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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/J1lfrZ>

A graphic featuring a light green silhouette of the state of Minnesota on the left. To the right of the map, the text reads: "In MINNESOTA, students will save \$969 on average by keeping the Stafford interest rate steady." Below this text is the hashtag "#DontDoubleMyRate" in blue. At the bottom right of the graphic is the Campus Progress logo and the website "campusprogress.org/date".

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Share this graphic on Facebook: <http://cpro.gs/JM0mVm>

Tweet @ Your Representatives

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

The cost of #highered will soar if #Stafford rates double, @AlFranken <http://cpro.gs/lv8DLg> via @campusprogress #DontDoubleMyRate

Hey @AmyKlobuchar, don't allow #Stafford rates to double this summer <http://cpro.gs/lv8DLg> #DontDoubleMyRate @campusprogress

Below is a list of all congress members from Minnesota with 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:

Timothy J. Walz (D-1)	@Tim_Walz	http://on.fb.me/KSkykc
John Kline (R-2)	@RepJohnKline	http://on.fb.me/eevcSb
Erik Paulsen (R-3)	@Erik_Paulsen	http://on.fb.me/MK51I2
Betty McCollum (D-4)	@BettyMcCollum04	http://on.fb.me/Kif9Ep
Keith Ellison (D-5)	@KeithEllison	http://on.fb.me/6soMkd
Michele Bachmann (R-6)	@MicheleBachmann	http://on.fb.me/flXBqX
Colin C. Peterson (D-7)	@Colin_Peterson	http://on.fb.me/MtLoBp
Chip Cravaack (R-8)	@RepChipCravaack	http://on.fb.me/m9qoK5

Senate:

Al Franken (D-MN)	@AlFranken	http://on.fb.me/dldfiU
Amy Klobuchar (D-MN)	@AmyKlobuchar	http://on.fb.me/tujg4M