

TOPIC: NCCMP COMMENTS ON MULTIEMPLOYER PENSION RECAPITALIZATION AND REFORM PLAN

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: ON FRIDAY, NCCMP PROVIDED COMMENTS TO CHAIRMAN GRASSLEY AND CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER ON THEIR MULTIEMPLOYER PENSION RECAPITALIZATION AND REFORM PLAN WHICH WAS RELEASED ON NOVEMBER 20, 2019. NCCMP'S COMMENTS IDENTIFIED THE MOST SIGNIFICANT PROVISIONS OF THE PLAN THAT WOULD DRIVE EMPLOYERS AND ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS AWAY FROM THE MULTIEMPLOYER SYSTEM, WOULD BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE 85% OF MULTIEMPLOYER PLANS THAT ARE SUCCESSFULLY PROVIDING SECURE, RELIABLE LIFETIME INCOME TO THEIR PARTICIPANTS, AND THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE BIPARTISAN PENSION REFORM LEGISLATION THIS YEAR. NCCMP NOTED PARTICULAR CONCERN REGARDING THE LEVEL OF PBGC PREMIUMS, THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE DISCOUNT RATES USED TO VALUE PLAN LIABILITIES, THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO WITHDRAWAL LIABILITY RULES, THE PLAN GOVERNANCE PROVISIONS, THE PBGC GUARANTEED BENEFIT LEVEL, MPRA REFORMS, AND THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL OPTIONAL ALTERNATIVE PLAN STRUCTURES. NCCMP ALSO IDENTIFIED THE MULTIEMPLOYER SYSTEM'S ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND THE AMERICAN ECONOMY AS WELL AS THE LOST TAX REVENUE AND INCREASED SAFETY NET SPENDING THAT THEY WILL SEE IF CONGRESS DOES NOT PASS BIPARTISAN REFORM IN WHICH THEY MATERIALLY CONTRIBUTE FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO THE SOLUTION.

PURPOSE: INFORMATIONAL

CATEGORY: MULTIEMPLOYER PENSION REFORM

ISSUER: NCCMP

TARGET AUDIENCE: TRUSTEES OF AND PLAN ADVISORS TO MULTIEMPLOYER PENSION PLANS

FOR MORE NCCMP Letter to Chairman Grassley and Chairman Alexander

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