILWU Local ____. (Or "concerned citizen" if not long-shore.)

Longshore work has a higher fatality rate than mining. Please protect longshore safety by rejecting Senator Thune's "Port Performance Act." It doesn't solve the underlying industry problems that cause congestion. But it WILL cause more fatalities and disabling injuries by essentially forcing speed in unsafe conditions.

Second, the Senate Bill has a provision that allows funding of electronic roads and driverless trucks on the docks. This is a job -killing provision and does nothing to address congestion or productivity.

I'm asking that the Senate Conferees will agree with the House position and strip both of these anti-worker provisions from the final bill.

Thank you very much.

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