



## #DontDoubleMyRate Social Media Guide | ILLINOIS

### Need to Know: How A Stafford Increase Would Impact Your State


The Center for American Progress, Campus Progress, and the USAction Education Fund released new reports that detail what an increase in the interest rate on Stafford student loans would mean for several states.

If Congress doesn't act, the interest rate on these loans will double—from 3.4 percent to 6.8 percent—on July 1.

These reports paint a vivid picture of the impact an interest rate hike would have on young people, who are already dealing with a high unemployment rate, large amounts of student debt, and changes to education funding and college costs. Also included are testimonials from students and family members who depend on federal education loans.

Nationwide, 7.4 million student borrowers would be affected by the rate doubling.

Read the report: <http://cpro.gs/KhLOsz>



**In ILLINOIS, students will save **\$1,061** on average by keeping the Stafford interest rate steady.**

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Share this graphic on Facebook: <http://cpro.gs/KttUp3>

### Tweet @ Your Representatives

Here are some sample tweets that you can copy + paste or customize for any representative.

More than 365,000 Illinois students rely on #Stafford loans @SenatorKirk. Keep rates low!  
<http://cpro.gs/KhLOsz> #DontDoubleMyRate

Hey @SenatorKirk, avg IL student graduates with \$23k in debt. #DontDoubleMyRate <http://cpro.gs/KhLOsz> via @campusprogress

Below is a list of all congress members from Illinois, along with their Twitter handles and Facebook pages. Tweet at your representatives or post on their walls using our shareables and sample language we've provided, or feel free to use your own! If you have a personal story of how student debt impacts your life, **we'd love to hear it:** <http://cpro.gs/lqL4Dc>

**House:**

Bobby L Rush (D-1)	@RepBobbyRush	<a href="http://on.fb.me/Kn2jWM">http://on.fb.me/Kn2jWM</a>
Jesse L Jackson, JR (D-2)	@RepJJr	<a href="http://on.fb.me/JfuYgs">http://on.fb.me/JfuYgs</a>
Daniel Lipinski (D-3)	N/A	<a href="http://on.fb.me/IS6hDZ">http://on.fb.me/IS6hDZ</a>
Luis Gutierrez (D-4)	@LuisGutierrez	<a href="http://on.fb.me/Kn2265">http://on.fb.me/Kn2265</a>
Mike Quigley (D-5)	@RepMikeQuigley	<a href="http://on.fb.me/JC3IHF">http://on.fb.me/JC3IHF</a>
Peter J Roskam (R-6)	@ChiefDeputyWhip	<a href="http://on.fb.me/9moOYR">http://on.fb.me/9moOYR</a>
Danny K Davis (D-7)	@DannyKDavis	<a href="http://on.fb.me/JejTHY">http://on.fb.me/JejTHY</a>
Joe Walsh (R-8)	@RepJoeWalsh	<a href="http://on.fb.me/L3zJMt">http://on.fb.me/L3zJMt</a>
Jan Schakowsky (D-9)	@janschakowsky	<a href="http://on.fb.me/Jx2e1Q">http://on.fb.me/Jx2e1Q</a>
Robert Dold (R-10)	@RepDold	<a href="http://on.fb.me/J4Z9I3">http://on.fb.me/J4Z9I3</a>
Adam Kinzinger (R-11)	@RepKinzinger	<a href="http://on.fb.me/JcaNC4">http://on.fb.me/JcaNC4</a>
Jerry Costello (D-12)	@JerryCostello	<a href="http://on.fb.me/KH38sN">http://on.fb.me/KH38sN</a>
Judy Biggert (R-13)	@JudyBiggert	<a href="http://on.fb.me/JcaEP8">http://on.fb.me/JcaEP8</a>
Randy Hultgren (R-14)	@RepHultgren	<a href="http://on.fb.me/J5vqPx">http://on.fb.me/J5vqPx</a>
Timothy V. Johnson (R-15)	N/A	<a href="http://on.fb.me/J4YXbC">http://on.fb.me/J4YXbC</a>
Donald Manzullo (R-16)	@donmanzullo	<a href="http://on.fb.me/Jfslpp">http://on.fb.me/Jfslpp</a>
Bobby Schilling (R-17)	@RepSchilling	<a href="http://on.fb.me/KWT10v">http://on.fb.me/KWT10v</a>
Aaron Schock (R-18)	@repaaronschock	<a href="http://on.fb.me/Jx0ZzJ">http://on.fb.me/Jx0ZzJ</a>
John Shimkus (R-19)	@RepShimkus	<a href="http://on.fb.me/IUITFO">http://on.fb.me/IUITFO</a>

**Senate:**

Richard Durbin (D-IL)	@SenatorDurbin	<a href="http://on.fb.me/IWnH1I">http://on.fb.me/IWnH1I</a>
Mark Kirk (R-IL)	@SenatorKirk	<a href="http://cpro.gs/IRIAwW">http://cpro.gs/IRIAwW</a>

