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To amend title 39 of the United States Code to require the Postmaster General to be appointed by the President, subject to Senate confirmation, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. OSSOFF introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Postmaster General
5 Reform Act of 2024”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDMENTS.**

7 (a) BOARD OF GOVERNORS.—Section 202(c) of title
8 39, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

1 “(c)(1) The Postmaster General shall be a voting
2 member of the Board.

3 “(2) The pay and term of service of the Postmaster
4 General shall be fixed by the Governors.”.

5 (b) POSTMASTER GENERAL.—Section 203 of title 39,
6 United States Code, is amended—

7 (1) by striking “The chief” and inserting the
8 following:

9 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The chief”;

10 (2) in subsection (a), as so designated by para-
11 graph (1), by striking “appointed under section
12 202(c) of this title” and inserting “, who shall be
13 appointed by the President, by and with the advice
14 and consent of the Senate”; and

15 (3) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(b) TERMS AND TERM LIMITS.—The Postmaster
17 General shall serve for a term of 5 years, which may be
18 renewed, with the consent of the Senate, for a single addi-
19 tional 5-year term.”.

20 (c) PROCEDURES OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.—
21 Section 205(c)(1) of title 39, United States Code, is
22 amended by striking “in the appointment or removal of
23 the Postmaster General, and”.

24 (d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
25 this section shall take effect beginning with the first ap-

- 1 pointment of an individual to serve as the Postmaster
- 2 General on or after the date of enactment of this Act.

