

# ▶▶▶ URGENT ACTION NEEDED! ◀◀◀

**THE SITUATION:** Right now there is legislation pending in the United States Senate - the *Prevent All Cigarette Trafficking Act of 2009* ("PACT Act") (S.1147) which contains, among other bad ideas, a provision to make ALL cigarettes and smokeless tobacco products nonmailable. **This legislation has already been passed by the House of Representatives and is currently in a Senate Committee that could send it to the Senate floor at any time for a vote!**

**WHAT THIS MEANS TO YOU:** By making all cigarettes and smokeless tobacco products nonmailable, the Senate is ensuring **you will no longer be able to purchase these products by mail-order, telephone order, and/or the Internet** because the United States Postal Service, along with UPS, Fed-Ex and all other carriers will be prohibited by law from delivering your orders to you. Taking away your options means forcing you back to buying over-priced tobacco products from your local retailer once again.

**WHY WE NEED YOUR HELP:** Native American cigarette and tobacco sellers are committed to doing everything we can to stop the PACT Act but we need your help. Your Senators work for you and as their constituents, it is **your** voice and **your** vote that counts!

**WHAT YOU CAN DO:** Contact your Senators and tell them **not** to pass the PACT Act. Your Senators should be protecting your interests, but it is up to you to let them know what you think about the PACT Act. There are three easy ways to contact your Senators - by telephone, email, or regular mail - all of which are explained below. Every state has two Senators - please remember to contact BOTH Senators for your state. **At this point time is crucial, so a phone call is by far the best means to use!**

**YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO EXPRESS YOUR OPINION:** As an American Citizen, it is your right to let your Senators know how you feel about any action Congress takes. You elected your Senators to represent you and they can only do this if you tell them what you want. When you contact your Senator you do not need to identify yourself as a smoker or as someone who purchases cigarettes and/or smokeless tobacco products by mail-order, telephone-order, and/or the Internet. You only need to identify yourself as a resident of the state they represent.

## SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE PACT ACT TO DISCUSS WITH YOUR SENATORS:

**THE POSTAL SERVICE:** The price of stamps is being raised practically every year. The PACT Act will take an entire class of legal, non-hazardous goods and make them nonmailable. What this means is a huge loss of business (potentially hundreds of millions of dollars) for the Postal Service. Will they continue to raise the price of stamps and other mail services to compensate for their lost income? The United States Postal Service is already suffering a fiscal crisis due to the downturn in the economy. If the PACT Act is passed and millions of dollars of revenue are taken away, there could be serious consequences for consumers, including reducing the number of delivery days from 6 per week down to 5 or perhaps only 4 days per week.

**COST:** When the PACT Act of 2003 (S.1177) passed the Senate, the Congressional Budget Office prepared a Cost Estimate for the Bill. The Congressional Budget Office estimated that the PACT Act of 2003 would cost about \$140 MILLION over the 2004-2008 period to enforce. \$140 Million over four years - and that estimate is already six years old. How much will the PACT Act of 2009 cost to enforce? Isn't there a better way to spend our tax dollars?

## TWO IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN COMMUNICATING WITH YOUR SENATORS:

- 1. Tell your Senators that you are one of their constituents and provide an address so they know where in the state you are from.** Since anyone can contact a Senator, it is important that you let your Senators know that you live and vote in their home state. Because the Senators receive so many contacts, contacts from their constituents always takes priority.
- 2. Make it clear to your Senators that you DO NOT want them to pass the PACT Act of 2009 (S.1147).** Let your Senators know that if they don't support you - you won't support them.

## Your United States Senators:

| State          | Senator            | Phone        | Website   |
|----------------|--------------------|--------------|---|
| Alaska         | Lisa Murkowski     | 202-224-6665 | <a href="http://murkowski.senate.gov/">http://murkowski.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Alaska         | Mark Begich        | 202-224-3004 | <a href="http://begich.senate.gov">http://begich.senate.gov</a>             |
| Alabama        | Richard Shelby     | 202-224-5744 | <a href="http://shelby.senate.gov/">http://shelby.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Alabama        | Jeff Sessions      | 202-224-4124 | <a href="http://sessions.senate.gov/">http://sessions.senate.gov/</a>       |
| Arkansas       | Blanche Lincoln    | 202-224-4843 | <a href="http://lincoln.senate.gov">http://lincoln.senate.gov</a>           |
| Arkansas       | Mark Pryor         | 202-224-2353 | <a href="http://pryor.senate.gov/">http://pryor.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Arizona        | John McCain        | 202-224-2235 | <a href="http://mccain.senate.gov/">http://mccain.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Arizona        | Jon Kyl            | 202-224-4521 | <a href="http://kyl.senate.gov/">http://kyl.senate.gov/</a>                 |
| California     | Dianne Feinstein   | 202-224-3841 | <a href="http://feinstein.senate.gov/">http://feinstein.senate.gov/</a>     |
| California     | Barbara Boxer      | 202-224-3553 | <a href="http://boxer.senate.gov/">http://boxer.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Colorado       | Mark Udall         | 202-224-5941 | <a href="http://markudall.senate.gov/">http://markudall.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Colorado       | Michael Bennet     | 202-224-5852 | <a href="http://bennet.senate.gov/">http://bennet.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Connecticut    | Christopher Dodd   | 202-224-2823 | <a href="http://dodd.senate.gov/">http://dodd.senate.gov/</a>               |
| Connecticut    | Joseph Lieberman   | 202-224-4041 | <a href="http://lieberman.senate.gov/">http://lieberman.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Delaware       | Thomas Carper      | 202-224-2441 | <a href="http://carper.senate.gov">http://carper.senate.gov</a>             |
| Delaware       | Ted Kaufman        | 202-224-5042 | <a href="http://kaufman.senate.gov/">http://kaufman.senate.gov/</a>         |
| Florida        | Bill Nelson        | 202-224-5274 | <a href="http://billnelson.senate.gov/">http://billnelson.senate.gov/</a>   |
| Florida        | Mel Martinez       | 202-224-3041 | <a href="http://martinez.senate.gov/">http://martinez.senate.gov/</a>       |
| Georgia        | Saxby Chambliss    | 202-224-3521 | <a href="http://chambliss.senate.gov/">http://chambliss.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Georgia        | Johnny Isakson     | 202-224-3643 | <a href="http://isakson.senate.gov/">http://isakson.senate.gov/</a>         |
| Hawaii         | Daniel Inouye      | 202-224-3934 | <a href="http://inouye.senate.gov/">http://inouye.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Hawaii         | Daniel Akaka       | 202-224-6361 | <a href="http://akaka.senate.gov/">http://akaka.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Iowa           | Charles Grassley   | 202-224-3744 | <a href="http://grassley.senate.gov/">http://grassley.senate.gov/</a>       |
| Iowa           | Tom Harkin         | 202-224-3254 | <a href="http://harkin.senate.gov/">http://harkin.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Idaho          | Mike Crapo         | 202-224-6142 | <a href="http://crapo.senate.gov/">http://crapo.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Idaho          | Jim Risch          | 202-224-2752 | <a href="http://risch.senate.gov/">http://risch.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Illinois       | Richard Durbin     | 202-224-2152 | <a href="http://durbin.senate.gov/">http://durbin.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Illinois       | Roland Burris      | 202-224-2854 | <a href="http://burris.senate.gov">http://burris.senate.gov</a>             |
| Indiana        | Richard Lugar      | 202-224-4814 | <a href="http://lugar.senate.gov/">http://lugar.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Indiana        | Evan Bayh          | 202-224-5623 | <a href="http://bayh.senate.gov/">http://bayh.senate.gov/</a>               |
| Kansas         | Sam Brownback      | 202-224-6521 | <a href="http://brownback.senate.gov/">http://brownback.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Kansas         | Pat Roberts        | 202-224-4774 | <a href="http://roberts.senate.gov/">http://roberts.senate.gov/</a>         |
| Kentucky       | Mitch McConnell    | 202-224-2541 | <a href="http://mcconnell.senate.gov/">http://mcconnell.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Kentucky       | Jim Bunning        | 202-224-4343 | <a href="http://bunning.senate.gov/">http://bunning.senate.gov/</a>         |
| Louisiana      | Mary Landrieu      | 202-224-5824 | <a href="http://landrieu.senate.gov/">http://landrieu.senate.gov/</a>       |
| Louisiana      | David Vitter       | 202-224-4623 | <a href="http://vitter.senate.gov/">http://vitter.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Massachusetts  | Edward Kennedy     | 202-224-4543 | <a href="http://kennedy.senate.gov/">http://kennedy.senate.gov/</a>         |
| Massachusetts  | John Kerry         | 202-224-2742 | <a href="http://kerry.senate.gov/">http://kerry.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Maryland       | Barbara Mikulski   | 202-224-4654 | <a href="http://mikulski.senate.gov/">http://mikulski.senate.gov/</a>       |
| Maryland       | Benjamin Cardin    | 202-224-4524 | <a href="http://cardin.senate.gov/">http://cardin.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Maine          | Olympia Snowe      | 202-224-5344 | <a href="http://snowe.senate.gov/">http://snowe.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Maine          | Susan Collins      | 202-224-2523 | <a href="http://collins.senate.gov/">http://collins.senate.gov/</a>         |
| Michigan       | Carl Levin         | 202-224-6221 | <a href="http://levin.senate.gov/">http://levin.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Michigan       | Debbie Stabenow    | 202-224-4822 | <a href="http://stabenow.senate.gov/">http://stabenow.senate.gov/</a>       |
| Minnesota      | Amy Klobuchar      | 202-224-3244 | <a href="http://klobuchar.senate.gov/">http://klobuchar.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Minnesota      | Al Franken         | 202-224-5641 | <a href="http://franken.senate.gov/">http://franken.senate.gov/</a>         |
| Missouri       | Kit Bond           | 202-224-5721 | <a href="http://bond.senate.gov/">http://bond.senate.gov/</a>               |
| Missouri       | Claire McCaskill   | 202-224-6154 | <a href="http://mccaskill.senate.gov/">http://mccaskill.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Mississippi    | Thad Cochran       | 202-224-5054 | <a href="http://cochran.senate.gov/">http://cochran.senate.gov/</a>         |
| Mississippi    | Roger Wicker       | 202-224-6253 | <a href="http://wicker.senate.gov/">http://wicker.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Montana        | Max Baucus         | 202-224-2651 | <a href="http://baucus.senate.gov/">http://baucus.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Montana        | Jon Tester         | 202-224-2644 | <a href="http://tester.senate.gov/">http://tester.senate.gov/</a>           |
| North Carolina | Richard Burr       | 202-224-3154 | <a href="http://burr.senate.gov/">http://burr.senate.gov/</a>               |
| North Carolina | Kay Hagan          | 202-224-6342 | <a href="http://hagan.senate.gov">http://hagan.senate.gov</a>               |
| North Dakota   | Kent Conrad        | 202-224-2043 | <a href="http://conrad.senate.gov/">http://conrad.senate.gov/</a>           |
| North Dakota   | Byron Dorgan       | 202-224-2551 | <a href="http://dorgan.senate.gov/">http://dorgan.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Nebraska       | Ben Nelson         | 202-224-6551 | <a href="http://bennelson.senate.gov/">http://bennelson.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Nebraska       | Mike Johanns       | 202-224-4224 | <a href="http://johanns.senate.gov/">http://johanns.senate.gov/</a>         |
| New Hampshire  | Judd Gregg         | 202-224-3324 | <a href="http://gregg.senate.gov/">http://gregg.senate.gov/</a>             |
| New Hampshire  | Jeanne Shaheen     | 202-224-2841 | <a href="http://shaheen.senate.gov/">http://shaheen.senate.gov/</a>         |
| New Jersey     | Frank Lautenberg   | 202-224-3224 | <a href="http://lautenberg.senate.gov/">http://lautenberg.senate.gov/</a>   |
| New Jersey     | Robert Menendez    | 202-224-4744 | <a href="http://menendez.senate.gov/">http://menendez.senate.gov/</a>       |
| New Mexico     | Jeff Bingaman      | 202-224-5521 | <a href="http://bingaman.senate.gov/">http://bingaman.senate.gov/</a>       |
| New Mexico     | Tom Udall          | 202-224-6621 | <a href="http://tomudall.senate.gov/">http://tomudall.senate.gov/</a>       |
| Nevada         | Harry Reid         | 202-224-3542 | <a href="http://reid.senate.gov/">http://reid.senate.gov/</a>               |
| Nevada         | John Ensign        | 202-224-6244 | <a href="http://ensign.senate.gov/">http://ensign.senate.gov/</a>           |
| New York       | Charles Schumer    | 202-224-6542 | <a href="http://schumer.senate.gov/">http://schumer.senate.gov/</a>         |
| New York       | Kirsten Gillibrand | 202-224-4451 | <a href="http://gillibrand.senate.gov/">http://gillibrand.senate.gov/</a>   |
| Ohio           | George Voinovich   | 202-224-3353 | <a href="http://voinovich.senate.gov/">http://voinovich.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Ohio           | Sherrrod Brown     | 202-224-2315 | <a href="http://brown.senate.gov/">http://brown.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Oklahoma       | James Inhofe       | 202-224-4721 | <a href="http://inhofe.senate.gov/">http://inhofe.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Oklahoma       | Tom Coburn         | 202-224-5754 | <a href="http://coburn.senate.gov/">http://coburn.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Oregon         | Ron Wyden          | 202-224-5244 | <a href="http://wyden.senate.gov/">http://wyden.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Oregon         | Jeff Merkley       | 202-224-3753 | <a href="http://merkley.senate.gov">http://merkley.senate.gov</a>           |
| Pennsylvania   | Arlen Specter      | 202-224-4254 | <a href="http://specter.senate.gov/">http://specter.senate.gov/</a>         |
| Pennsylvania   | Robert Casey       | 202-224-6324 | <a href="http://casey.senate.gov/">http://casey.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Rhode Island   | Jack Reed          | 202-224-4642 | <a href="http://reed.senate.gov/">http://reed.senate.gov/</a>               |
| Rhode Island   | Sheldon Whitehouse | 202-224-2921 | <a href="http://whitehouse.senate.gov/">http://whitehouse.senate.gov/</a>   |
| South Carolina | Lindsey Graham     | 202-224-5972 | <a href="http://lgraham.senate.gov/">http://lgraham.senate.gov/</a>         |
| South Carolina | James DeMint       | 202-224-6121 | <a href="http://demint.senate.gov/">http://demint.senate.gov/</a>           |
| South Dakota   | Tim Johnson        | 202-224-5842 | <a href="http://johnson.senate.gov/">http://johnson.senate.gov/</a>         |
| South Dakota   | John Thune         | 202-224-2321 | <a href="http://thune.senate.gov/">http://thune.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Tennessee      | Lamar Alexander    | 202-224-4944 | <a href="http://alexander.senate.gov/">http://alexander.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Tennessee      | Bob Corker         | 202-224-3344 | <a href="http://corker.senate.gov/">http://corker.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Texas          | Kay Hutchison      | 202-224-5922 | <a href="http://hutchison.senate.gov/">http://hutchison.senate.gov/</a>     |
| Texas          | John Cornyn        | 202-224-2934 | <a href="http://cornyn.senate.gov/">http://cornyn.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Utah           | Orrin Hatch        | 202-224-5251 | <a href="http://hatch.senate.gov/">http://hatch.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Utah           | Robert Bennett     | 202-224-5444 | <a href="http://bennett.senate.gov/">http://bennett.senate.gov/</a>         |
| Virginia       | James Webb         | 202-224-4024 | <a href="http://webb.senate.gov/">http://webb.senate.gov/</a>               |
| Virginia       | Mark Warner        | 202-224-2023 | <a href="http://warner.senate.gov/">http://warner.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Vermont        | Patrick Leahy      | 202-224-4242 | <a href="http://leahy.senate.gov/">http://leahy.senate.gov/</a>             |
| Vermont        | Bernie Sanders     | 202-224-5141 | <a href="http://sanders.senate.gov/">http://sanders.senate.gov/</a>         |
| Washington     | Patty Murray       | 202-224-2621 | <a href="http://murray.senate.gov/">http://murray.senate.gov/</a>           |
| Washington     | Maria Cantwell     | 202-224-3441 | <a href="http://cantwell.senate.gov/">http://cantwell.senate.gov/</a>       |
| Wisconsin      | Herb Kohl          | 202-224-5653 | <a href="http://kohl.senate.gov/">http://kohl.senate.gov/</a>               |
| Wisconsin      | Russell Feingold   | 202-224-5323 | <a href="http://feingold.senate.gov/">http://feingold.senate.gov/</a>       |
| West Virginia  | Robert Byrd        | 202-224-3954 | <a href="http://byrd.senate.gov/">http://byrd.senate.gov/</a>               |
| West Virginia  | John Rockefeller   | 202-224-6472 | <a href="http://rockefeller.senate.gov/">http://rockefeller.senate.gov/</a> |
| Wyoming        | Michael Enzi       | 202-224-3424 | <a href="http://enzi.senate.gov/">http://enzi.senate.gov/</a>               |
| Wyoming        | John Barrasso      | 202-224-6441 | <a href="http://barrasso.senate.gov/">http://barrasso.senate.gov/</a>       |

## HOW TO CONTACT YOUR SENATORS

**TELEPHONE:** You can directly dial your Senators office using the number shown for them above, or you can dial **1-800-828-0498** (this is a toll-free number) to be connected with a Capitol Switchboard Operator. Simply ask the Operator to connect you with your Senators Office.

**Time is crucial at this point, so a phone call is by far the best choice for contacting your Senators.**

**EMAIL:** Simply go to each of your two Senators websites shown above and find the Senators contact form. Fill in the required information, type your message and click the "Send" button.

**REGULAR MAIL:** Send a letter to your Senator at their LOCAL offices nearest you. You can find the addresses for local offices on the Senators' websites or by looking in your telephone book's government section. It is important that you send your letter to your Senators' local office since mail often takes months to reach a Senator's Washington, DC office due to increased security at the Capitol.

**EVERY EMAIL, TELEPHONE CALL AND LETTER MAKES A DIFFERENCE. YOUR SENATORS NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU ON THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE!**