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COVID-19 Legislative Update

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Legislation

Supplemental IV

Timeline/Process/Politics: While Congress has been focused on infrastructure, police reform, the FY21 NDAA, movement toward the next supplemental has stalled. However, over the weekend, **Senate Republican appropriators have begun to seriously consider what to include in the next package**. As the federal boost to unemployment insurance ends July 31, lawmakers will attempt to put something on the floor before August. It should not be forgotten that the most recent supplemental, which only focused on the Paycheck Protection Program and its funding, took multiple weeks to negotiate. August looms large.

Policy: While the Heroes Act will not be taken up by the Senate (as Sen. McConnell has indicated), it can serve as a marker of what the Senate will be responding to. Heroes Act text (as of 5/12/2020) [here](#). Section by section [here](#). One pager [here](#). State and Local one pager [here](#). NCAI's summary on tribal provisions [here](#). Manager's amendment [here](#). House Rules Committee report [here](#).

While we have yet to see what plan Senate Republicans will propose that threads the needle on liability protection, we've seen a bipartisan bill in the House on the issue from Reps. Garret Graves (R-LA) and Henry Cuellar (D-TX). However, Democrats have been disregarding that proposal and have looked to Rep. Lou Correa (D-CA) to take the lead or at least be involved in whatever compromise comes out on liability protection.

New Implementation Information and Guidance

- 6/27 – SBA released updated data on the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) and EIDL Advance programs. EIDL data [here](#). EIDL Advance data [here](#).
- 6/26 – The GAO released a [report](#) that found that the Small Business Administration processed over \$512 billion in guaranteed small business loans but isn't ready to address fraud risks and hasn't said how it plans to oversee the loans. The report focuses on the government's response to COVID-19 through legislation and included findings regarding the Paycheck Protection Program, Unemployment Insurance, economic impact payments, and others.
- 6/24 – Treasury and SBA released additional eligibility revisions to the Paycheck Protection Program in the form of an updated First Interim Final Rule. Updated Rule [here](#).
- 6/24 – HUD announced it is awarding \$962,160 in funding to HUD Fair Housing Assistance Program (FHAP) agencies in New York, Louisiana, Rhode Island, Iowa, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, California, Texas, Indiana, Florida, Nebraska, Hawaii, South Carolina, Maryland, Michigan, Connecticut, and New Jersey to support activities related to COVID-19. The awards to the nineteen organizations are part of \$1.5 million in Partnership and Special Enforcement Effort [funds](#) being provided to FHAP agencies through the CARES Act.

Members of Congress in Quarantine or Treatment (new additions in bold)

Tested Positive (0):

Currently Self-Quarantined (0):

Recovered (7): Sen. Rand Paul (R-KY), Rep. Joe Cunningham (D-SC), Rep. Ben McAdams (D-UT), Rep. Mario Diaz-Balart (R-FL), Rep. Mike Kelly (R-PA), Rep. Nydia Velazquez (D-NY), Rep. Neal Dunn (R-FL)

Completed Quarantine (40): Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX), Rep. Mark Meadows (R-NC), Sen. Lindsay Graham (R-SC), Rep. Don Beyer (D-VA), Rep. Sharice Davids (D-KS), Rep. Doug Collins (R-GA), Rep. Paul Gosar (R-AZ), Sen. Cory Gardner (R-CO), Sen. Rick Scott (R-FL), Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL), Rep. Jason Crow (D-CO), Rep. Julia Brownley (D-CA), Rep. Ben Ray Lujan (D-NM), Rep. Gwen Moore (D-WI), Rep. Stephanie Murphy (D-FL), Rep. John Yarmuth (D-KY), Rep. Adam Schiff (D-CA), Rep. Vincente Gonzalez (D-TX), Rep. Drew Ferguson (R-GA), Rep. David Schweikert (R-AZ), Rep. Anthony Brindisi (D-NY), Rep. David Price (D-NC), Rep. Ann Wagner (R-MO), Rep. Kathleen Rice (D-NY), Rep. Matt Cartwright (D-PA), Rep. Tom Cole (R-OK), Rep. Steve Scalise (R-LA), Rep. Frederica Wilson (D-FL), Rep. Andy Kim (D-NJ), Rep. Kendra Horn (D-OK), Sen. Mike Lee (R-UT), Sen. Mitt Romney (R-UT), Rep. Katie Porter (D-CA), Rep. Seth Moulton (D-MA), Rep. Lizzie Fletcher (D-TX), Rep. Josh Gottheimer (D-NJ), Rep. Ayanna Pressley (D-MA), Rep. Mikie Sherrill (D-NJ), Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN), **Rep. Tom Rice (R-SC)**

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