



## **New Hope for Multiemployer Pension Legislation in 2021**

On Thursday, January 21, Congressmen **Bobby Scott (D-VA-03)** and **Richard Neal (D-MA-01)** introduced the **Emergency Pension Plan Relief Act (EPPRA)** in the House of Representatives. EPPRA was originally part of the HEROES Act, which was passed by House Democrats in May 2020, but was never taken up in the Republican-controlled Senate.

If passed and enacted into law, EPPRA would address the funding issues faced by the Central States Pension Fund and the more than 120 other multiemployer pension funds projected to become insolvent in the coming years.

This is a hopeful sign of progress toward a solution to the multiemployer pension crisis, which could be included in the upcoming stimulus package that is currently being negotiated in Congress. We will keep you updated as the legislative process moves forward.

You can also keep updated by visiting our website, [VoicesForPensionSecurity.com](https://VoicesForPensionSecurity.com).

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### **Your Calls are Making a Difference!**

One thing that hasn't changed between 2020 and 2021 is the value of phone calls to your Members of Congress. You can use the numbers below to get connected and tell them to make protecting your pension benefits a priority this year:

**Call Your U.S. Senator: (833) 738-0064**  
**Call Your U.S. Representative: (877) 311-7162**

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What to say when you call:

- Tell them your story: where you worked and for how long, where you live, how you survive on your pension.
- Tell them to pass relief for multiemployer pension funds and the essential workers covered by these plans in the upcoming stimulus package.
- If you served your country, thank you. Remind them that you are a veteran.
- Remind them that their decision on this issue will affect how you vote in future elections.



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