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# S. 3594

To provide for the issuance of a Stamp Out Elder Abuse Semipostal Stamp.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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## A BILL

To provide for the issuance of a Stamp Out Elder Abuse Semipostal Stamp.

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 “Stamp Out Elder  
5 Abuse Act of 2018”.

6 **SEC. 2. STAMP OUT ELDER ABUSE SEMIPOSTAL STAMP.**

7 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section—

8 (1) the term “elder justice” has the meaning  
9 given that term in section 2011 of the Social Secu-  
10 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1397j);

1           (2) the term “elder abuse” has the meaning  
2           given that term in section 2 of the Elder Abuse Pre-  
3           vention and Prosecution Act (34 U.S.C. 21701);

4           (3) the term “Postal Service” means the United  
5           States Postal Service;

6           (4) the term “semipostal stamp” has the mean-  
7           ing given the term “semipostal” in section 416(a)(1)  
8           of title 39, United States Code; and

9           (5) the term “Stamp Out Elder Abuse  
10          Semipostal Stamp” means the semipostal stamp  
11          issued under subsection (b).

12          (b) ISSUANCE.—In order to afford a convenient way  
13          for members of the public to contribute to raising aware-  
14          ness of and combatting elder abuse and to funding for  
15          elder justice activities, the Postal Service shall issue a  
16          semipostal stamp in accordance with subsection (c).

17          (c) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—

18               (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in this  
19               subsection, the issuance and sale of, and the deter-  
20               mination of amounts becoming available from the  
21               sale of, the Stamp Out Elder Abuse Semipostal  
22               Stamp shall be governed by section 416 of title 39,  
23               United States Code, and regulations issued under  
24               that section.

1           (2) DURATION.—The Postal Service shall make  
2 available to the public the Stamp Out Elder Abuse  
3 Semipostal Stamp for a period of not less than 2  
4 years, beginning not later than 1 year after the date  
5 of enactment of this Act.

6           (3) DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS.—

7           (A) DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.—Half of  
8 the amounts becoming available from the sale  
9 of the Stamp Out Elder Abuse Semipostal  
10 Stamp shall be transferred to the Department  
11 of Justice, to remain available until expended,  
12 for the purposes of—

13                   (i) prevention of and education re-  
14 garding elder abuse;

15                   (ii) investigation, prosecution, and liti-  
16 gation expenses relating to elder abuse;

17                   (iii) data collection regarding elder  
18 abuse;

19                   (iv) elder abuse victim services; and

20                   (v) any other expense of the Depart-  
21 ment of Justice relating to elder abuse.

22           (B) ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY  
23 LIVING.—Half of the amounts becoming avail-  
24 able from the sale of the Stamp Out Elder  
25 Abuse Semipostal Stamp shall be transferred to

1 the Department of Health and Human Services,  
2 to remain available until expended, for the pur-  
3 poses of elder justice activities authorized under  
4 subtitle B of title XX of the Social Security Act  
5 (42 U.S.C. 1397j et seq.).

6 (C) ADMINISTRATION OF TRANSFERS.—

7 Transfers under this paragraph shall be made  
8 to the Department of Justice and the Depart-  
9 ment of Health and Human Services not less  
10 frequently than 2 times a year and under such  
11 other arrangements as the Postal Service shall  
12 by mutual agreement with the applicable agency  
13 establish in order to carry out the purposes of  
14 this Act.

15 (D) PROCEEDS NOT TO BE OFFSET.—In

16 accordance with section 416(d)(4) of title 39,  
17 United States Code, amounts becoming avail-  
18 able from the sale of the Stamp Out Elder  
19 Abuse Semipostal Stamp shall not be taken into  
20 account in any decision relating to the level of  
21 appropriations or other Federal funding to be  
22 furnished in any year to the Department of  
23 Justice or the Department of Health and  
24 Human Services.

1           (4) LIMITATION.—The Stamp Out Elder Abuse  
2 Semipostal Stamp shall not be subject to, or taken  
3 into account for purposes of applying, any limitation  
4 under section 416(e)(1)(C) of title 39, United States  
5 Code.

6           (5) PROMOTION.—The Department of Justice  
7 and the Department of Health and Human Services  
8 may use Federal funds to promote the sale of the  
9 Stamp Out Elder Abuse Semipostal Stamp, which  
10 may include the preparation and dissemination of re-  
11 ports, brochures, or other appropriate materials to  
12 be made available to the public that describe elder  
13 justice issues and the benefits of the sale of the  
14 Stamp Out Elder Abuse Semipostal Stamp.

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