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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/KSm0Dg>

A light green silhouette map of the state of New Jersey is positioned on the left side of the graphic.

In **NEW JERSEY**, students will save **\$982** on average
by keeping the Stafford interest rate steady.

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Share this graphic on Facebook: <http://cpro.gs/Jq7CWw>

Tweet @ Your Representatives

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

More than 140,000 NJ students rely on #Stafford loans, @FrankLautenberg #DontDoubleMyRate
<http://cpro.gs/KSm0Dg> via @campusprogress

Students in NJ graduate w/ an avg of \$23k in #studentdebt, @SenatorMendendez #DontDoubleMyRate
<http://cpro.gs/KSm0Dg> @campusprogress

Below is a list of all congress members from New Jersey 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:

Robert E. Andrews (D-1)	@RepAndrews	http://on.fb.me/LsKfHg
Frank LoBiondo (R-2)	@RepLoBiondo	http://on.fb.me/JA0B6F
Jon Runyan (R-3)	@RepJonRunyan	http://on.fb.me/KSnxZT
Chris Smith (R-4)	N/A	http://on.fb.me/KX1Qbw
Scott Garrett (D-5)	N/A	http://on.fb.me/Jq5HBa
Frank Pallone Jr. (R-6)	@FrankPallone	http://on.fb.me/Kis8G1
Steven Pascrell Jr. (D-7)	@PascrellForNJ	http://on.fb.me/JYG1pD
Steven Rothman (D-8)	@SteveRothmanNJ	http://on.fb.me/JA1wnz
Donald M. Payne (D-9)	@Payne10thNJ	http://on.fb.me/JA1KeE
Rodney Frelinghuysen (R-10)	@RodneyForNJ	http://on.fb.me/KGQgBA
Rush Holt (D-11)	@RushHolt	http://on.fb.me/k72PrH
Albio Sires (D-12)	@Rep_Albio_Sires	http://on.fb.me/gZFDST

Senate:

Frank R. Lautenberg (D-NJ)	@FrankLautenberg	http://on.fb.me/lPmfpA
Robert Menendez (D-NJ)	@SenatorMenendez	http://on.fb.me/a1Qfij