

SENATE RESOLUTION No. ____

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION

A SENATE RESOLUTION to urging the Indiana federal congressional delegation to support the Susan Muffley Act.

**BUCK, DONATO, BECKER,
RANDOLPH**

_____, read first time and referred to Committee on



SENATE RESOLUTION _____

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

1 A SENATE RESOLUTION to urging the Indiana federal
2 congressional delegation to support the Susan Muffley Act.

3 *Whereas, The Susan Muffley Act is bipartisan legislation*
4 *that seeks to restore the full vested monthly benefits for eligible*
5 *participants of certain pension plans that were sponsored by*
6 *Delphi Corporation and terminated as a result of General*
7 *Motors' bankruptcy in 2009;*

8 *Whereas, Delphi Corporation was the largest domestic*
9 *automobile parts manufacturer of its time and was responsible*
10 *for transformative innovation, such as the self-starting engine,*
11 *ring terminal, radio with mechanical push-button presets, and*
12 *safety power steering, with General Motors accounting for the*
13 *majority of their sales and profit;*

14 *Whereas, Many companies unwillingly filed for bankruptcy*
15 *as a result of the Great Recession, the biggest global economic*
16 *downturn since the Great Depression, which devastated world*
17 *financial markets as well as the banking and real estate*
18 *industries during the late 2000s;*

19 *Whereas, During this time, the United States Pension*



1 *Benefit Guaranty Corporation assumed responsibility for*
2 *terminated benefits nationwide, including those of General*
3 *Motors, but only paid affected individuals up to a statutory*
4 *maximum benefit which for many fell far below what they*
5 *would have received under previous benefit plans;*

6 *Whereas, Over 21,000 Delphi Corporation salaried*
7 *retirees, including more than 4,000 Hoosiers, experienced*
8 *unexpected and significant losses to their benefits;*

9 *Whereas, On July 12, 2023, Senators Sherrod Brown and*
10 *Mike Braun filed S.2277, now named after Susan Muffley of*
11 *Russiaville, Indiana, the spouse of a Delphi employee affected*
12 *by General Motors' bankruptcy who was inspired by her*
13 *family's inability to afford medical care and fought tirelessly as*
14 *a core leader of the Delphi Salaried Retirees Association for*
15 *the restoration of lost benefits nationwide until her passing in*
16 *2012; and*

17 *Whereas, Enactment of the Susan Muffley Act would*
18 *recognize the hardships experienced by Delphi Corporation*
19 *salaried retirees nationwide and rectify the financial losses*
20 *which have plagued them for over a decade: Therefore,*

21 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the*
22 *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

23 SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate urges the Indiana
24 federal congressional delegation to support the Susan Muffley
25 Act.

26 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed
27 to transmit copies of this Resolution to the Indiana federal
28 congressional delegation.

