

116TH CONGRESS  
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# S. 4435

To prohibit the closure of postal facilities during the COVID–19 public health emergency.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

AUGUST 4, 2020

Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. PETERS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Protect Our Services  
5 Today Act of 2020” or the “POST Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. MORATORIUM ON POSTAL FACILITY CLOSURES.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—During the COVID–19 public  
8 health emergency period, the United States Postal Service  
9 may not close any facility of the Postal Service.

1 (b) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this section, the  
2 term “COVID–19 public health emergency period”—

3 (1) means the period of the public health emer-  
4 gency declared by the Secretary of Health and  
5 Human Services under section 319 of the Public  
6 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d) with respect to  
7 COVID–19, including any renewal of that declara-  
8 tion; and

9 (2) includes any part of the period described in  
10 paragraph (1) that occurred before the date of en-  
11 actment of this Act.

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