

## **Key Senate Influencers**

**We need local businesses to contact the below list of key senate influencers.**

If you are a distributor in one of the below states, please write as per below. Additionally, please enlist representative retailers and restaurants in the state to do the same.

### **Steps:**

- 1: Call the office of your Senator (try their D.C. office first).
- 2: Tell them about your business, and that there is an urgent matter before the U.S. Trade Representative that could do serious damage to your business. Insist on being connected to a relevant staff member, or get the email of an appropriate staff member to send a letter.
- 3: Write a letter to the senator (on letterhead if possible), and email to their contact.
- 4: Send a copy of the letter to your importer/distributor, and to [winetariffs@gmail.com](mailto:winetariffs@gmail.com)

### **Message:**

Local businesses should write to their senators, speaking to the damage the current tariffs have caused, and the further negative impact of potential future tariffs. The message that every bottle hurts only 1 French/EU producer, but hurts 2-3 US companies that depend on the revenue from that wine has been effective. In states that don't allow distributors and/or retailers to sell products besides wine / spirits, they should make it clear that government regulation prevents them from developing new revenue streams, which makes them particularly exposed to the tariffs. This has been another strong message, particularly with Republicans. Individual anecdotes about honest concerns are of course truly powerful. Ask them to write the U.S. Trade Representative, and urge him to remove the current tariffs on EU wines, and remove wine from further consideration for retaliatory tariffs.

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**Martha McSally (AZ)**  
**404 Russell Senate Office Bldg.**  
**Washington, D.C. 20510**  
202-224-2235 D.C.  
602-952-2410 Phoenix  
520-670-6334 Tucson

**Continued...**

**Cory Gardner (CO)**  
**354 Russell Senate Office Bldg.**  
**Washington, D.C. 20510**  
202-224-5941 D.C.  
303-391-5777 Denver

**David Perdue (GA)**  
**455 Russell Senate Office Bldg.**  
**Washington, D.C. 20510**  
202-224-3521 D.C.  
404-949-0912 Atlanta

**Thom Tillis (NC)**  
**113 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.**  
**Washington, D.C. 20510**  
202-224-6342 D.C.  
704-509-9087 Charlotte

**Joni Ernest (IA)**  
**730 Hart Senate Office Bldg.**  
**Washington, D.C. 20510**  
202-224-3254 D.C.  
515-284-4575 Des Moines

**Susan Collins (ME) - Letter Written!**

**John Cornyn (TX)**  
**517 Hart Senate Office Bldg.**  
**Washington, D.C. 20510**  
202-224-2934 D.C.

Cornyn's office is very difficult to get through on the phone. He has 7 local offices listed on his website that might workable for TX businesses in said district.

<https://www.cornyn.senate.gov/>

The aide working on the issue is Andrew Cooper, I would reach out directly: [Andrew\\_Cooper@cornyn.senate.gov](mailto:Andrew_Cooper@cornyn.senate.gov)