2-8-1956

Statement on freight rates

Strom Thurmond

Follow this and additional works at: https://tigerprints.clemson.edu/strom

Materials in this collection may be protected by copyright law (Title 17, U.S. code). Use of these materials beyond the exceptions provided for in the Fair Use and Educational Use clauses of the U.S. Copyright Law may violate federal law.

For additional rights information, please contact Kirstin O'Keefe (kokeefe [at] clemson [dot] edu)

For additional information about the collections, please contact the Special Collections and Archives by phone at 864.656.3031 or via email at cuscl [at] clemson [dot] edu

Recommended Citation
Thurmond, Strom, 'Statement on freight rates' (1956). Strom Thurmond Collection, Mss100. 1393.
https://tigerprints.clemson.edu/strom/1393

For additional information about the collection, please contact the Special Collections and Archives by phone at 864.656.3031 or via email at cuscl [at] clemson [dot] edu

This Press Release is brought to you for free and open access by the Manuscript Collections at TigerPrints. It has been accepted for inclusion in Strom Thurmond Collection, Mss100 by an authorized administrator of TigerPrints. For more information, please contact kokeefe@clemson.edu.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 8--Senator Strom Thurmond (D-SC) today voiced his opposition to the proposed seven per cent freight rate increase being requested by the nation's railroads in a letter to Chairman Anthony F. Arpaia of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The South Carolina Democrat emphasized to Chairman Arpaia the effect such an increase would have on the price of commodities the farmers have to buy. He asked the Commission to give serious consideration to the impact such a sweeping increase would have on the depressed areas of our economy such as farm income.

The ICC is now studying the request and will hear oral arguments on the petition on February 20, 1956.

While he was Governor of South Carolina, Senator Thurmond served as chairman of a Southern Governors Conference committee which succeeded in its efforts to gain equal freight rates for Southern States.

-end-